

Blogger Lips

Liked the blog story ("Lost in the Moment," April 29). The blog seems to be a new form of literary memoir these days, with Homeland Security now scouring through LiveJournal for...who knows. I also loved the cover, especially Barbarella's lips.

Logan Ford via e-mail

Disgusted

Re "Lost in the Moment: Barbarella's Blogs" (April 29).

This article is not worthy of being printed in the *Reader*.

Such a long, unsavory article does not belong in a family paper. It was picked up at a 24 Hour Fitness place of business, which is family oriented. All ages pick up this paper before leaving the building. In my estimation, this article belongs in a cheap paperback book, kept in a back room of an adult bookstore.

Not only foul language but blasphemous sentences (which I consider poisonous darts) aimed at God. Reference the "Update and Mortality" section. These words are offensive to most of the Christian community, the world over.

This type of writing, by a woman yet, is downright disgusting. Since alcoholic beverages have not accomplished the task, perhaps she needs her mind and mouth washed out with good, old-fashioned Fels Naptha soap, as of yesteryear.

The editor who edited this lengthy, tasteless article must have had his eyes and mind closed for lunch when he let this article be approved for printing. It shows that discretion was thrown to the four winds.

I had a higher opinion of the *Reader*, but now it is tainted and I no longer wish to pick it up and bring it into my home.

P.S. Name withheld because she might send her poisonous dart in my direction.

A.B. Santee

Squanders Evening

Many thanks to Joseph Mitchell for the highly useful article "Engineering a Miracle" (April 29), most of all for the clear and copious details regarding his WEEDS fire-prevention system.

Now if only the *Reader* were equally magnanimous and community-spirited enough to make the article available on its website.

Once again I'll be squandering an evening transcribing a *Reader* article to my own website since it is unavailable online.

G. Bird Downtown's Last Ungentrified Subdistrict

CORRECTION

In the April 15 "Sheep and Goats," the phone number for the El Camino Christian Fellowship was incorrect. It should have been 760-942-4900.

Amoral Trudy

Aunt Trudy: Your column advertises "manners, morals." What morals? In the April 29 Reader, you advise a woman to avoid telling her married sister's husband that his wife spends extensive recreational time with a male coworker. Though it looks like an affair, in this age of AIDS you tell "Frustrated Sister" to steer clear of informing the husband because (get this) the other man "seems like a combative guy" and in the coming muddy mess "you and your husband don't need to get yourselves splattered."

Again, I ask you, Aunt Trudy: What morals? Are you going to tell me that if you were in a marriage and your partner was actively betraying the marriage and probably risking you with VD, maybe AIDS, you shouldn't be informed? Isn't the Golden Rule a moral one? Moral choices are not about being afraid of some lowlife or of getting mud-splattered.

Please remove "morals" from your banner. You write well, so maybe you could advertise "Aunt Trudy's rationalizations to feel good about doing nothing in the face of evil."

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Good gravy With draconian staff cuts in the San Diego Unified School District, how much mad money could be floating around? Just two weeks ago, 616 jobs were axed and hours cut for



Donald Grave

were axed and hours cut for another 2000 workers. Before that, 11 librarians were slashed from the budget. But according to district sources, the austerity doesn't apply to some of city schools chief **Alan Bersin**'s pet projects. Take this week's scheduled visit by Dr. **Donald Graves**, a professor emeritus at the University of New Hamp-

shire, billed by Bersin aides as a literacy expert. The one-day tab: \$3500. For that, according to a memo from district reading honcho Mary Hopper, "Dr. Graves will provide 2 hours of professional development for the Principals in the Bass Learning Community that will [be] focusing on writing. Subsequent to that session, he will work with teachers, Peer Coaches, Early Literacy Teachers, and administrators at Central Elementary School." Hopper goes on to say "the opportunity to contract for the services of Dr. Grave[s] came about because he will be in San Diego speaking to the San Diego Council of Literary Professionals at the Mission Valley Marriott on May 4th. This is a unique opportunity because the work of Donald Graves is so tightly aligned to the reform work undertaken by the district over the past five years, particularly as it relates to literacy and language arts." Her memo asserts that one day of Graves is worth the high tariff because "his speaking presentations are witty, to the point, and packed with practical teaching techniques."

Starve a city, feed a developer

On March 24, San Diego city councilmembers **Donna Frye** and **Ralph Inzunza** sent a memo to then—city manager **Michael Uberuaga**, pointing out that the city's redevelopment arm, the Centre City Development Corporation, owed "a debt of approximately \$112 million in Community Development Block Grant funds to the City. [We] would request that the City require the repayment of \$25 million of these funds by June 1, 2004." The memo said the money, representing principal and interest on funds originally obtained by the city through

federal grants and then "lent" to CCDC to construct its vast downtown redevelopment empire, should be used for "Police Department fleet replacement" and "Public Safety Communications Project items." The grand total of the so-called unfunded police needs was put at \$133 million. But in an April 22 memo, deputy city manager **Bruce Herring** told Frye

and Inzunza that payback of the CCDC loans "is not recommended at this time." Why? Because, Herring went on to claim, the "loans" to CCDC were merely an accounting gimmick and "never intended to be repaid." Meanwhile, in a related move, **Hank Cunningham**, a city redevelopment staffer, wrote an April 13 memo to the council's Public Safety and Neighborhood Services Committee recommending changes in state redevelopment law to

allow property tax money collected downtown to be used to pay for police and fire needs rather than being strictly earmarked to subsidize private development such as the Padres baseball stadium, as is the case under current law. But the matter has vet to be docketed before the committee or the full council. despite an e-mail dated April 16 from committee chairman Brian Maienschein to civic watchdog **Mel Shapiro**, which said, "We're trying to get this docketed for the next PS&NS meeting. We're trying to move on this quickly. Have a nice weekend." The latest word is contained in an internal memo dated April 27 from city Special Projects Manager Libby Coalson to committee staffer John Rivera: "As we discussed previously given your busy agendas and the need for Council approval on something such as this, I'm communicating with [mayoral aide] Bill Baber about taking it directly to council. However, CCDC is vehemently opposed to it."

Demolition derby Last November, downtown antique dealer Barbara Winton mounted a valiant but ultimately unsuccessful battle to stop city redevelopers from tearing down a big chunk of the old Santa Fe Depot and replacing it with a boxy, metal-clad addition — labeled by some a "modernist mausoleum" — to house the San Diego Museum of Contemporary Art. The usual suspects, all members of San Diego's elite power structure, lined up in front of the city council to beat down Winton's argument that the new building would be "an ugly, plain, very modern building that would go next to one of our city's finest historical treasures. I think it's an abortion." Arrayed against her was the Union-Tribune, whose publisher David Copley is on the museum's board, along with board president Pauline Foster, the wealthy mother-inlaw of San Diego school superintendent Alan Bersin. After the council okayed the project, the historic structure was quickly torn down, leaving a gaping hole in the depot, which remains to this day. According to sources, back in November the museum really wasn't anywhere near ready to begin construction on the new building, but the city's redevelopment powers didn't want to take a chance that Winton and her supporters would carry their battle to the courts or enlist national preservation groups in their cause to preserve the 1915 depot's architectural integrity. So they ordered the demoli-



Santa Fe Depot: Mission style meets modern monstrosity

tion crews to move in on the old Mission-style structure as soon as possible. The city's downtown redevelopment agency now says the earliest construction can begin on the new museum is this July.

— Matt Potter

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Unethical, Immoral, And Unconscionable

By Don Bauder

he hogs are at the trough." On February 17, 2000, David Farley, chief financial officer of Peregrine Systems,

e-mailed those words to the company's attorney, Richard T. Nelson. Farley (now deceased) was perturbed that company insiders were dumping shares during a period in which they had been instructed not to do so.

But bail out they did. Between February 15 and February 18, 2000, Peregrine's then-chairman John Moores and four other officials dumped a staggering \$194 million worth of Peregrine stock. Moores, who sold \$177 million of the stock, eventually dumped \$487 million worth while the books were being cooked; he sold well over \$600 million — almost all he controlled — during the course of the company's tainted history. In early

2000, the insiders got out before announcement of an acquisition sent the shares on a downward spiral, as several in the company had feared.

New information from Peregrine's own records now makes it clear that Padres majority owner Moores and his fellow Peregrine boardmembers and officers were repeatedly told that the company was in deep trouble at the very time it was boasting of amazing success. Moores and other boardmembers approved press releases and signed official financial reports presenting information they knew — or were reckless in not knowing was false, according to this new information detailed in investor lawsuits.

Moreover, Moores and his board colleagues had been informed that the company's accounting was highly suspect. Eventually, fraudulent accounting was the cancer that led to the company's collapse and bankruptcy. To date, three former executives have pleaded guilty to criminal charges. After the crash, the company admitted that sales had been overstated by a staggering 38 percent. Peregrine didn't just count chickens before they were hatched; it counted chickens before it had a fecund

The Department of Justice and the Securities and Exchange Commission are still probing the fraud. As an outgrowth of Peregrine's bankruptcy, two groups of plaintiffs got access to documents that the company had submitted to the two federal agencies as well as a congressional committee.

One of those cases is in continued on page 4

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Troubled Teen Soaks Hospital

By Joe Deegan

wo years ago Mary Schenk received notification that her daughter Donna was self-mutilating. (Family members' names

have been changed to protect the child's privacy.) "The school nurse called," says Schenk, "and it was the day Donna started doing it. So we immediately got her in to see a Kaiser psychiatrist who put her on depression medications. And it seemed to help at the time."

But two months ago, after dealing with at least six running the risk of her never speaking to you again.' But there are financial reasons. And that's horrible to say. It tears me up every time I think of it. My husband and I have been thinking about this independently, and it came to a head last week. He said, 'What's bothering me is all the bills we have.'

the law started after her mother contacted the Kaiser psychiatrist a second time in September 2002. Says Mary Schenk, "I called because Donna went out of control. She was cutting again; she was threatening to kill herself. The lady at Kaiser could hear her over the phone yelling and screaming, and she said, 'Ms. Schenk, I need you to call 911 and place her as a 5150.' " (California Penal Code section 5150 stipulates that "law enforcement take into custody, for 72hour observation at an appropriate facility, a mentally disturbed person who is a danger to self or others.")

"When the police came," Schenk goes on, "Donna got up into the officer's face. He

Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital for 72-hour observation. With several hours of the observation still to go, the Schenks went to visit the hospital to consult about their daughter's subsequent placement.

"So we were there when the incident happened, when she set off the sprinklers," says Schenk. "Donna was on the third floor. We were downstairs waiting to see the social worker. Pretty soon we were seeing water dripping from the light fixtures. I know it sounds funny. But all of a sudden, you saw people with trashcans trying to catch the water. This is the first floor. And they didn't know where the shut-off valve was. I she get hold of this? 'Well, we can't watch them all the

Roger Schenk has worked for years in the construction industry, and after doing some research into building codes, he maintains that a mental hospital is required to use "tamper-proof" sprinklers in its ceilings. When he looked at the sprinklers that Sharp Mesa Vista uses, he saw a less-expensive variety known as "tamper-resistant" sprinklers. "What they did," he says, "is converted a regular hospital ward into a mental ward without doing the required modifications. In my estimate, someone got paid to do this crap under the table."

Michael Coronado, who

to her and her husband outside of court that the hospital was probably negligent in having the sprinkler system they had. But when she asked him whether he could use that to help in her daughter's defense, she claims that he replied, "She did it, didn't she?" Gunner did not return a phone call about the sprinkler-system issue, a fact that may stem from the confidentiality requirements of all juvenile-court cases and child-protection interventions. These requirements, though understandable, make it difficult to understand Donna Schenk's case. The public is not permitted to attend court proceedings for juveniles and, unlike court records for adult crim-



Mary Schenk

institutions and agencies in and outside of San Diego County, Schenk faced a cruel prospect. "It's sad, and I'm going to cry now," she said then, "because we're to the point where we may sign her off to the state. And that's something I don't want to have to do. I love my daughter. In fact, today's her birthday. She turned 17 today."

Schenk continued, "The probation officer would only say, 'You know you're

The Office of Revenue and Recovery, a government collection agency, took \$800 a month from Roger Schenk's monthly checks to pay Juvenile Hall, Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital, and California Life Center in Hemet, where the couple's daughter currently resides. All costs have stemmed from a felony vandalism conviction against Donna in juvenile court.

Donna's troubles with

cuffed her and placed her into the back of the patrol car. Then I'm hearing over his radio that county mental hospital doesn't want her because she belongs to Kaiser. And the woman was saying, 'Why doesn't the mother take her?' Me take her in the condition she's in? You're going to be scraping me off the freeway."

The police eventually took Donna into Kaiser, which consigned her to

think they should have known, because the water ran for 15 or 20 minutes."

Schenk says that according to charges brought by the district attorney's office against Donna, she and another girl, while standing on a bed in their room, used a three-inch flexible screw to break into the fire-protection sprinklers in the ceiling. "Being a self-mutilator, [the hospital is] supposed to be watching this girl. How did is Sharp Mesa Vista's supervisor of plant operations, says that the hospital uses an institutional variety of sprinkler head. They can withstand 50 pounds of pressure, he says.

Roy Gunner is the attorney from the alternative public defenders office whom juvenile court assigned to defend Donna Schenk after she was charged with felony vandalism. Mary Schenk maintains that Gunner admitted

inal cases, those of juveniles are classified for viewing only by family members and appropriate attorneys (except in serious cases such as murder). Family members are forbidden even to have their own copies of a case's court \\ \sigma_0^{\text{c}}. records.

As a result, the Schenks, although they attended court hearings, are unsure how all the decisions affecting their daughter were

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U.S. district court. The other suit was filed in superior court by the litigation trustee appointed by the bankruptcy court. That second suit was moved to fed-

eral court, but the litigation trustee, Robert C. Friese of San Francisco, wants it back in state court.

The lead lawyer on the first suit is Solomon B. Cera of San Francisco. On November 21 of last year, U.S. district court judge Napoleon A. Jones Jr. threw out most of the fraud charges but left room for the suit to be amended. The second time around, Cera and his fellow attorneys had Peregrine records at their

disposal. "Before, we were painting on a blank slate. We did not have these records, which are critically important," says Cera. Friese also has the records.

But Peregrine managed to cover many of its tracks. It purchased software to make e-mail messages selfdestruct. Minutes of board meetings were doctored or "cleansed of potentially damaging information," says the federal suit. "The

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formally approved minutes are bare bones and uniformly unenlightening as to what transpired at board meetings." Moores and his close associate and thenboardmember Charles E. Noell III communicated by wireless handheld devices that were "essentially impossible to trace or reproduce," although such security devices are common, insists John Quinn, Moores's lawver

"Peregrine represents one of the most egregious financial frauds ever committed," says the federal suit filed by Cera, noting that both senior management and all directors "were complicit in the company's accounting fraud." Both suits stress how insiders were unloading their shares massively, while knowing — as internal documents reveal that the company was ailing, and its accounting was extremely questionable.

As both suits emphasize, the Peregrine board was told of the company's relentless woes through quarterly "review and outlook" reports from Stephen P. Gardner, former chief executive. In various reports, Gardner lamented that quarters were "tough," sales productivity was abysmal, North American business was a "disaster," and because of suspected management inadequacy, a crisis lurked.

Peregrine's auditor was the infamous Arthur Andersen, which later was effectively closed down by the federal government after helping to cook the books for Waste Management, Sunbeam, Enron, Qwest, and WorldCom, among others. Andersen, notorious for its lax standards, put Peregrine on the list of its 20 riskiest clients. Gardner warned the board that Andersen was "uncomfortable" with Peregrine's accounting. Why was Andersen un-

comfortable? In April of 1999, the company held a meeting at La Costa, attended by Moores and other directors. Farley told the board that, to meet Wall Street's expectations, the company was adopting the

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"preferred" method. Peregrine would ring up a sale when it delivered software to a distributor — even if the distributor had no commitment to sell the product to an end user. But shareholders and the public didn't know about this extremely dubious sell-in method.

Andersen said it would be uncomfortable if more than 25 percent of sales were to distributors, not end users. The figure hit 52 percent and normally floated close to 40 percent. Later, Andersen suggested the sellin method be changed. Also, Peregrine management and boardmembers, including Moores, were warned that company accounting violated generally accepted accounting principles. Quinn, however, ripostes that Andersen approved quarterly statements.

In violation of soundmanagement precepts, the audit committee did not keep minutes (or said it didn't), and that was one factor that "permitted the pervasive accounting fraud to go forward," says the Cera suit.

Gardner warned the board that "a large amount of inventory" was piling up at distributors and had to be sold, particularly since direct sales to end users were at "a very low level." Indeed, one quarter he lamented that the "breadand-butter business went to hell," and the productivity of salespeople selling directly to end users was "at a ridiculously low level."

Such red flags of phony accounting abounded. Gardner told the board that the company was "borrowing from the future to make the present happen" and granting "extraordinary terms" to buyers so the company could please Wall Street with supposedly billowing sales. Later, it turned out the company was keeping the books open long after quarters closed and even bribing a distributor with a sack of money to commit to buying software.

In October of 2001, a sales executive sent a stinging e-mail to Gardner, say-

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ing the company was booking revenue from noncontracts. "Where's the commercial substance to these so-called 'contracts?' " he demanded to know. Gardner passed the memo to Moores, who gave a curious, disjointed response: "I can't figure out why [sic] the hell is complaining about." It was deliberately reckless conduct, according to the suit, but Quinn says the statement shows Moores did not understand what was going on. The whistleblower was fired and then e-mailed Moores and others, saying that the booking of phantom sales was "unethical, immoral, and unconscionable."

At the same time, Moores knew the company was critically short of cash, according to the Cera suit, and even remarked, "We're the largest company in the world that lives hand-to-mouth."

But both suits emphasize that the company did not publicly disclose such accounting irregularities and financial woes, and insiders went on merrily dumping their shares. Quinn, however, says the charges won't stick, partly because the plaintiffs are "selectively quoting" from the Gardner reports.

The defense claims that Moores was an outside director. But Peregrine records show that an office of the chairman, including Moores, called corporate signals, and one of the company's own presentations identified Moores as a member of the senior management team. Moores absolutely controlled the company, says the federal suit — a charge denied by Quinn.

When Judge Jones rejected most of the charges in the federal suit last November, he wanted more specificity and claimed the evidence did not show conclusively that the defendants knew that revenue was improperly recognized. I have read 400 pages of these complaints, and I can't see how any judge could reach either of those conclusions this time around. A jury must pass judgment on these very detailed charges. Says Cera, "There is a very, very stringent standard, and our complaint is now sufficient to meet it." ■

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Troubled teen

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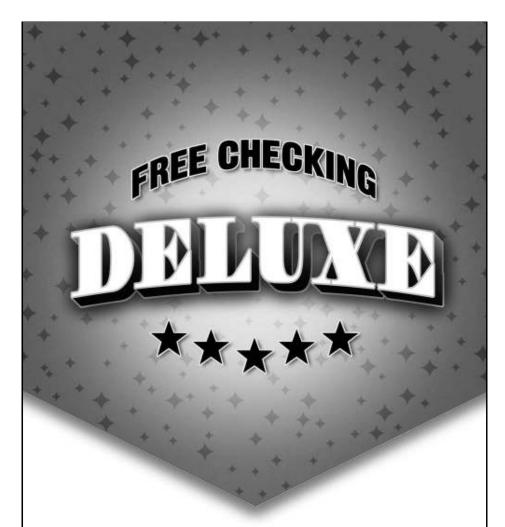
made. Mary Schenk believes that her daughter did not have a trial, though juvenile court media relations representative Daryl Acosta says that she had to have one to be convicted of felony vandalism. A juvenile trial does not have a jury; the judge solely determines guilt and punishment.

Donna Schenk spent nine days at Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital. Then the juvenileprobation department tried to set up a home-detention program for her. "But she decided to go off on me in front of the home-detention officer," says her mother, "and they immediately grabbed her and put her into juvenile hall," where she spent a little more than two months. "They said that she had the shortest home detention in history. So we giggle and laugh. We have to have some sense of humor about this, or I would be nuts."

The roots of Donna's problems go back to two troublesome conditions of her childhood, protruding ears and a lycoma, or fatty tumor, on her spine. About the lycoma, according to Mary Schenk, "The doctors said, 'Oh, it's going to go away.' Well, it never did. It kept getting bigger. As she grew, it grew, and the hunchback of Notre Dame and the Dumbo-fly-home ears became a problem at school. So, when she was in the sixth grade, we did the ostoplasty, or plastic surgery, on the ears to help with her self-confidence. It worked. She wasn't coming home like this," says Schenk, hunching over. "She would stand up straighter."

The Schenks also had Donna's lycoma removed the following year because a doctor worried that it might cause scoliosis. Things seemed to be looking up for Donna then, but her grades in school were so bad that her parents decided to hold her back a year. "And maybe that was the wrong decision to make," says Mary Schenk. Schenk began to notice that her daughter was "hanging out with the wrong crowd." Eventually Donna, now an early teen, began taking

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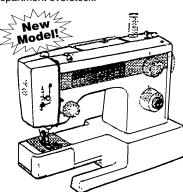
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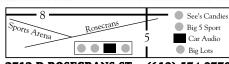
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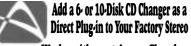


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Troubled teen

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drugs. Mrs. Schenk blamed it on the influence of a woman in the family's Skyline neighborhood. She called Child Protective Services on the woman, who had five children of her own. Eventually the woman had all but her youngest child taken from her, but not without, Schenk believes, retaliating on her informant.

Since tips are made anonymously, it is difficult to say how many, if any, of several visits to the Schenks' household by Child Protective Services were instigated by the woman. They all concerned Donna's treatment in the family. But the agency wrote up one charge of "sexual abuse of child" by Donna's father as a "vindictive call"; a "general neglect" call as "inconclusive"; and a "physical abuse" charge against Donna's father as "evaluated out." A phone call to Child Protective Services, whose workers cannot be quoted, revealed that "evaluated out" means unfounded or a false report.

As part of her involvement in the legal-detention system, Donna Schenk received a complete psychiatric evaluation at the behest of the juvenile-probation department, after which the agency sent her for treatment to the California Family Life Center in Hemet. There she is currently receiving therapy in a group setting, along with other disturbed teens.

Donna's psychiatric evaluation lists the following conditions: chronic depression, amphetamine dependence, conduct disorder, marijuana dependence, posttraumatic stress disorder (chronic), and major de-

pressive disorder. She has remained on antidepressants, and the facility in Hemet has prescribed 100 mg of Seroquel to "help her with her explosive nature," according to her mother. In larger doses the drug is used to help paranoid schizophrenics.

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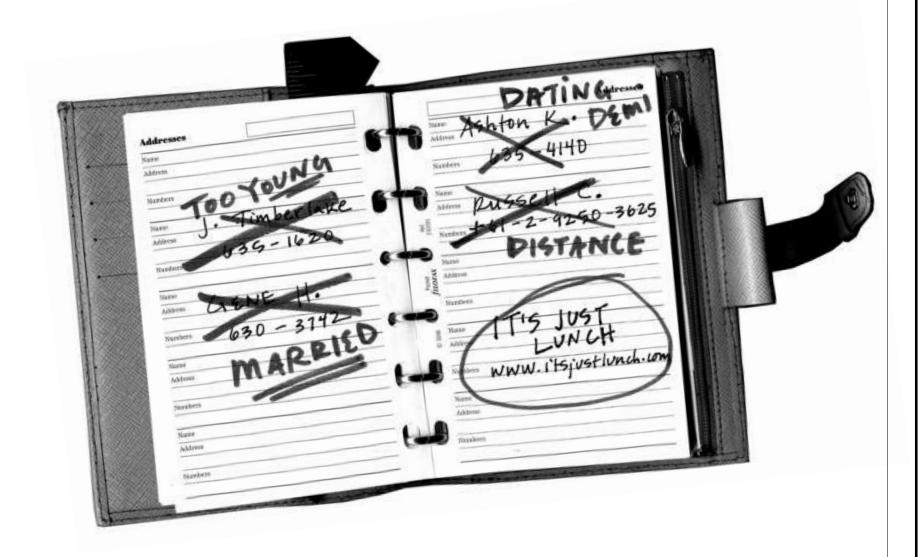
Because of the number of child-protection referrals mentioned in the probation officer's report, the psychiatric evaluation also makes a judgment that her parents may have initiated Donna's hostility. But since all the referrals were deemed inconclusive, Mary Schenk finds this unfair, especially since the evaluations were the reason Donna was taken from her. Schenk says, "When I talked to the probation officer about that, she said, 'We don't look to see what the outcome is, we look to see how many calls were made."

Recently, however, the Schenks have been thinking more positively about getting their daughter back. After a hand-wringing session, a new therapist working with Donna at the California Family Life Center suggested to the family that they stop "beating themselves up so much." And she suggested that they get in contact with the Parenting Project sponsored by the San Diego city attorney's office. The organization tries to help parents learn how to deal effectively with difficult teenagers.

Mary and Roger are still struggling. After an emergency appendectomy and following several weeks' disability, Roger was laid off from his job with a heating and air-conditioning company. Still, they are no longer talking of signing Donna off to the state for financial reasons. Revenue and Recovery has agreed to delay the family's monthly payments for a year. ■



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tion by Rick Gear,

How come motorcycles can be as loud as they want, rattling windows and setting off car alarms? If my car was that loud, I couldn't go a block. Is it because all of the powers that be are afraid of the Hell's Angels?

— Just Forgot My Name, the web

Nowhere does it say that ear-splitting, gut-rumbling, windshield-breaking motorcycle noise is legal. By federal law the level of exhaust noise of a new mc must not be over 80 decibels. When they're ridden out of the showroom, they are street legal. And for the most part, the average motorcycle stud or studette leaves it that way. The gawd-awful racket comes from the aftermarket exhausts put on by some renegades to replace the manufacturer's polite pipes. The standard excuse for all the noise is that it's necessary for rider safety on the road we gotta be loud so people know we're there. Which is questionable, of course, since the sound is loudest beside and behind the bike, not in front of it. But the "notice me" part of it is true. A particularly snotty member of the Alice consortium is more than happy to admit that loud pipes sound mean and bad and irritate everybody, and that's the effect certain riders want to achieve. Law enforcement claims they do enforce the law, though proof is tricky, but speeding causes more road deaths than noise, so...

Hey, Matt!!

At the top of the Coronado bridge are the (in)famous "Need Help?" signs with a phone number for counseling. Why aren't there any phones up there? These signs have been up way before everyone carried cell phones. Do they actually expect someone in that fragile of a state to go up there, see the signs, write down the number, and then come down to sea level and

According to the county mental-health folks, if it were their choice, there would be phones all over the bridge, the second most-jumped-off after the Golden Gate. There is a phone at the Coronado end, connected directly to counselors, so at least no one in crisis has to remember to bring a pencil and paper. But the traffic-safety powers that be shudder at the thought of ordinary non-crisis people parking on the bridge and hopping out to call AAA. Because the bridge was designed as a landmark piece of scenery, not a traffic engineer's dream, there are no emergency lanes and no room for anybody to do anything except keep driving.

Hev. Matt:

My husband thinks I'm wacko for this. We recently had a ceiling fan installed in our bedroom. I've noticed that, as I lie in bed, staring at the blades spinning round and round and round, my eyes start to glaze over, salivary glands get to work on drool, and suddenly it looks as if the blades start turning the other way for a few seconds. I also remember this same optical phenomenon happening with airplane propellers at an air show I attended as a kid. My husband says this can only happen on film, since whatever is spinning is doing it faster than the 24 frames a second the film captures. Is this like those crappy 3-D hidden picture things where some people see it and some don't, or should I contact an optometrist?

No, no, Kate, you should contact Matthew Alice. We'll usher you right into the doctor's office. No bad magazines, no waiting. This situation requires an emergency fact transplant. Just lie back, stay calm, stare at the big ceiling fan, and don't listen to your husband. The so-called wagon-wheel illusion is visible under normal light conditions and without the aid of a movie camera. We're assuming here that you and Mr. Kate haven't installed strobes in the bedroom...or fluorescent lights, for that matter. If so, it's the flicker from those sources that's causing the illusion. But if you have ordinary dull-normal incandescents, we have some science here to back you up.

About ten years ago, a neurobiologist at Duke took reports of the wagon-wheel illusion under "normal" light seriously enough to actually do some research. He rigged up officiallooking spinning experiment-type stuff, had 12 average, unsuspecting folk stare at it, and 11 of them (and the experimenters) reported seeing exactly what you see when you zone out under the bedroom fan. The illusion appeared suddenly, lasted a few seconds, then went away. Most people continued to see the alternating spin for quite a while. And the apparent backward movement looked faster than the forward movement. The Duke research was another bit of data to support the idea that we do not process visual information in a continuous stream but in "snapshots," like a strip of movie film. So the next time Mr. Kate calls you wacko, get him to stare at the fan...stare at the fan...stare at the fan.

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Derby Day

ife has come to this: it is a springtime Saturday afternoon, and I am sitting on a purple chair sipping tap water out of a glass that has the names of all the horses who have ever won the Kentucky Derby etched on its surface. Said glass, self, and chair are located in the living room of Gary Gibbons. As you might have guessed, Gibbons is a fan of thoroughbred horse racing.

Saying that, I have observed that he never goes to the track (which, by the way, is located within walking distance of his house) and does not wager on - to trot out that gentle, bygone phrase — the ponies, two activities that seem essential to horse-racing fandom. I should note that their absence does not seem to diminish his pleasure in the sport. Gibbons follows horse racing by way of TV, Internet, magazines, newspapers, and frequent telephone conversations.

Maybe it was a childhood blow to his head. He once told me that, as a nipper, his favorite Christmas gift was a Whitman Kentucky Derby board game. One spun an arrow and, in due time, it would stop on a pictorial representation of Whirlaway, Citation, Twenty Grand, Seabiscuit, or Gallant Fox. The horse that the arrow landed on is allowed to move up one space toward the finish line. Gibbons never forgot that game, the magic of it; decades later he made a sweet, child's smile when describing it to me.

I have zero interest in horse racing or becoming involved with horses, although I have evolved to the point where I do not necessarily despise those people who do. My strained relationship with horses is due to a teenage blow to my butt. This injury came about as a result of mixing youth, tequila, moonlight, Rosarito Beach, and a galloping horse. This complicated combination resulted in teenage butt and horse's back falling out of synch, which led to tragic loss of togetherness and subsequent casting off of teenage personhood from horse's back onto a surprisingly hard Mexican beach.

I have had a wary relationship with Equus caballus since that night. Indeed, I have been astride a steed only once since that horse induced butt injury, and the experience resulted in another injury, this time producing a large welt on my scrotum.

It happened this way. Santa Fe Jan and I were hitchhiking from Palmer, Alaska, over to Tonsina on the way to Chitna to do a bit of salmon dip-netting. It was late July, full-on summer, and we were stuck at the Eureka Roadhouse. Five hours standing with thumbs out. Hot. Sweaty. All the mosquitoes in the universe had been set loose upon us.

Finally, toward dinnertime, an ancient, rusted Chevy pickup truck pulled over. Inside were a man and a woman; both appeared to be in their late 30s. The man had a bushy black beard; the woman sported long, yellowblond hair tied in a bun. Both wore mudcaked jeans and well-worn workshirts.

We got a good ride from them, all the way to Tonsina and then down the Edgerton Highway. It was coming on to 8:00 p.m., and the sun was shining as bright as it had at noonday, but we were missed-two-meals hungry, so when the truck stopped at the entrance of an abandoned logging road, we hopped out, eager to make a fire and commence food preparation. The man and woman got out of the cab and began to talk to us, often at the same time, about their trip, about how they met, about where they came from. It seemed as if they'd been saving up their words for months. They invited us to their cabin for dinner and to spend the night.

They were a likeable couple — a bit desperate, a bit strange — but I've always been partial to exotic personalities, and they were obviously in need of company. I looked over to Jan, she made a slight nod.

The man said he parked his rig a little ways up the logging trail. We climbed back into the truck bed and bounced around like rubber balls as the truck lurched forward over the muddy, narrow, rutted, dusty dirt road. And on. And on. And on. The man drove, I believe the term is, for...fucking...ever.

Finally, miles into the primordial forest, the truck stopped. Everybody got out. The man bid us walk behind him into the woods. I did not sense the presence of danger as much as an overwhelming death-grip certainty that this would never end. Twenty minutes later we arrived at a clearing in which somebody had built an honest-to-buckaroo corral, now populated by a half-dozen horses.

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Snacks ***

Architecture.....★★

Liturgy★★★

content.....

Sermon

Music

Poor to satisfactory

Good

Excellent....

Very good

Extraordinary ...

Denomination: Disciples of Christ Address: 4210 Massachusetts Ave., La Mesa, 619-463-9909

Year founded: 1947

Pastor: Reverend Jack Harris **Congregation:** 130 members **Staff:** 1 full-time, 4 part-time Annual budget: \$126,000 Weekly giving: \$2400 Sunday school enrollment: 30

Singles program: no

Diversity: white, African-American, Hispanic Dress: casual

Services: Sunday worship, 10:30 a.m.

"Like most churches, our building tells a story. What you're standing in was supposed to be a basement.'

Last Sunday morning, Jerry, a longtime member of Vista La Mesa Christian Church, greeted me at the front door, shook my hand,

and led me into the long, wide nave illuminated by three bay windows in its northern wall.

"We were a thriving church in the late 1950s. By the early 1960s, we had over 300 members and were growing so fast that we decided we needed to build a bigger church. We got this, the basement, finished and were ready to begin on the second floor when the problems started. They really tore the church apart. About half the congregation left. We didn't have enough money to complete the second floor. It was never finished. We put a roof over it. There's just a storage room up there now.

"Problems?" I said. "Oh, you know," Jerry said. "It was the early 1960s. Political problems. At that time, a lot of churches had those problems. But we made the best of it. Everything you see here

was designed and made by church members, some of whom are dead now."

Behind the large oak communion table, two massive panels done in an abstract design of oak and gold paint, hide the baptistery. Sleek oak encases the podium, the organ.

I said that the time and effort must have been considerable.

Well, we love our church," he said.

I wanted to know more about the church's political problems, but Reverend Jack Harris, La Mesa Vista's clean-cut senior pastor, appeared before the communion table. The pianist began the morning's prelude. While many mainline churches now prefer casual services, La Mesa Vista, which belongs to the Disciples of Christ, maintains a 28-step liturgy that includes candle lighting, eight congregational hymns, and what they call "Celebration of the Promise," or Communion. Last Sunday, the hymns included standards like "Down by the Riverside" and "Standing in the Need of Prayer," which I'd never heard sung in the

more than 200 places of worship I've so far visited. More interesting was that "Down by the Riverside" had most of the 90 or so people present clapping and swaying. Clapping and swaying are not, as a rule, folkways of mainline Protestants.

Reverend Harris had entitled his sermon "Hearing, the Voice," and for 30 minutes he explained how we might have a more direct experience of God.

"Back in 1968 when I was a high school senior, I was walking my beagle through the orange groves of Whittier when I heard a voice within me say that I should enter the ministry. God does speak to us. Those of us who are willing to have faith can hear Him.

"But how many of us ever make time to hear His voice? How often do we turn off the radio, the television, the cell phone? How many of us actually make a quiet time for realizing that God might be trying to get through

to us? God speaks in a small, still voice. In order to hear it, we have to quiet ourselves. We have to pay attention.

"When you make that effort and when you start hearing that voice, something remarkable happens. Hearing that voice makes you want to change. Not only do you want to change, you come into an understanding of how God will take your weary soul and make it new each

After the service, people gathered in the social hall for coffee, orange juice, and a dozen kinds of donuts. These folks made a point of introducing themselves to me. When a young man learned I was waiting to speak with Reverend Harris, he nabbed the busy pastor for me.

"It was in 1962, I believe," Reverend Harris said when I asked about the political problems to which Jerry alluded. "The big issue

was integration. Some sort of law was being passed to allow people of color to move into La Mesa. You have to understand, this is a mainline church, but it had some very conservative members back then. I guess that the pastor actually preached from the pulpit on behalf of the law. About half the congregation was outraged and left.

'The people who remained were of course very loyal to this church. We have members who are theologically and politically very conservative, and we have members who are very liberal. We have members who struggle financially, and members who make seven-figure incomes. What's special about them is that they all have the gift of hospitality. That's this church's greatest gift. They love and accept each other despite their differences and they're very accepting of newcomers and outsiders. I can't take credit for it. I've been here for only 14 months. They had the gift of hospitality when I got here."

— Abe Opincar



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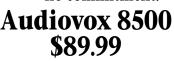
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Dear Aunt Trudy,

I'm 43 years old and have no children. I recently got married in Las Vegas (basically on a whim). My husband has been married four times previous to our marriage. So I am his fifth wife. He is 55 years old and has two grown daughters. My question to you is this. We don't have much in common except sex. I'm very outgoing. He's not. We live in a manner that I am not used to. I am not at all happy. Should I try to keep this together, or should I leave and try to find happiness somewhere else?

SAD AND CONFUSED IN SPRING VALLEY

Dear Sad and Confused,

From the sketchy information you've provided, it sounds like you rushed into marriage without thinking about what it means. You never mention love in your letter, or what your feelings, if any, are for this man. I don't think this is a good sign. Is this someone whom you respect, adore, think the world of, and want to spend the rest of your life with, or just a guy you wanted to have a fling with and now that the affair has run its course, you're ready to move on? These are issues to think about before tying the knot, but that's water under the bridge for you at this point. I hope you're a gal who learns from her mistakes. Marriage is not a compact to be entered into lightly. Your new husband seems to have a shaky track record in this area, this being his fifth try. If you feel the relationship is worth salvaging, that you really want to try to make it work, then give it your best shot. Talk to your mate, let him know you're miserable, and try to work things out so you're more satisfied. You could try marriage counseling if you're committed to making an effort to save this sinking ship. Otherwise, if you know in your heart you've made a big blunder, and you don't want to be this person's life-mate, come clean now. Tell him you're sorry, but you want out and take the necessary steps. And next time, please look before you leap. You don't have to marry someone just because you want to sleep

Dear Aunt Trudy,

I'm having trouble with my sister and brotherin-law. They have two kids, and for some reason my brother-in-law is especially hard on the oldest child, a boy. He's a nice kid. He just doesn't like sports at all. He's more of an artistic type. He's nine and into music and likes to draw, which he does pretty well. His father is fine with his sister but is always finding fault with this boy, harshly saying he's a sissy, etc. It's gotten to the point where my wife and I don't like going to visit because it is so hard to be around my brother-in-law constantly criticizing and badgering this kid when he's not doing anything wrong. He's just being who he is, which is a quieter kind of boy, not a macho, sporty guy. I've mentioned my annoyance with this dynamic several times to my sister, and she says wearily that she knows it's a problem and tries to get her husband to lay off the boy but he doesn't listen to her. Then she says she's sick of thinking about it and changes the subject. I want to say something to my brother-in-law, like ask him what his problem is. My wife says don't get involved. I feel sorry for this kid and would like to help.

> UNCLE "RAY" IN CHULA VISTA

Dear Uncle Ray,

This is a tough call. It's terrible to see a parent bully a kid. I would keep my eye on the situation and maintain frequent, open communication with your sister. If the situation gets worse, and you feel you must intervene, do it. In the meantime, try to spend time with the boy — take him on outings you would both enjoy. As his uncle you can provide him with positive male bonding — show him that you love him just the way he is and enjoy his company. You can also model better behavior for your brother-in-law when you're visiting by being actively supportive of and affectionate toward your nephew. Take a big interest in him. Go out of your way to tell your brother-in-law that you think the nephew is a real great kid. Ask your wife — and if possible, your sister — to do the same. I hope that eventually with this kind of constructive peer pressure your lunkheaded brother-in-law will begin to see the light.

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My children use our palm tree for art creations. They tear off fronds from our 15-foot Canary Island date palm, and then they shove the long needle-like points into oranges and lemons to create hair on bodiless fruit heads. These creations went on for months until my son was punctured in the foot

by one of the spines. The wound closed up around the spine, and every day we soaked his tootsie and waited for his body to expel the spine. The thorn moved around in his foot, hurting him when he walked certain ways, and the wound was

ways, and the wound was itchy. About two weeks later, the black end of the spine was visible and Patrick pulled the inch-and-a-half spike out with tweezers

I put a stop to the palm art after that and started looking for someone to come out and trim the low-hanging fronds off the date palm, and, while they were at it, to clean the dead fronds off the Mexican fan palm in our front yard. I called Rich Magargal, certified arborist with TreEnterprises (760-789-9310), a treetrimming company that specializes in palm trees. Magargal has been working on trees for over 40 years. "You are lucky you got the thorn out," he said. "Usually, the point of entry will seal up and they can actually move around. I am surprised you didn't have to have a surgeon make an incision. Palms are probably the most dangerous trees in the Western states. There are more injuries and death with palm pruning then probably any other trees in this region. For one, almost all palms, the leaves, or fronds, are what they call armed. With the fan palm it is kind of a hook, similar to a rose thorn. With the date palm [the Phoenix genus], you have spines that can be six inches long and very hard and will easily penetrate the human body. The date palm thorn has some sort of toxic material on it. It is not like a poison dart, but it definitely is noticeable by people that have had

their skin punctured."

"With the Mexican fan palm or the more common California fan palm," continued Magargal, "as the tree gets 20 to 40 feet tall, the fronds tend to slough off in the wind. Those are the ones that can be very dangerous. When the pruner is under that thatch of fronds,

working on the skirt as they call
it, the leaves are hanging down to about his
knees. And as he works his way up the tree,
cutting off the support of the upper fronds as
he goes up, large clusters of the remaining
fronds can then slide down and suffocate the
pruner or actually break his back."

Magargal explained that a safety precaution is to have another worker waiting at the foot of the tree with climbing gear on, in case a rescue is needed. "Then if the fronds do slip down," said Magargal, "and if the pruner stays calm, you have a few minutes. "Palms are probably the most dangerous trees in the Western states."

The rescuer climbs up the tree and pulls the fronds off of the pruner's head."

Magargal, who has had to rescue pruners before, warns against trying to trim your own fan palms, "especially if it is going to require a ladder or climbing a tree. It takes a lot of training: it takes some specialized tools, and in many cases, a chain saw, the most dangerous tool in the world."

Pruning a date palm is called slicking, explained Magargal, "Because we used to prune the tree with a short-handled spade. We actually sculpted the whole trunk and the crown of the tree with the spade. It was quite a masculine art form — very, very hard work. I and a few other guys back in the early '60s were instrumental in figuring out how to make a tree look nice and natural using a chain saw."

Pruning fan palms is called peeling. "It is done with knives," he says, "and it actually cleans the trunk right down to live tissue and leaves the trunk clean. This is done more often on estates or industrial or commercial envi-

ronments. It is a cleaner, more decorative look. Some people

like it, some people don't.

The other way of pruning Mexican fan palms is to do a regular chain-saw trim, where the thatch on the trunk, the crisscross effect, is left on the tree. Some people like full fronds all the way to the ground, but that is an excellent nesting place for many animals."

Rats, I wondered? "You

find rats mostly in the date palm species.

People have told me they have seen rats in fan palms but in my 40 years I have never seen one in a fan palm. But I have seen possums, barn owls, kestrels, and songbirds."

Does pruning help the growth of the tree?

"No, it does not. However," replied Magargal, "some scientists and academics will tell you that pruning some species of trees that have disease will make it spread and that the actual pruning tools can spread disease. It is a consideration. When we use a chain saw to prune the larger date palms, we sterilize between each tree with a simple solution of 50 percent water and 50 percent bleach, because a person can spend thousands of dollars to have a mature date palm installed on their prop-

erty. To spend \$6000 to \$8000 is not unusual. So with that kind of investment, we want to take every precaution we can."

How often do the trees need to be pruned?

"Every couple of years unless there are things like swimming pools underneath the tree, then it needs to be pruned every year. Because as the tree matures their berries fall."

Magargal wouldn't give me standard prices for palm trimming, saying every tree is different. But for my 25- to 30-foot Mexican fan palm tree, Magargal quoted \$720 for a chain-saw trim of the entire trunk and removal of debris. A complete knife trim would be \$940. For the date palm, a trim and cleanup will run \$175.

- 1. Unpruned Canary Island date palm
- 2. Rich Magargal
- 3. Mexican fan palm (unpruned)

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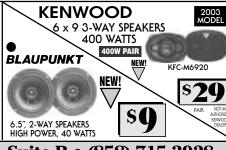


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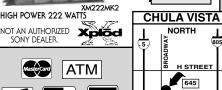
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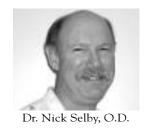
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Thirty Years Ago

Lou Curtiss comes from a generation when scholarship was a major credential in folk music, when one went out collecting "old timey" songs and fragments. He looks older than his 35 years, pale and unhealthy, as soft as a sedentary walrus. It's as if his life is spent in that dark little store, though you know he was outside all week at the San Diego Folk Festival.

— GRASS ROOTS MUSIC, Anne Hutchison, May 9, 1974

Twenty-Five Years Ago

The Navy hopes to obtain the property to build its hospital by swapping part of the present site, near the junction of Park Boulevard and Interstate 5, for a section of undeveloped canyon land in the center of Balboa Park — as if the hospital would pick up one huge foot, pivot, and plant it several hundred yards to the northeast.

— "THE BATTLE OF FLORIDA CANYON,"

Gordon E. Smith, May 10, 1979

Twenty Years Ago

Ralph Frammolino was the first American journalist to arrive on the Caribbean island of Montserrat in search of financier J. David Dominelli. A reporter for the San Diego County edition of the *Los Angeles Times* since October, Frammolino had covered the Dominelli story the previous month.

For David Hasemyer, assigned to cover the Dominelli story for the *Tribune*, the Montserrat adventure had begun at 10:00 p.m. the night before, on Wednesday, when he gave Nancy Hoover the last of his daily check-in calls. She told him then that Dominelli had fled the country, presumably to Montserrat. Hasemyer and his wife, fellow *Tribune* staff writer Anne Krueger, drove to the *Tribune*'s Mission Valley offices and began a session of phone calls; they determined that Dominelli was on Montserrat.... At the New York stopover he discovered that among those who had been on his flight was Diane Lindquist, a reporter for the *San Diego Union*.

— "ASSAULT ON MONTSERRAT," Thomas K. Arnold, May 10, 1984

Fifteen Years Ago

I pushed open my truck door. "Where you headed?" I asked.

"Escondido," he answered.

"Hop in."

"What's in Escondido?"

"My truck," he said. "We had a company party last night, and I got a little drunk.... I lay carpet. I'm just an apprentice, right now, but it seems like a pretty good business to get into."

Some people say that picking up hitch-



From the San Diego Reader, May 6, 1999

hikers is like petting a rattlesnake — you might get away with it, for a while. Who knows, maybe someday the carpet layer will stick his carpet knife in the back of some poor bastard's neck. But there are lots of ways to bleed people to death, and I'd trust the carpet layer before I'd trust one of these guys driving around in a BMW making deals over a cellular phone.

— "THERE'S ONLY ONE HITCH," Steve Sorenson, May 11, 1989

Ten Years Ago

The "day of mourning" invoked by President Clinton to mark the death of Richard Nixon, in which post offices, federal buildings, and stock exchanges were shut down, is unprecedented in the history of the country.

Clinton's voice cracks with studied emotion. Editorial pages across America laud Nixon's "devotion to peace."

Appropriately enough, God pelted down large hail pellets the day Nixon's body arrived back in Yorba Linda.

— **HELL.A.,** Adam Parfrey, May 5, 1994

Five Years Ago

"Wow! It's serious hammer time out there somewhere near us. I don't feel overly anxious, nervous, pumped, or fearful. I should say not vet, at least. I'm sure it'll be one hell-of-arush when we get in there. Damn! Now I hear C-130s flying, and low too. Can't see them but they're out there. Can't imagine why. The Cobras, F-15s, and F-18s have been buzzing around constantly. I guess the C-130 pilots want some too! I'm sure there is enough to go around. Estimating, it sounds like all the thick shelling is to the NW about five to eight miles. The Cobras and C-130s are flying to our immediate front. Again we can't see over this damn dust line. Ah... CH-53s are in the mix too (loud fuckers)."

Marine sergeant Don Waybright II made this entry in his diary on February 24, 1991, or G-Day (Ground Offense Day), four days before the Gulf War ended.

— "A GULF IN UNDERSTANDING," Justin Wolff, May 6, 1999

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PREPARE-ANOID

by Josh Board

hen I went to see the Proclaimers in concert, I saw the Biddy Bums, a local band, open up the show. By the time both bands had played, it was after 1:00 a.m. I heard one of the singers of the Biddy Bums tell his friend, "...the party at the hotel is still going on." I didn't know them but asked if I could crash it. One guy said, "Sure, but the party isn't starting until 2:00."

I went to buy some beer to bring to the party, which was at the Hotel 8 in Hotel Circle. I stopped at an AM/PM, and the cashier said, "We don't sell beer after midnight." I asked if that was a law and he said, "No, we just don't sell it that late. There's a liquor store around the corner that sells beer until 2:00 a.m."

I got to the liquor store at 1:50, and three people in line were holding beer. One tall Latino was already drunk. He spent five minutes trying to decide if he wanted beef jerky or pistachio nuts. When the Middle Eastern man working the register said, "Sir, please, I have other customers," the customer snapped, "Man, I need my fucking pistachio nuts first!"

I bought two six-packs and headed over to the hotel.



There wasn't a single space to park, so I went to the hotel next door. Signs stated that unauthorized vehicles would be towed — but I took the risk.

As I walked into the parking lot, I saw a giant crowd on the fourth floor. I asked, "Is that where the party is?" I was met with a voice saying, "Who the fuck wants to know?" I held up the beer, and he said, "Room 400."

As I climbed the stairs, I remember being told the party

playing volleyball.

There was a redhead passed out on the bed. I thought somebody said, "That's Annette." What they said was, "That's the net." There were 20 people on each team, and as they hit the volleyball back and

see this." She took me into the bathroom, where the bathtub was piled high with a dresser, a couch, and other things. She said. "We needed to make

room for the volleyball game."

pictures and said. "You got to

Someone else said about the game, "The people below us have already complained about the noise."

There was alcohol everywhere. Occasionally, an errant shot knocked over a bottle. The drummer of the Biddy Bums said something about rock bands partying at hotels, and I responded, "Don't they usually throw TVs out the window?" He went over and grabbed the TV and laughed.

When the volleyball hit the ceiling, I noticed there were ten bottle caps somebody had pressed into the ceiling.

The hotel called the room and said the cops were on their way because of noise complaints. One guy said he had a plan. "Listen, that party a few floors above us has been a lot louder. We've made sure we're quiet whenever the door has been opened. So we need to send somebody to that party. Bring a case of beer and hang out on the balcony being loud. That way, when the cops show up, they bust that party instead." Somebody responded, "Dude, you're being paranoid." He replied, "No, I'm being prepare-anoid. I'm getting

One guy volunteered to take the beer up there. I found out that party was for a guy who just got back from Iraq.

The plan didn't work too well. Somehow there ended up being a fight in the parking lot. We were watching from the window, and the bass player wanted to go out and join the fray. Nobody was letting him out of the room. One girl said, "You'll get arrested, too. And we'll all get busted. Just stay

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was in room 214. Sure enough, there were two parties going on. I walked into 214, and it was a room that looked to be only 12' by 12' with about 50 people in it. And they were forth, instead of scoring points, each team had to drink shots. I haven't seen anyone have this much fun with a volleyball since Tom Hanks in *Cast Away*.

One girl saw me taking







here." He was struggling to get out there. One guy involved in the fight was standing on crutches and could barely walk.

A guy in the band named Josh was telling me they have two guys named Josh in the group. He asked, "Do you play an instrument? We'd like to get a third Josh in the band." I told him I can play a mean tambourine and five songs on the piano — including "Chopsticks." He responded, "Hey, that's a classic." I asked him how they got the name Biddy Bums, and he said, "From Fiddler on the Roof, a song in that." A woman overhearing this started singing, "If I were a rich man /Deedle deedle daidle digga digga dum /All day long I'd biddy biddy bum /If I were a wealthy man."

Another guy in the band was talking about the carbs in alcohol. When he was saying how surprised he was that Slim-Fast actually tastes good, somebody came over and said. "Don't listen to this guy talk about health. We were out of town once, and he was supposed to go buy gas and Diet Coke. He came back with chewing tobacco, no Coke, and hardly any gas in the car."

The police showed up. The party had been going for exactly 48 minutes.

Even though the lights in the room were out and everyone was whispering (one whispering for somebody to hide the pot pipe under the bed), we still got thrown out.

The band was talking to the two cops in the parking lot, who were surprisingly nice. One said, "I'm a singer in a band, I know what it's like." I later asked somebody what band he was in, and I was told it was Big Time Operator. The younger cop laughed when he found out the party was going to be moved to the bass player's house in North Park. He said something, in a joking manner, about following us over there to break up that party.

One girl was avoiding the cops. She said something about a recent run-in with the law. The officers

cleared everyone out without checking IDs or harassing anyone. Not even the girl who was "the net" in the volleyball game. She could barely walk, but another girl said she was going to drive her home.

The drummer, his girlfriend, and I went to the house in North Park. Since we were the first ones there and she had to use the bathroom, he went into the back vard. He climbed through a window and unlocked the door. Within 15 minutes, everyone else showed up. Most hung out in the living room playing pool. There was a beer tap by a bar, and one girl asked, "Is this real?" She pulled it and beer came pouring out. She said, "Oh, I guess it is." The bass player said, "I'm so glad you did that. Now I'll have to clean that out later."

Some people were in the back yard smoking. When I went out there, a woman asked us what our favorite Muppet from Sesame Street was. When one guy said Bert and Ernie, she said they were gay. I said, "They are characters on a children's show. They aren't gay. They aren't heterosexual either. They are just Muppets." She said, "Kermit and Miss Piggy are Muppets, and they're heterosexual." She went on about the way Bert dresses and them living together. I said, "They aren't even adults. They are Muppet kids." She said, "They are adults. You don't see their parents, do

you?" I said, "You never see Charlie Brown's parents." She responded, "But vou hear that weird noise when their parents talk. Why don't we ever hear from Bert and Ernie's parents?"

At that moment, a neighbor turned on a light and stood by a window. It was after 4:30. He looked to be in his mid-60s, and his white hair was messed up from sleeping. Somebody pointed to him and said, "That looks like the Muppet from The Muppet Show. The one that would watch the show from the balcony with his friend, making fun of everything."

That neighbor called

and asked everyone to be quieter. That lasted about ten minutes.

When we finally went back inside the house, you could smell marijuana. Someone said, "This is where the real party was going on."

I drove a few people home who'd had too much to drink. There were still some people shooting pool. We apologized for being so loud outside, and the bass player said, "Don't worry about it. My neighbors are all dicks." ■

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The Natural Blonde Puts Lipstick On Her When She Wants To Make

I'm allowed to write this article only because I'm a 7. I don't mean that I'm a 7 the way Bo Derek was supposedly a 10. I mean that I'm a 7 on the Natural Color Scale for hair, which indicates that I'm officially a blond.

Color scales were invented by hair companies so that we might artificially color our hair more accurately. On one company's Natural Colors line, 1 is Dark Brown, 6 looks Dark Blonde, and 10 means Ultra Light Blonde. This is the scale upon which I am a 7, a Medium Blond. This is the scale that implies that I am able to think with only 30 percent of my pigment.

So although I'm a *male* blond, I've decided to mention my own intimacy with the subject of Blondness because this article is *about* Blondeness, and I'm hoping that my hair color may pardon me for any politically incorrect observations that I have just made, and for all the politically incorrect observations that I am about to make.

Now if my own Blondness is not credential or justification enough for you, or if you are given to being offended by broad generalizing statements about diverse groups of people, then get ready to set your ire in

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an uproar. I apologize in advance. And I urge you to recognize that down beneath it all, beneath the cruel insinuations and the patronizing jokes, I'm sincerely searching for some solid facts, for some grounded truth at the roots of the blonde myth.

One fact is this: here in San Diego, we bathe and breathe in the land of the blonde. (Incidentally, the word itself, "blond," is French in origin, which explains the gender sensitivity: it's one of the few English words that change their spellings to refer to a man or to a woman, either a blond or a blonde.) Look all around you, blondes here, blonds there, blondes and blonds are everywhere. It's either something in the air or something in a bottle. Natural or not, San Diego's got lots of fair locks on top.

Yes...diaphanous flaxen tresses, golden waves of mane...but soon, they may be gone?

Fact or folly, the BBC reported that people with blonde hair are an endangered species. The rumors alleged that natural blondes will die out within the next 200 years. Is it an inherent inanity, I wondered, some kind of "ditz gene" that has placed our precious blondes in jeopardy? Perhaps flakiness works against life's most fundamental goal: survival.

Apparently blonde hair is caused by a recessive gene that must be present on both sides of a child's family in the grandparents' generation. According to the study, this condition is growing increasingly rare. The researchers believe that so-called bottle blondes may be to blame for the

Forehead Up Her Mind

demise of their natural rivals. They suggest that dyed blondes are more attractive to men, who choose them as partners over true blondes.

In nature, this phenomenon is called "mimicry." Mimicry is defined by the *Encyclopedia Britannica* as a biological occurrence "characterized by the superficial resemblance of two or more organisms that are not closely related taxonomically." This resemblance is supposed to "confer an advantage — such as protection from predation — upon one or both organisms through some form of 'information flow' that passes between the organisms" (the real blonde and the

fake blonde) and the "animate agent of selection" (the unwitting male); for instance, "that blonde's hair makes her hot."

But what makes blondes more attractive in the first place? Do gentlemen genuinely prefer them?

My theory (as a gentleman) is that blondes are more attractive for the same reason that moths like light: bright and sparkly things are more attractive. (The moth thinks that bright light means heat, and it usually does. The man thinks that bright hair means hot, and it usually does.) I think the sex drive of a man really does render his taste that simple. Bright and sparkly equals good.

And let's face it, the blonde myth, such as it stands — that men favor them, that they have more fun, that they're ditzy and dreamy, that they're softer in some way — is a guy thing, mostly, a fairy tale that men invented to balance out the power these brightest and sparkliest women have over them. Perhaps this myth was once about scarcity as well, about the relative value of rare things. But hydrogen peroxide should have trimmed that trouble a bit. Now we read estimates that as many as 70 percent of American women are or have been or will spend at least some of their lives as blondes.

True blonde or fake blonde...aside from whether "the carpet matches the drapes," really, what's the difference?

To help answer this question, I invoke a dead German philosopher who was not particularly blond. Walter Benjamin had a theory about the "aura" of objects. It's a theory about originality versus commodity, about the genuine as opposed to copies, and Benjamin came up with it many years before the invention of Xerox or implants. For Benjamin, "aura" is what surrounds a thing's unique existence — its originality and authenticity. The idea is that reproduction withers the aura, detaching the object from its tradition and "liquidating the traditional value of the cultural heritage." In other words, by now, in our cultural situation, we don't much care any longer whether she's a real blonde or just some highlighted imitation, so long as she really *looks* blonde.

And this is because Blondeness (true or fake) is more than just a hair color. It's a context. It's something you're in, even when you're only near it. It's an energy that pervades. A kind of influence. A weather.

A dizziness.

My good friend Anne Bacon is a blonde. I'm surprised to think of her this way, because she's also one of the most thoughtful and contemplative people I know. She stands about five foot nothing, has one of the biggest smiles I've ever

seen, and when I met her years ago she had very light hair cascading all the way down past her waist. When I started working on this article, I called her up (she lives in San Francisco now), and I told her that I wanted to ask her a few questions.

Okay, Anne. Do blondes have more fun? "I've got short hair now, Geoff, *really* short. I cut it all off. And as soon as I did, the shorter I cut it, the less fun I had."

Really?

"No. I'm just kidding."

Ha ha. You got me. But wait. Isn't that irony? Are you using irony with me? Isn't irony one of those witty conversational devices that should be beyond the grasp of a true blonde?

"All my life I've had three judgments to overcome: I'm small, I'm a woman, and I have blonde hair. But Blondeness, especially, is just a state of other people's minds, how they perceive certain characteristics, like when I do flaky things or act aloof"

Can men be blond?

"They can definitely be flaky and aloof, but...well, I guess the surfer dude can be blond."

Ah, yes. The surfer dude. I know one of these guys, in fact I work with him, blond hair and all, although I don't know if he actually surfs. He just strikes me as being very blond.

I told Adam Bokor that I was doing a story on blondes, and I asked him if he thought blondes have more fun. "My impression is, and I think I've had some experience with this, I think, you know, blonde girls? They're kind of stupider than brunettes, they're like, dumb and ditzy, you know? Which is just what I've noticed."

Which didn't even answer the question I asked him. Very well. Um, Adam, don't you think you're overgeneralizing? Maybe that's not the case with ALL blondes?

"No. Just the girls. They're just not too smart. All of them. I don't know why."

But what about men? What about you, Adam? Aren't you a blond?

"Yeah. I have blond hair. But I'm not 'a blonde,' if you know what I mean. The stupidity thing doesn't apply to guys, I guess."

Nope. Doesn't apply to guys.

I go out looking for some guys, not necessarily blonds, to ask them if, in fact, gentlemen prefer ladies with lighter locks. (And these are actual quotes, I kid you not.)

Man One: "Blondes are hot, but they're, you know...maybe the sun hits their heads too much."

Man Two: "They're alluring and attractive without even knowing it. I think it has something to do with the Southern California sunshine.

Their hair just glows in the sun."

Man Three:
"They're like tits. I love
'em and I don't know
why."

Man Four: "I'm not more attracted to blondes in general, but I am more attracted to them now. Why? Because my girlfriend's not a blonde."

Man Five: "I think my daughter's turning out to be a blonde. Which is great, because it means someday she'll be able to get a rich husband."

Man Six: "They're Five Diamond. They're Top of the Line. They just catch your eye."

Man Seven: "Blonde, shmonde. Who cares? Hair is hair."

I ask my sister, Courtenay, who is roughly a 6 (dark blonde), about Blondeness. I ask her if gentlemen prefer her. "Well," she says, "blondes think that gentlemen prefer them. But women without glasses also think that men will not make passes at women with glasses. But since glasses are associated with intelligent women, there are probably few blondes with glasses." So says my

bespectacled number 6 sister. Then she elucidates, "Blondes who are smart can pretend they're not, because no I then ask my sister if she prefers blonds, blond men. "No way. There's this blond guy who lives in my build-

"I've been a blonde for about 80 percent of my life," Bourne says.
"But I always change. I get bored. People feel different in the hair color that they have."

one expects anything more of them, because they're blonde. And blondes who aren't smart kind of have a built-in excuse."

ing whose hair, eyes, and skin are all exactly the same color. It's like this champagne-beige. He has almost no outstanding features at all. So I think true blondes lack contrast. And I think that's why men like them. Men don't like assertive things. So things they can't see, that don't command attention, that are unobtrusive and without a lot of contrasts, those are the things that are most attractive to men."

Which runs exactly counter to my theory that men like bright and sparkly things. But either way, my sister and I both seem to hold a rather low esteem for men.

Then my sister offers this hypothesis:

"This country was originally inhabited by very dark people. And it was invaded by dark people. So there is definitely a novelty to Blondeness. There's an objectification to it, because they were the last ones here. The objectification of novelty."

My sister's a poststructuralist literary critic who's getting her Ph.D. That's why she throws around phrases like "objectification of novelty." That's also why she doesn't seem very "blonde" at all.

My hairdresser might be blonde. That





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is, sometimes Effie Bourne's a blonde, and sometimes she's not. I think she must be an expert on the subject, since she colors other people's hair for a living. She's made quite a few blondes in her life.

"I don't think blondes have more fun," Bourne tells me. "I've been every color. And it doesn't make a difference. Nothing's changed. I've been everything from level 1 to level 10." (Bourne's the one who taught me about hair-color levels. When I interviewed her for this article, she opened a giant glossy

book across our laps. The book had little downy swatches of tresses indexed and filed throughout it, like samples of fabric or paint.) "Right now, I'm a level 5. Light brown."

And how's that going? I ask her.

"I've been a blonde for about 80 percent of my life," Bourne says. "But I always change. I get bored. People feel different in the hair color that they have. Like, if it's been three months and they haven't had their hair retouched, then they get grow-out, and they might feel depressed.

Although some people wear grow-out now as a style. But I don't like it."

"Grow-out" is the

becoming a kind of style of its own, either due to design or due to laziness, or perhaps even because of a lack

Many early-19th-century women achieved Blondeness by applying saffron, white wine, olive oil, hay seeds, ivy bark, soap flakes, ammonia, pigeon dung, or horse urine.

hair specialist's term for the gradual appearance of darker root hair beneath the previous hair-coloring treatment. Grow-out is

of funds. Hair-coloring treatments are expensive, \$75 to \$120, and to keep their grow-out from showing, many women (and men, I

guess) will have to color their hair every four or five weeks or

Bourne tells me that the California fashion is to be a blonde. "With most of my clients, I'm either highlighting them or making their hair lighter in some way. But I don't think that men are more attracted to blondes. I think people have gotten sick of seeing blondes. I think men like someone a little more natural looking. Some women might feel that darker hair makes them look older or more wrinkled, but that's not true unless you put the wrong color on them. The wrong color can change your skin tone. It's just like wearing clothing. We can change our hair color nowadays just as easily as we change our wardrobes. But you have to put the right hair tone on the right skin tone."

That's what I always say! (Sort of.) What I do say is I think the whole package has got to match. But I also go one step further...I think we should all remain just as nature intended us. Nature doesn't gen-

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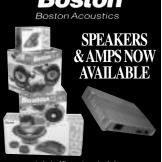
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There are no books about brunettes, few pedigrees, zero myths, not a single famous actress who draws special attention for her darker locks, no websites, no magazines, no organizations dedicated to the darker side of the hair. Poor, poor brunettes. (And they

receive only a couple of little paragraphs in this article as well...)

> And redheads? But back to blon-

des! Blondes have all the pedigrees and stars and websites. In fact, they've always been kind of famous, right down through the ages.

In Roman times, women used to dye their hair blonde with quicklime, wood ash, and old wine. Supposedly they did this because they were jealous of the fair-haired German women brought back as captives by their husbands.

In September 1875, in Springfield, Illinois, the "Blondes" and

in public for gate money between feminine ball-tossers." Once there was

Brown and red are coppery colors, so this is supposed to explain why blondes are dumb. Apparently, there is no scientific basis to this story whatsoever.

"Brunettes" played their first match. Newspapers heralded the event as the "first game of baseball ever played

Marilyn Monroe, Mae West, and Grace Kelly, and now we have Britney Spears, Sharon Stone, and Pamela

Anderson.

Many of the most famous fairy tales center on a blonde character. Goldilocks, Rapunzel, Cinderella.

In such a climate, it's not difficult to understand how little blonde girls can grow into their roles. They're supposed to exhibit these traits that are associated with them.

A silly story often circulates that intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair. Brown and red are coppery colors, so this is supposed to

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explain why blondes are dumb. Apparently, there is no scientific basis to this story whatsoever.

Among the fallacies and fables related to Blondeness, there are, of course, a few solid facts: (1) Blond beards grow faster than darker beards. (2) In Finland in 1998, a group of blondes became so fed up and disillusioned with the treatment of blondes that they formed the International Blondes Association. At their first meeting, Pamela





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Anderson Lee was the keynote speaker. (3) Many people believe all Swedish women are blonde, that Sweden is populated by blonde bombshells more than any other country. However, true blondes make up only approximately 50 percent of Sweden's 9 million people. (4) Mummified blondes 4000 years old were discovered in China's northwestern province of Xinjiang. (5) A blonde head of hair has usually many more strands than redor dark-haired heads. (6) Artists frequently

portrayed their subjects as blonde, even when history belied the point. The artist Tiepolo, for example, depicted Cleopatra with strawberry blonde curls. (7) The most popular doll in the history of the world, Barbie, is a blonde. (8) Supermarket shoppers prefer blondes as cashiers. A UK-based Somerfield Shoppers Survey stated that blondes appeared much calmer and busier than their darkerhaired coworkers.

Aphrodite, Greek goddess of love and

fertility, set the blonde standard. Eve covered herself with her golden locks in paradise. Queen Elizabeth I ruled with it. Many early-19th-century women achieved Blondeness by applying saffron, white wine, olive oil, hay seeds, ivy bark, soap flakes, ammonia, pigeon dung, or horse urine. Later, in the late 1800s, ding! Hydrogen peroxide! And nowadays, there are more effective, more natural, and much gentler herbal rinses that are used to achieve the elusive state of total

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Blondeness.

But all those halfbreed wannabes will never be able to match the natural blonde for her irreplaceable overtones and connotations, for her "highlights."

The natural blonde

thinks that a quarterback is a refund; she puts lipstick on her forehead when she wants to make up her mind; and she tells me to meet her at the corner of "Walk" and "-Don't Walk." The natural blonde takes a ruler to bed to see how long she sleeps. If she spoke her mind, the natural blonde would be speechless. And when she heard that 90 percent of all crimes happened around the home, the natural blonde picked up and

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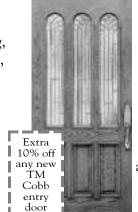
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of truth to them or not. Blondes often make good fodder for humor.

Two blondes are walking down the street. One notices a compact on the sidewalk and leans down to pick it up. She opens it, looks in the mirror, and says, "Hmm, this person looks familiar." She hands it to the second blonde. The second blonde looks in the mirror and says, "You dummy, it's me!"

She Was So Blonde That She...(1) Took her new scarf back to the

store because it was too tight. (2) Couldn't learn to water ski because she couldn't find a lake with a slope. (3) Can't work in a pharmacy because the bottles won't fit into the typewriter. (4) Got excited because she finished a jigsaw puzzle in six months and the box said 2 to 4 years. (5) Was trapped on an escalator for hours when the power went out. (6) Couldn't call 911 because there was no 11 on the phone. (7) Thought the capital of

California was C.

Ah, blondes. Different, endangered, easily typecast...alternately raised onto gilded pedestals, then trampled into gold dust underfoot.

And where does that leave them? Where does that leave the rest

Incidentally, I had my sister proofread this article, and she cried "foul" from her perch in far-off Iowa, insisting that the piece is premised upon a fallacy. I mention this now in the hope that

if what she says is true, then my mentioning it will vindicate me for my (unintentional) lie. The thing is, my sister insists that her hair is auburn and that mine's auburn as well.

Blonde or auburn, trash or treasure.

Whatever. My sister knows what color taupe is, so she's probably right about our hair, regardless of what Bourne and her color scale indicated to me. But now I wonder aloud about the veracity of fact required by newspaper articles. Am I still

allowed to claim an intimacy with this subject? Is my blondness an unintentional fiction? Or am I actually a blond? Does it matter?

By now we have witnessed the wanton objectification of human beings, the devaluing commodification of those objectified humans, rampant prejudgment based on questionable stereotypes, and a pervasive tone of insincerity and irony. Great. Is the way we react to Blondeness, and the way we treat blondes, indicative in some way of our cultural situation at large?

I wonder now if I'm required to deliver a sweeping insight, some manner of wise reassurance, or to find an essential lesson obscured in these flighty meditations of mine?

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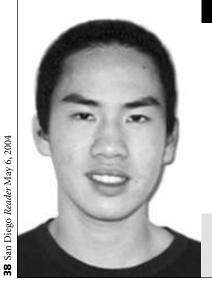
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ount Carmel High School has its share of litterbugs. Plenty of rubbish is tossed onto campus grounds. At one point blowers were utilized to make it easier to collect the campus's trash. The Associated Student Body and environmentally aware clubs on campus have adorned trash cans with decorations and illustrations in an attempt to draw attention to the receptacles. Still, people litter, and custodians can't be everywhere. Leave it to Jill Haverly's special-education students to help out.

With a tool to pick up trash in one hand and a trash bag in the other, Haverly's students saunter through the hallways of Mount Carmel High School. They seek out soda cans, shimmering pieces of aluminum worth ten cents. Looks of concentration on their faces set them apart from students meandering from the bathroom back to class.

Three times a week, students with severe disabilities, such as autism and Down's syndrome, collect cans on campus. Though they usually gather cans lying around in the shrubbery, they search through the recycling bins from time to time. These students take part in a recycling program that has been active at Mt. Carmel High for more than eight years, since before Haverly became special education teacher. After they've been gathered, the aluminum cans are crushed by the students and then transported to the recycling center by the teacher's aide and one or two students. With the approximately \$100 they receive every month, they go on field trips to the zoo, go to movies, have parties, and purchase games, magazines, and chalkboards for their classroom.

Some students considered the can-gathering demeaning, and they questioned the morality of having special-education students amass cans. The critics became incensed with the school and raised questions regarding the use of class time. In a



Jill Haverly, Paul Prutzman

letter to the editor of the *Mt. Carmel Sun* newspaper, an anonymous student vented her distrust of the lesson plans for special-education students.

"What's the message being conveyed when a class is picking up our trash? Do their teachers think those students are unaware of what they are doing?" the student wrote. "It seems so degrading. Why be put in a position where it seems like a punishment?" This student went on to propose that all classes be forced to pick up trash, hoping that "maybe they'll also see how 'unreasonable' all this really is."

Juniors Mimi Jun and Vidya Parashar had mixed reactions when they witnessed the students picking up cans.

"I questioned why they were picking up trash and doing the custodians' work," Jun said. "My first impression was sympathy and anger. I thought they were forced to do something that they didn't want to do."

"If you're unaware of their intentions, it's hard to understand," Parashar said. "It felt as though that's all they could do due to their inabilities."

Special-education teacher Jill Haverly's defense of the program made it clear that her students weren't "doing the custodians' work" just for dimes. "It's perceived by everyone else as just picking up trash, but it's a program for them," Haverly said. "We're teaching them a job and how to be good, environmentally aware citizens." The weekly routine also teaches them organization and money skills, she said.

Rather than studying the standard high school curriculum, students in special education perform activities that stimulate their primary senses. Haverly said that the recycling program helps her seven students learn to identify objects and distinguish the differences between types of cans. It also helps them practice their fine motor skills.

Instead of doubting the program's intent, parents have embraced it.

"We've been active recyclers for a long time," said one parent. "I was glad when [the behavior] was reinforced in school."

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CHAPTER 33 Listening for Sardines

Mike Bachalachi died on a busy day, or he might have made a feature story. The next day was busy too, and the third day is rather too late to do a feature story on anybody who dies around the waterfront.

But this morning I saw the bait-boat which he had built and of which he was so proud, and that is why I remembered him of a year or so back. For Bachalachi could spot sardine schools in daylight as well as at night, which of course is very unusual and which was responsible for him always being assured of a season's job on the live-bait boat which catches for the sporting barge.

Bachalachi was needed during fishing season, and he had no idea how needed he really was or he might have charged more for his services. He has caught sardine schools right inside the bay, which is unusual too, and once he herded a school into the ferry slip. He corralled his net around the fish there, and the ferry had to wait outside the slip until he finished taking them aboard. The passengers did not seem to mind, for they watched him at work. This was about the only time anybody ever watched him at work who were not with the live-bait boat crew.

There must be such a thing as instinct, all right, for he could guide the captain at the most ungodly hours to sardine schools. And I have known him to lie flat down on the forward deck and cock his ear over the bow. He said he was listening for sardines, a new stunt we had not heard of before. He originated the idea and he alone could do it. On days when the sea was of steel-plating, so calm, he would signal the captain to shut off the engine. Bachalachi would lie on his stomach then and listen down into the water. He said the sardines make a funny little noise as they flip their tails and that he could hear them. None of the rest of us could, but he was not lying, for in emergencies he did locate schools in the daytime this way instead of waiting for moonless nights, and the sporting fishermen out on the deep-sea barge had him to thank many times for saving their Sun-

days. He would bring live bait when nobody else could, and then he announced he was building a live-bait boat of his own.

He had been hoping all his life to have a boat of his own, he said, and now finally he had enough money. For he wanted his craft to be good for anything, sardines, swordfish, tuna, rockcod, everything.

To be sure, the craft in time was built, all right, and was christened with Portuguese wine, and the celebration lasted all night, he was that happy.

Later, when the engines were installed and he was ready for the trial run, he had another celebration and invited us all aboard again. There must have been 30 of us on the little craft when we put out of the harbor. We were overcrowded and had to stand up most of the time, but we were not bored. Not to begin with, for Bachalachi would not permit us to be.

He was so excited over having a vessel of his own that he would not sit still. He kept racing over the deck and down into the engine room, coaxing as many of us as he could to go along with him. He had so many things he wanted to show us that he forgot, I guess, that his craft was little different from the other fishing crafts around here. Long before the end we all grew pretty tired of being dragged around, but he continued to go strong, and when his shirt became saturated with perspiration he took it off and continued racing around in his sleeveless undershirt.

"Come," he would say, thinking of a new place to take us, a place which was not new at all and which we already had seen. "Come." And he would start pulling us by the hand until finally we could stand it no longer and one of us said:

"My Good God, Bachalachi, we've seen the old tub, you know. Give us a rest."

This was not meant to be serious, for we all presumed we knew him too well for him to take us literally. But the excitement dissolved from his eyes and lips as though swabbed off by gasoline, and within a second another face had been put on his shoulders to replace the old happy one. And when we looked at him again he was not Bachalachi.

He stared at us as though we deliberately had shot a fish-spear into him, then he limped back aft and sat down next the stern. He would not move. He would not talk. He would do nothing, only sit there, and this is the way he remained all the rest of the way back into port that evening.

The sweat dried on him and he should have put on his shirt or coat. He should not have sat there, as heated as he had been, without putting on something. We know this now because, hardy though we thought he was, his body apparently chilled into a cold,

He said the sardines make a funny little noise as they flip their tails and that he could hear them.

as pneumonia was what he died of that same week.

His bait-boat has been sold and re-sold since then. I do not know who



Boat christening

is the present owner, but could find out by looking in the fishermen's register.

CHAPTER 34 **El Hermito**

He comes the nearest to being a hermit, I guess, of anybody around here.

He is not old enough, though, to be a real hermit, and in addition he shaves. At least he was always shaven on the few times he came to town.

He did not select a very fanciful island for his hermitage either, if such is what it is. He lives on one of the two islands several miles to the south

of here. The islands are sharp with a thorny brush, almost a mesquite. The sun hits the island on all sides at once. There is little shade for there are no trees.





From a distance his island has the appearance of a burned biscuit which somebody has thrown away.

The cliffs are steep, and only by means of a tiny cove, called Pirate's Cove, may a decent landing be made at all. His hut is above the cove, and the Mexican Government pays him a few pesos a month to stay out there and tend a feeble beacon. But I think he would stay out there anyway.

Only about twice a year does he ever come to town. Sometimes he rows the 20 miles in his open lobsterboat, and sometimes if the Mexican patrol boat happens to be passing he hoists a bit of bunting up the mast of ally make a feature story if the day is dull for other news. We take the usual picture and we write the usual line about what he does for

Her beer is never green, and usually is the most excellent in town.

his shack. The patrol boat puts into the cove, then, and brings him on into

His arrivals here usu-

entertainment. We write about his radio, about his books, and about how he stores up lobsters to sell on these trips to town. He traps

the lobsters during the week or so in advance of his trip, and he stores them alive into a tiny lagoon within the cove. He keeps them trapped in there by sunken chicken-wire.

But what we do not write about is how he behaves after reaching town. He is everything but a hermit then; he is very much of the flesh. He comes to town primarily to buy coffee, shoes, socks, all such things as that to last him another year if need be. And when his purchases are completed he goes to Mrs. Morgan's where he is well known by her six girls. Or sometimes he goes directly there before he does his purchasing.

Mrs. Morgan's place is about five blocks from the water front and has a front yard with pepper trees and is surrounded by a hedge. Some of the neighbors have complained, but because the house is always so quiet and because it has a sign: Mrs. Morgan's Boarding House for Girls, the police do not interfere other than to visit her occasionally in a social way. She always greets the hermit as "El Hermito" just for the fun of it, although he can talk English as well as she can. In fact he is mostly English, although he can pass for a Mexican because of his sunstricken skin.

For these islands have left their outdoor mark on him, all right. They apparently were once a part of a mainland peninsula, as the island on which he lives has rattlesnakes and tiny kangaroo mice. I doubt if they could have swum that far, 20 miles seeming quite a distance for a mouse to swim, and I have heard that rattlesnakes cannot swim any how. I have never seen any swimming, but again I do not know for sure.

These rattlers are rather small, and it seems as if an agreement has been reached between them and the sea gulls, cormorants and pelicans. For the birds occupy the other island almost exclusively. The rattlers take one island, the birds the other. The birds do all their nesting over there, and he prefers living with the rattlers instead of the birds, for the birds at times can become awfully noisy. They have run the government of their island for so long that they are



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drunk with their own power. They are more spoiled and more misbehaved than any of the birds which live around our port, and the hermit tells Mrs. Morgan that he is spoiled in the same way. He tells her that the reason he lives by himself is because he does not want to be bothered with anybody else.

"You'll get over that," she told him. "Something'll happen and you'll get over all that." And the funny part is that something did happen on the next trip or two.

We reporters had missed the hermit's arrival on the Mexican cutter, but hearing he was in town and because we were in need of a story the other morning reporter and I hunted him at Mrs. Morgan's. She is about 50 or 55, dresses neatly, usually in gray, and tries never to embarrass us by having the girls around, although we probably would not mind. Her beer, though, is never green, and usually is the most excellent in town. She pours it slowly from the bottle to keep the yeast down on the bottom, and the last inch or two of the bottom she always throws away. A lot of people go there and, odd though it may seem, they sometimes take their wives after a dance.

But this was morning, and nobody else was in the front room except Mrs. Morgan and the hermit. He was a bit under, and not from beer. He apparently had been a bit under all

night and now was preparing to leave to catch the patrol boat.

After greeting us and preparing our glasses she continued right on with her argument with the hermit. She was telling him about one of her girls named Katherine who was getting thinner and sicker all the time. "And not from what you may think either, El Hermito. For I have had her examined and have the certificate."

"T.B., then."

"No, not T.B. either, although it might soon well be"

"Then she's in the wrong business, that's all," he answered and tried once more to make the outside door. But Mrs. Morgan shoved him back on the dayenport.

"I know she's in the wrong business, you little fool. That's what I'm trying to tell you. Are you going to take her or aren't you?"

"I'm not. And anyway I don't run no health farm out there."

"You're going to start one, then," she said, motioning the other reporter and me to be patient.

"You're crazy," the hermit answered. "And she'd go crazy, too, inside three

months. My food's the world's worst."

"Just the same, she's going with you," Mrs. Morgan repeated. "I'm sending her to the boat now, and you're to take her and like it."

"The joke's on you, then. The skipper won't let women aboard."

"The joke's on you, then, because he will and nor for that matter had we seen a Mexican patrol boat recently. Our annual feature stories on the hermit would be ruined for all times if we hinted that he was not a hermit after all but was living with a girl. Yet thinking something may have happened to the both of them, a double-murder or a double-suicide or a double-starvation, and seeing the

She handed us a bunch of doilies embroidered out of what at one time must have been men's handkerchiefs, and she handed us eight rattlesnake rattles.

he has. I've paid him, and Katherine's aboard right now. So you just run along."

"Well, I'll be — I'll be—
" he tried to say to Mrs.
Morgan, but failed.

This was more than a year ago. Yes, so much over a year ago that the other reporter and I were commenting about the conversation just the other day. We had not seen the hermit,

possibilities of a glorious story in the finding of their bodies on the isolated island, we talked to the pilot of the cruiser which runs outside to the fishing barge. We asked him if on his next trip he would take a roundabout route to the island and take us with him. This he did.

When our small cruiser put into Pirate's Cove the hermit himself greeted us and helped to make the line fast to a clump of brush. We delayed mentioning anything about the girl, fearing something might have happened to her and that he would be embarrassed. But he himself brought up the subject.

"I'm glad you came," he said. "It damn near looked like I'd have to make a trip to town myself."

"Why?"

"Oh, the kid's got something she wants sent to Mrs. Morgan. Here she comes now."

Sure enough. There she was, almost as copper as he was. She came hurrying down from the hut. She handed us a bunch of doilies embroidered out of what at one time must have been men's handkerchiefs, and she handed us eight rattlesnake rattles.

After her run she was trying to get her breath to speak, but the hermit spoke first: "That's her own embroidery, fellows. You ought to really look at it. And how you fixed on lobsters?"

So, for all I know this may be some sort of a love story. But I guess I had better wait three or four or five years more to make sure.

— Max Miller

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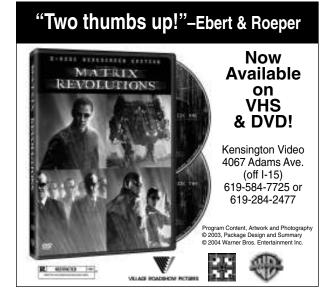
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Carrie Johnson is commenting on the parents who have employed her as one of their two nannies. Nannies get a bad rap when they're accused of bringing harm to a child, but since the book *The Nanny Diaries* hit the best-seller list two years ago, those who *employ* nannies are the ones under scrutiny.

Johnson hasn't read *The Nanny Diaries* yet. "I didn't get to read the whole thing. I want to, though. I read a couple pages in the bookstore, and I said,

'Yeah, I can relate to this.' "

Other nannies who have read the book also feel it hit a chord. "I think that a lot of the stuff in it was the way it is," said Annie Curtis of Encinitas. "I thought while reading the book, 'Oh, my gosh, this is So-and-So.'"

Amberly Brietzman adds, "We've been talking about writing a West Coast version. [The East Coast version] was kind of boring to us. We've heard and seen more stuff. Some of the stories are so ridiculous. So sad."

Many families in San Diego are scrambling to find someone to care for their children. Some choose day care while others prefer nannies. Of those who choose nannies, some are parents dedicated to family but forced to work; others are focused on the climb up the business/social ladder and need someone to parent their children. Rancho Santa Fe, La Jolla, Coronado, Del Mar, Point Loma, Encinitas, Carlsbad, and Carmel Valley are San Diego neighborhoods where families are more likely

to employ a nanny. For the most part, the parents are educated and affluent, and both mother and father are employed outside the home.

But these parents often cause problems. "The hardest part of the job," Curtis stated, "is the parents, not the kids."

Nancy Lofgren of San Diego Nannies, a referral agency, puts it this way: "There are some families that are high maintenance, meaning that they are very particular. I'm not gonna name any names, but I've had a few families

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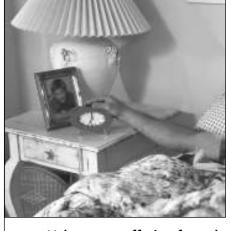
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Wendy Pierce from LovingNannies.com agreed. "Honestly, when it doesn't work out, it's usually because we get a difficult family. The nannies go, 'Wendy, they were weird.' We don't even want to take the job. We don't care how much it pays."

Curtis once found herself in what she called her "biggest nightmare," even though she'd been placed by a referral agency. It was a live-in position in Escondido, caring for two adopted children. "I worked for a lady who was really disrespectful and very undermining. She wouldn't come home when she said she would be home. She wouldn't pay me. She thought because I was a 'live-in' nanny that I should just work without being paid. That's not how it is. This is my job and it's a personal service, but it's still my job. So she wouldn't pay me. I had 18 awake hours with the kids, and she would only pay me for 12 without even talking to me about it. She would just write me a check. She would find very bogus reasons for not wanting to pay me, like, 'You left a dish in the sink.' It was just a really hard situation.

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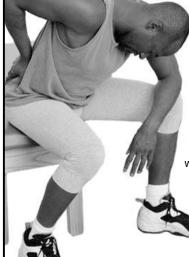
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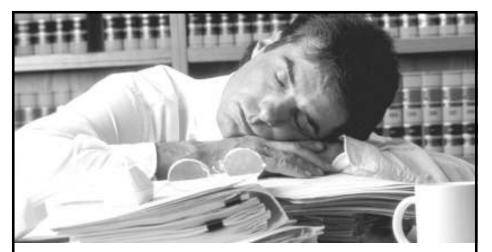
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the kids, when previously that had been a no-no. I'm a live-in, but, you know, the kid was up in the middle of the night coughing, and she just didn't want to be up with him, so she would get me up. That's when it started to go downhill. After that happened, I would tell her, 'No. That's not part of my job.' That was one of my last days." The husband was never in the home, Curtis adds. "She would come out of her room crying. They had been fighting on the phone. He didn't want to pay her for having a nanny. He didn't want to support the kids in any way, and that was another reason for her not paying me because she didn't have the money.

That was when I said, 'Well, then, okay, I need to leave.'

Though this illustrates a negative nanny experience, situations vary widely from family to family,

"The family that I work for right now, they have three nannies. We all work different days. Now I'm working four days a week." Until recently she worked

Regarding the practice of paying nannies under the table, Lofgren said, "I think it's more common than we know, but it's something that I can't get into."

nanny to nanny.

Some families use two or more college students to cover the days they require child care. Emily McLaughlin, a San Diego State student, explains. Monday and Wednesday, another nanny worked Tuesday and Thursday, while the third nanny worked on Friday. Like many families in San Diego County, this one employs

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At the other end of the multi-nanny spectrum is a family that has employed Johnson, 26, for four years. "I share the job with another nanny so that we're not working every day, because the family needs somebody pretty much 7 days a week, 10 to 12 hours a day. We're there two to three hours after the kids wake up until they go to bed. The father works, but he has an office at the house, so he needs privacy the whole time he's working. The mom doesn't work at all; she's just kind of there. She stays up in her room a lot. That's kind of the weird thing."

There are also onenanny families; they cover the weekdays for working parents. Paula Spalding of Del Mar, in her mid-50s, has been a solo nanny for 29 years. When asked how many families she has worked for, she replied, "Good Lord, in 29 years, maybe 20 different fami-

Traditional live-in nannies also still exist. Catherine Gorey, 39, of Cardiff, was a live-in nanny for 11 years, caring for twin daughters. She began when the girls were three years old, and as a live-in

"Some people, they advertise for nannies and then they want you to clean their house and run errands and they pay a rip-roaring two hundred a week."

lies." Her employers are usually two working parents. She said the majority of the families she has worked for have high ethics, respect for other human beings, and place their family first.

nanny, she had domestic responsibilities as well. "I sort of ran the house when nobody else was home. I always prepared dinner every day. I'd take care of laundry. I'd clean and pick up." But this situation is not

for everyone.

When asked if she had ever lived in, Spalding laughed. "Listen. You can quote me on this. Live-in is another name for slave labor. This is a warning to the nanny. When they call for this position, make perfectly clear before you go out on the interview to qualify your hours."

Families find their nannies through various resources — some through family connections or friends. Twenty-two-yearold Melissa Blair acquired her nanny jobs this way. Her former dance instructor referred Blair to her first nanny position, and business friends of her parents are her current employers. "It's kind of fallen in my lap," said Blair, a San Diego State student.

McLaughlin, who works for the same family as Blair, got her job through Blair's referral. "It was nothing I was consciously thinking about. I didn't decide to be a nanny. Melissa was going out of town for a week. She asked if I could just fill in for her 'cause they needed some help. It was also a time when one of their nannies was leaving. They

really needed help. I helped them out and things worked out."

Sarah Toner, a graduate of San Diego State with a degree in psychology, said, "I've been babysitting since I was 11 or 12. My sister and I babysat all the time. We had, like, 25 different families we worked for." Toner's

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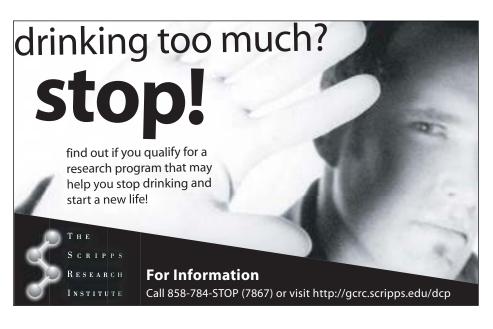
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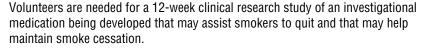
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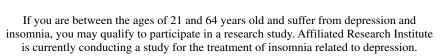


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mother runs a preschool, and one of the mothers asked for a referral. "She had a full-time nanny at the time, but she couldn't work this one day, so my mom said, 'I have a daughter that can babysit,' so I went in that Saturday and worked all day. It turned into an every-Saturday thing because the nanny didn't want to work on the weekends. Then she wasn't able to go on some trips, and I ended up going on some trips with them. That's how it all started. It's been six and a half years." Other nannies place

or families will advertise for a nanny. Kristin Jenkins and her husband Gary, of Carlsbad, found their nanny this way. "I'd had success finding a nanny job previously, getting out of high school, and so I thought we might as well try it and see where it goes. I placed an ad in the Pennysaver and put in what I was requiring — two days a week, flexible. I did request English-speaking. I got about 50 to 60 calls. It was overwhelming, but I was able to narrow that down to three people that

ads in local publications,

I actually had face-to-face interviews with. I was able to ask them some questions on the phone, and I was able to just sense hiring. I just knew the minute she walked in the door, she was gonna be

The Jenkinses had a

"We get some really good male nannies in here sometimes, but the ratio is like a hundred to one."

whether it was going to be a good fit or not. The third gal that came was Christy, and she was the nanny that we ended up

background check done. "Luckily, the employer I was working for had a background-check service, and I just paid the fee directly to that service. I asked [Christy] if she would submit to a background check, and she said no problem. I copied the form from work, filled it out, and signed it, because legally you have to have them sign that they're gonna allow [the check]. Everything came back wonderfully."

Nanny agencies also called referral services — are another connecting resource for families and nannies. The families pay a fee to the agency. It could be a flat fee of \$1500 or the equivalent of a nanny's salary for a month. Additional processing fees may also be involved. The nannies do not pay a fee.

Wendy Pierce, who owns and operates LovingNannies.com in Carlsbad, said, "We don't ever charge our nannies anything. It's a totally free service. We get a fee from the family. I don't need to make money on both ends. Nanny agencies, in general, do very well."

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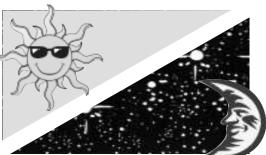
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the CPR; I had to use the Heimlich. It was 5:30 in the afternoon; I was going north on the 15 on the way to the pediatrician's. The child had just recently been diagnosed as an asthmatic, and I had to pull over to get a chunk of phlegm up. He was turning blue. That was scary. The child next to him said, 'So-and-So is turning blue,' so I think he was just learning his colors. I looked in my rearview mirror and go, 'Oh no, God, not at 5:30 in the afternoon.' So, you know, people go zooming by...." Thankfully, she saved the child's

Lofgren returned to the process of nanny referral. "We invite them to come in. They fill out our lengthy application, about seven pages. Then they interview with me. As each nanny sits in front of me, being a mother myself, I look at them and more or less interview them as if they were going to be watching my children. Often — I shouldn't say often, but many times it's during the interview that

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Lofgren is clear about her standards. "We are looking for quality people only," she continues. "There are too many bad nannies out there, and if they're going to represent San Diego Nannies, we feel strongly that we must only select the best.

"Once the nanny leaves, we do our background check. We do a police check, we verify their Social Security number meaning that they are who they claim to be. We check their driving record. Of course, we check their references, call each of the families that they've worked for. That's very important because that's very telling. We ask the previous families to be open and honest; a lot of nannies are weeded out that way. Then we take their photograph. We get them prepared for TrustLine, which is a nationwide FBI criminal background check. In fact, it's a law in California. Whether or not all agencies abide by [that law] is another matter, but we do."

The state of California requires all child-care referral agencies or providers to run Trust-Line checks on prospective employees. In the case of nannies going through an agency, the family is asked to pay the \$130 fee. The family then may or may not deduct the fee from the nanny's wages. "I believe totally in Trust-Line," Spalding said, "and I still do not understand why parents are not aware of it. I wish that it would be put out there because it would save a lot of heartache. What's scary is that very few people are passing the screening of TrustLine, and these people [who failed] are being hired."

Lofgren continued her explanation of the process. "Their fingerprints are sent to Sacramento, where they are run through the Criminal Justice Department information. Ninety-nine percent of the time the nannies are cleared. I think we've only had one or two nannies

who have not been able to be cleared by TrustLine. One was a nanny who — I think she assaulted her mother-in-law. Obviously they were dismissed from the agency.

"Then we put a packet together, put a faxed résumé of each of the qualified nannies together, and they go in our active files. Doing the warrant check, the Social Security check, and the driving record and, of course, checking their references — that we could get done in a couple days. The TrustLine process can take anywhere from two weeks to six

months depending on what's happening in Sacramento with the computer system. There's nothing we can do about it. We're at their mercy. A match can still go ahead and be

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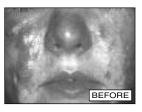
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Wendy Pierce of LovingNannies.com uses a different approach to the Trust-Line lag-time dilemma. "Before the nanny even starts — and this is to protect our behinds as well every nanny gets her criminal, sex offender, DMV, Social Security, address history. With an address history we can pull up every place she's ever used on a credit report. Also name aliases, like maiden names and so forth. The company I use is really good. They're out of Carlsbad. It's a wife and a husband who work together, and the husband's a private detective. They've been in business for over ten years. They're wonderful. I have families that call me and I say, 'Even if you don't use my services and you get a nanny on your own, use these people.' I give out their numbers all the time. We get that done before the nanny even starts. We hand it to the family or put it in snail mail or fax or whatnot. She can start after they get

This practice is not in lieu of TrustLine but offers a sense of security until the TrustLine information is available. Pierce was adamant that families run a current TrustLine. "I want the parents to know this: TrustLine is the most thorough background check done in the United States." She reported that applicants often use twoor three-year-old Trust-Line information; that, she stresses, is not adequate.

Once a nanny is properly placed with a family, most services give a twoto three-month guarantee. LovingNannies.com has a six-month guarantee period. If the nanny or the family is unhappy with the match for any reason, they have a grace period to be reassigned with no additional cost to the original family.

Surveillance is an issue that evokes varied feelings. Lofgren said she does not know how widely "nanny cams" are used; the hidden cameras are



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easily concealed in ordinary objects: stereo speakers, smoke detectors, lamps, artificial plants, clocks. One camera, ideal for observing nannies, was housed in a stuffed teddy bear. Wireless cams are easily installed and typically sell for \$300 to \$400.

Whether or not a family uses nanny cams is a question Lofgren does not necessarily ask. "I think if the parent uses them," she said, "they have every right to watch their child with a nanny."

Amberly Brietzman worked for a family who informed her in advance about surveillance equipment. "They told me they had cameras in the house. I never really saw them. When I was hired the woman said, 'Yeah, there's cameras all over the house.' I thought there was no trust. I can understand the nanny cam, I guess. But still, it's, like, 'You don't trust me.' And, I mean, trust is a huge thing."

Spalding does not think she's worked in a household with a nanny cam. "It wouldn't matter to me anyway. I mean, I'd be embarrassed if they played it back, because I do some bizarre things. Like, we put on *Sesame Street*, and we're dancing, and my singing voice is a lit-

tle undesirable. The bottom line is, if you don't trust this human to begin with, then get 'em out of there. I encourage parents, 'Drop in whenever you want.' That solves that problem. Either you trust 'em or you don't."

But Spalding doesn't appreciate the stereotype. "It makes me nuts when I turn on a television set and see a 12-year-old video with that one lady slugging a kid in the head. Do you know what the norm is? The norm is not [a problem] with the childcare provider; it goes on with the parent. It is going on right in the house. There are [people who] interviewed me that scared the living bejeezus out of me. It's so hidden what goes on in many homes."

discovered a nanny cam. A family is required to notify their workers if there is surveillance, but in one case they had not. "They said they weren't going to surveillance me. It made me feel very upset. I had to play the tape." When she played the tape back, it had only recorded the other nanny employed by the family. When Curtis confronted her employer, the woman told her that she was only taping while the other nanny was on

Curtis accidentally



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duty because she suspected her husband was having an affair with the second nanny. "I actually stayed with them," Curtis said, "because I felt for the woman."

Even with safeguards provided by background checks and surveillance,

hiring a nanny is still a risk, but it's a risk many parents are willing to take. Curtis related a story where she felt the family moved too swiftly, even though she had been referred by an agency. "This was recently, in Del Mar. This woman called me. She ran

in marathons. She asked me to come over, and I came over and I met with her. She said, 'Our situation is we run these races. We have two older daughters, a 12-year-old and an 8-year-old.' And then they had this little boy who was not even 1 yet. They were

going to be gone on his first birthday. She said, 'We're going to go to Vegas, and I'm going to run this race, but we're going to take the two girls. And we're going to leave the baby, so can you watch him? Would you be fine staying here?' They live in a gorgeous, huge house in Del Mar. I said, 'Yeah, that's fine.' They paid me really well. That was it. I met her. I talked to her. And she was, like, 'Okay, you're hired.' I was thinking how weird it was that someone would hire somebody somebody they just met three days ago — to watch their child for four days.

"I felt so bad because this baby woke up, and his parents were gone. I came over when they were leaving, and they put down the baby and took off. He woke up and looked at me, like, 'Who are you?' That was one of the saddest situations I was in. I felt so bad for him."

Blair had a similar experience. "The interview with me lasted about 45 minutes, and then she ended up penciling me in to her calendar right away. So it was, like, 'I need a nanny now and you're here.' She didn't really have time to get to know me."

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San Diego Nannies created a generic contract they make available to the families. "It protects both the family and the nanny," Lofgren said. "We encourage the nannies to get something in writing."

Melissa Blair, in a previous nanny position, signed a contract with a Rancho Santa Fe family. "It was really strict. They had different things that I could and couldn't do with the kids. They were very strict on meal times and play times and what I was to wear and what I wasn't to wear. For instance, I



Amberly Brietzman

couldn't wear flip-flops, and it was summertime in San Diego. I'm not one to wear clothes that show my belly or anything, but they wanted me to be very conservative with high-

collared shirts, longer pants or capris. I couldn't wear shorts. I had to wear onepieces in the swimming pool. Stuff like that."

And just who are these nannies?

Pierce said that 95 percent of applicants are female. "We get some really good male nannies in here sometimes, but the ratio is, like, 100 to 1. We have college girls, we have moms that have raised their kids, we have grandma nannies, we have housekeeper nannies."

"It ranges," Lofgren

said. "Twenty is usually the youngest. I had a nanny come in this past week that was 74. I looked at her and I thought, 'Wait a minute, would I trust this woman if I had an infant?' My gut instinct was 'No.' However, once we called her references, it was glowing. The woman was looking for part-time work, so I thought, let me take another look. I haven't sent her out yet because I don't think we've finished her background check. But the average age is probably late 20s, early 30s for full-time. Part-time nannies, the average age is probably 21, 22; they're a little younger because they're usually college students." Lofgren also says San Diego Nannies occasionally get male nannies. "If they're good and they check out well, they are wonderful to send to families who have boys. We have placed a couple of male nannies, and the families have said, 'Thank you, thank you. My boys love it.' I wish we had more, but we don't."

Whether male or female, nannies cannot be lumped into any one personality type or physical category.

Blair, Miss San Diego 2001, grew up as an only child in a close-knit, affluent family. She is currently pursuing a degree in kinesiology. McLaughlin, an attractive, leggy brunette, spent her childhood in a two-parent home. She is planning a career in elementary education. Twenty-one-year-old Brietzman is the solo nanny for a family with four children under the age of 4. She and her two sisters were raised by their mother; her father died when she was 10. She marveled at

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her mother's ability to raise her and her sisters and considers her mother a role model. Brietzman is beginning general education studies at MiraCosta College in the fall.

Spalding was raised by foster families after being abandoned by her mother at three months. Her father left her mother before Spalding was born. Self-employed as a clown, Spalding described herself as "roly poly. I have unnatural red hair." Curtis, who claims to be "a little on the heavy side," also has red hair. She is studying film at Palomar College.

Though nannies are a mixed bag of human beings, they do share a common love of children. Spalding has grown children of her own; the rest of the nannies interviewed, with the exception of Gorey, plan to have children in the future.

As for eligibility, local nanny agencies consider legal citizens only. "They all have to be legal citizens or we don't use them," Pierce reported. "We do a 20-minute interview on the phone with them. Let's say 40 percent of the time when they're Hispanic they say that they're legal, and they get in here and they're not legal. We have to turn them around and say, 'We can't help you,' which is really unfortunate. What they usually do is respond to ads in the Pennysaver. If you go through an agency, expect all the girls to be legal citizens."

Another aspect of nanny legality: paying taxes. Regarding the practice of paying nannies under the table, Lofgren said, "I think it's more common than we know, but it's something that I can't get into. 'Can I pay her under the table?' 'Well, you can do anything you wish,' but technically [employers are] supposed to do Social Security. They're supposed to do the taxes." Pierce added, "We tell all the families that you have to do the taxes with the nannies, but a lot of them do it under the table, and that's totally between them. They're taking that risk, but by law you're supposed to do the taxes with your nanny."

What are nannies paid, legally or illegally? Bella Bambino Nannies, also located in Carlsbad, advertises on its website that nannies command an average salary of \$10 to \$15 an hour. Pierce's figures are more modest. "Nannies are all different,"

she said. "They range from \$8 to \$12 an hour. I can have a girl come in here, 23 years old, that has three years at a preschool, and she wants \$12, \$13 an hour. I can have a lady come in here with 10 years' experience, who's A-plus, plus, plus, been a professional nanny, who'll take \$9 or \$10. It's not based on their experience. I have families call me and they say,

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nanny right now is \$10 to \$13 an hour for live-out," Lofgren said.

Spalding came on strong on the topic of pay. "The one big thing with nannies is - pay your nanny more than a halfday lift ticket. Some people, they advertise for nannies, and then they want you to clean their house and run errands and things like that, and they pay a rip-roaring \$200 a week. If you're paying someone \$200 a week to work 40 or 45 hours a week, common sense states. 'Where is this person's esteem? Where is their anger level? Would you work for that? What does that average out? How much selfesteem would you have if you were working for \$3 an hour?'

"And these people advertise all the time," Spalding continues. "You pull open the *Union* to the Domestics section and look at the salary. I've never



Nancy Lofgren

worked for that kind of money. The average now is from \$12 to \$15 an hour. But the bottom line is, they're taking taxes out, so you break that down, what are you taking home? There's no excuse for not paying a nanny what they're worth."

So what do nannies do that is worth \$10 to \$15 an hour or more? (More than one nanny interviewed for this article reported earning as much as \$20 an hour.) That depends on the family and what the nanny is willing to provide. The ages of the children and whether the nanny lives in or out are determining factors, as well as the number of children in the household. But some nannies seem to have it better than others, who are taken advantage of and overworked.

Toner, of Leucadia, works for a family with three boys. "When I first started they were 4, 5, and 8. Now they are 10, 11, and 14." During the current school year she works mostly on Saturdays. "I would work from 8:30 in the morning till 11:30 at night during the school year. The dad coaches all of their sports teams. All the boys play basketball and soccer and baseball and have music lessons and have play dates and all that. The mom wanted to go to all their games, and they have three boys, so they need someone to shuttle them back and forth and stay with whoever wasn't playing at the time at home or take them wherever they needed to go. And at night they always have some kind of function or something on Saturdays."

Toner listed her other responsibilities, including "everything from taking care of the animals to doing small errands or watching the boys. Now that they're 10, 11, and 14, I'm more of, like, a referee. They don't need as much watching. They just need supervision with their friends; they have a lot of friends over all the time.

"In the summer I go with them up to Jackson Hole, Wyoming. They have a ranch up there, and they have guests come up, so I'm an extra pair of hands. I do whatever needs doing. I don't do any housecleaning. I cook for the kids. But it's nothing; it's breakfast and lunch. Then we get take-out for dinner."

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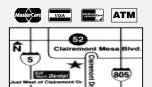
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entailed, McLaughlin replied, "Not much. I work in their office while they're working. They have so many rooms. They have a kitchen. They have a playroom that's just filled with toys and TV. And a computer. They have another room with a little crib. I've never been to their house to watch their kids. I take care of the two-and-a-halfyear-old, and we just hang out. We read books. We learn the alphabet. We go to the park and the beach. I just basically take care of her." McLaughlin doesn't prepare meals or take care of bathroom issues. "Her mom actually makes her lunch. Her mom wants to be there for her. She wants to be a mom." McLaughlin also looks after the couple's five-year-old after

school.

Johnson's load of responsibility is different. The family has two boys and a girl all under the age of five. "There's a lot of work. Pretty much everything. Getting them dressed, feeding them, picking up after them, spending time with them, playing with them, watching them the whole time. We do the grocery shopping. We do clothes shopping for the kids. We take them to activities. We pick them up from preschool. We do the kids' laundry, not the parents' laundry. Anything that pertains to the kids." Johnson said the nannies prepare all the meals for the children and eat with them. The parents do not eat meals with the children. "Usually it's

just us and the kids. The parents go out or they order in. Sometimes we all go to breakfast together, so that's kinda cool."

Most nannies spend chunks of each day carting kids from one event to the next. Play dates or school. Chauffeuring kids is a given, but sometimes it can get out of control.

Spalding remembers one young boy whose parents had overscheduled his life, and he collapsed. "I had a child that absolutely would not get in the

"They took one nanny to Europe. They took both of us to Puerto Vallarta."

play groups are often incorporated into the weekly schedule. Or maybe Mommy and Me classes or trips to Gymboree. Other possibilities: music lessons, sports, dance, academic tutoring, dropping off and picking up from

van one more time, no matter what the consequences were. He didn't care if he was going to get punished or not. He could not get in the car to do one more activity with computers and soccer and math tutoring. It was

insane. All for the sake of getting into the best schools." Spalding continues, "Early education is important and play groups are important, but don't saturate them. I've had that, and I won't go into that again with another family. That's a nightmare."

Whether a nanny's responsibilities are lightweight or all-consuming, they eventually deal with sick children. "It's critical that a nanny have a good rapport with the staff and pediatrician," Spalding advised. But with parents at work or otherwise occupied, the brunt of the health-care issues land on the nanny.

Johnson and the family's second nanny care for the children when they are

ill, taking them to all scheduled and unscheduled doctor's visits. In this situation, the nanny often feels responsibile for the children's health. "I've had a situation where they're all sick at the same time and pretty sick," Johnson reports, "and I say to the parents, 'I think we better take 'em in,' and they're, 'Okay, go ahead and do that.' So I tell them what's going on, but yet I'm kind of the one that's making the decisions; I'm the one that's taking them in. They're just sitting there giving me the okay. If I think something should be done, they never stop me from doing it. They don't take the initiative that much. There have been times when I'm telling them their kids are sick,

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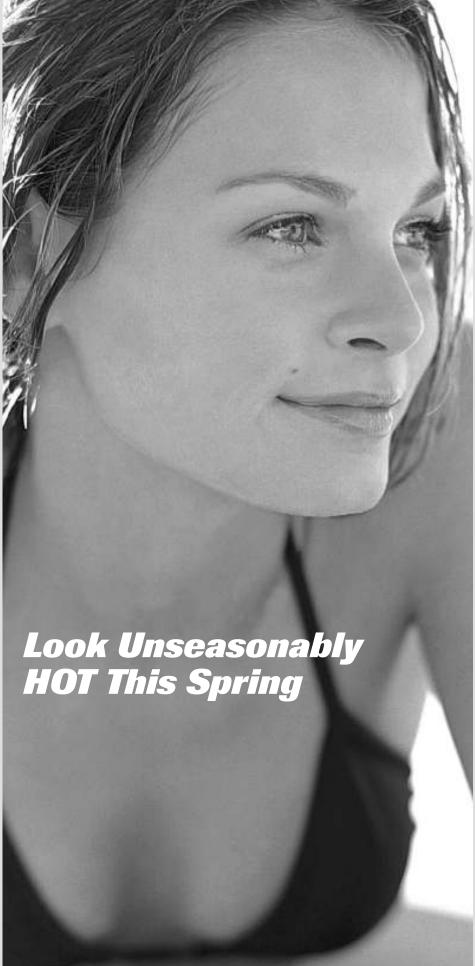
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and they're talking to me about something totally stupid, like someone they saw at a restaurant. I'm, like, 'Are you listening to me? Don't you care that your child is, like, burning up right now?' "

Besides the responsibilities of caring for the children, there is often the issue of the children themselves. The most challenging aspect of her job,

McLaughlin said, was "being patient. The most difficult thing is being patient with the little girl. She wants me to give her everything just like her mom and dad do, otherwise she cries. Her parents parent her one way, and I think I parent her a different way."

Gaining and maintaining children's respect is a hurdle as well. In a

former job, Blair cared for two girls, a nine-year-old and a six-year-old. The family was wealthy, and the children treated her with minimal respect. "They were very bossy in that family. In one instance, the parents had me driving their kids around in their Mercedes SUV, and I was filling up with gas as they requested, and I poked my head in to talk

to the kids to ask them how they were doing or whatever. The oldest little girl said to me that I wasn't allowed to have my head in the car. I had to be outside, watching the pump at all times. She's a nine-year-old girl telling me this. I go, 'Okay, I was just checking to see how you guys were doing back there.' Just little things like

But as mentioned earlier, it can as often be the parents who are troublesome. Spalding left a family when circumstances became too painful. "I had one parent whose nineyear-old wanted 15 minutes of playtime with him because the father traveled all the time. The father looked at the child and said, 'You're nothing more than a tax write-off.' So I

Johnson has mixed feelings about the parents who employ her to parent their children. "I know they're really good people and they've got really good hearts and their intentions are good, but they've never had to take care of their kids because

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According to Johnson, the emotional toll is evident in the kids. "They're building all these memories with their nannies and not with their parents. I can see it already in their kids. They don't want their nannies around; they want to be with their mom and dad alone, without these other people who aren't even related to them. You can see they long for that at times. That's what

can tear you up a little. Well, it does me. I get a bit emotional about it. It's so sad, but then I think, 'Well, at least their parents can afford to have good people to take care of 'em.' "

But Johnson does have complaints about some of the parents she's worked with. "The mother is only interested in what's going on in her little world," she explained. "And her world does not include her kids and stuff. That's what kind of bums me out and makes me think, 'I've never met a woman like you.' I've read a lot about 'em; there's a lot of people like her who don't have maternal instincts and have kids.

"I feel sorry for her. She's missing out on two things that could probably make her really happy. I don't think her life is really that happy even though she's got a lot of money. I really don't. It's really sad." And difficult, she concludes. "Dealing with the parents and their weirdness is the hardest

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stuff."

Brietzman was one of three nannies who cared for three children in a home where the father worked and the mother basically shopped. "She was coming home with bags full of things that were not necessarily needed. The children just needed extra love. There was so much going on in the family with businesses being run and dinners and all this stuff. It kind of left the children just standing there, you know?"

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X, avoids hugging her son by scooping him away from her every time he approaches her. The authors called it "the spatula." Brietzman saw a similar display in the parents, mentioned earlier, who ate separately from their children. "They were buying [the kids] things instead of giving to them. In The Nanny Diaries, when she talks about the spatula, where the kid comes running up and she just turns him around. It's just, like, why wouldn't you want to give your children love? I mean, toys are great, but

they're just things you throw away. The nurturing was what was needed. You can't buy love and affection. Children need so much love. They just need little hugs and stuff. It really wasn't very much of a family."

With this family, Bri-

etzman also found herself burdened with more responsibilities than originally specified. "I think [the mother] was overwhelmed. She was kind of frantic all the time. I was her assistant. At first it was a nanny job, and then it turned into picking up

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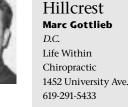
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things for her, and then me going grocery shopping and picking up dry cleaning. It turned into more than I expected. We were the housecleaners. We were the movers."

But nannying is not all work and no play. Some families are very generous and a lot of fun. Spalding once had a job in La Jolla that came with its own two-story house in another part of the upscale coastal enclave. When the parents had houseguests, their chauffeur would deliver the child to Spalding. Her home had a room for the child, plus a playroom. "Their guesthouses weren't built yet, so when he had clients in, they wanted the child to stay over there."

Acknowledging the obvious, Spalding adds, "There's a lot of idiosyncrasies in people that have that much

Spalding takes great delight in the work of a nanny overall; she finds perks in the experiences. "I'm like a big playmate, so I don't look at it as child care." She mostly loves and laughs her way through it all. "I've had several funny ones. I've had children that got their first pair of shoes and they didn't like them, so they took 'em off and pitched 'em out the window on I-5. I had to get the Highway Patrol to come help me find the kids' shoes. I come across as serious to the child, but sometimes I have to go

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got the dog to sit down on the potty chair. The side rail stuck onto the dog's bottom.

"There's nothing better," Spalding concluded, "than when the child sneaks up behind you and

takes your hand and leans in and cuddles."

Toner, who reports nothing but positives as a nanny, has also benefited from numerous perks. She has traveled extensively with the family. "We've gone to Hawaii a bunch of times. A couple of other resorts. We've gone to Arizona to watch the Padres play. San Francisco. We went on a month's trip to Italy. We were just going all the time, which meant

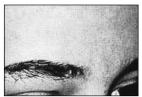
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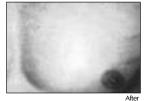


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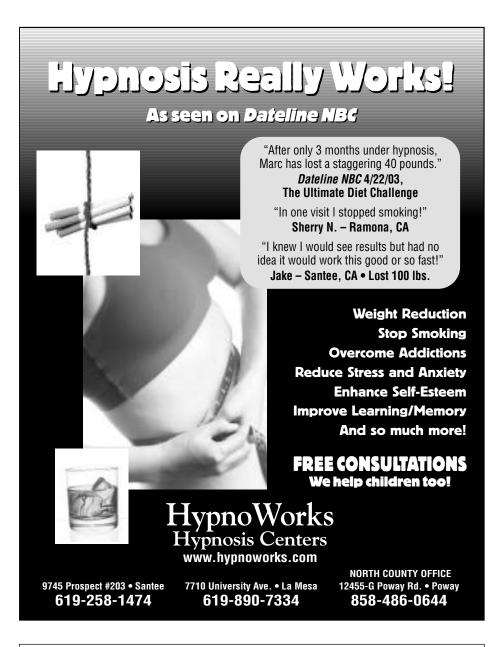
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Toner talked about accompanying her employers to their Jackson Hole ranch. "In Jackson I get time off. They want me to have fun up there and like it, since I'm with them for two and a half to three months for the summer. I can have friends visit. Anytime that I want to go do something with friends up there, they encourage it and let me take time off to go to the lake or whatever. I have my own apartment above the barn. It's so cute: a little one-bedroom, one bath. It's beautiful, actually. It works out great. I can come and go as I please."

Still, one of Toner's most cherished gifts is the relationship she shares with the parents. "Having them as role models and seeing their relationship and how their family runs has been really beneficial for me." Johnson claimed similar sentiments regarding what she receives from the children. "It's cool because I get all those rewards too. I get the everyday little things, things that they'll say that make you laugh and the love that they give you. Whether it's just randomly give you a hug and a kiss or tell you that they love you. It's a whole different feeling than I've ever felt from anything else. It's even different than when your significant other tells you that they love you, because these children really care about you and love you. They say, 'I miss you when you're not there. Oh, I'm happy to see you.' They're just adorable, and they just say the cutest stuff."

Johnson's family offered full medical benefits, but she couldn't accept because of previous health issues. But she has appreciated the travel. "We've been to Europe, to Paris. We've gone to Hawaii and Puerto Vallarta. They took one nanny to Europe. They

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took both of us to Puerto Vallarta. They took both of us to Hawaii. That was really fun. And they're so cool. They give us bonuses, even though they take us on this trip. They treat me really, really well."

Curtis is between nanny positions but enjoyed many benefits from her most recent employer. "I had a really good job, and they spoiled me. When it ended I got three weeks' paid vacation the first year. I

had full medical. I got taken on vacation with them, and it was all paid for. I had use of their cars and Sea World and zoo passes and all those little perks." The family's financial situation changed, making it impossible to employ a nanny, but a bond was formed, and Curtis continues to have Sunday dinners with them.

Gorey, who worked 11 years as a live-in, described her relationship with the parents. "I guess we were like siblings in a way, raising two kids. We were all close. We may not necessarily have agreed all the time, but we always supported each other. It was a good working rela-

tionship. They gave me the space, when I was home and in charge, to be and do, but we all had a common knowledge of what was expected. We all knew where the boundaries were, so we maintained the

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boundaries." One of the twins she cared for, Kelly Gleeson, was present during this interview. "It was cool," Gleeson said. "We kind of thought of Catherine like a second mom." They are so close that Gorey and the twins have traveled to Ireland three times together and have a Hawaii adventure planned this summer.

Toner spoke of the family she works for in glowing terms. "They're great. They're like my second family. I feel so comfortable around them. They just brought me right in. We go on vacations, and it's totally normal for me to be with them and go out to dinner. I have never felt weird or awkward with them." And regarding the three boys, "I adore them. They're like my little brothers. It's like a mix between being a mother figure and an older sister."

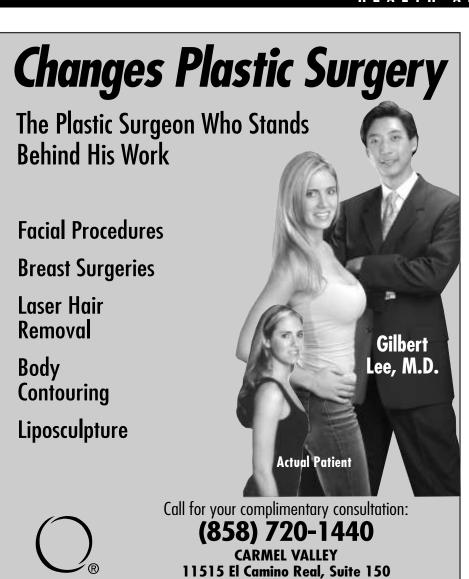
McLaughlin is also

attached to her charge. "She's really affectionate; she kisses me all the time. She has little nicknames she made up for me. She calls me Emi-La. She'll just call me Em. Nobody else calls me Em but her."

Johnson is enthusiastic about the kids she is helping raise. "I mean, I love them so much. It's so cool. It's like they're my kids, and yet I get a break from them."

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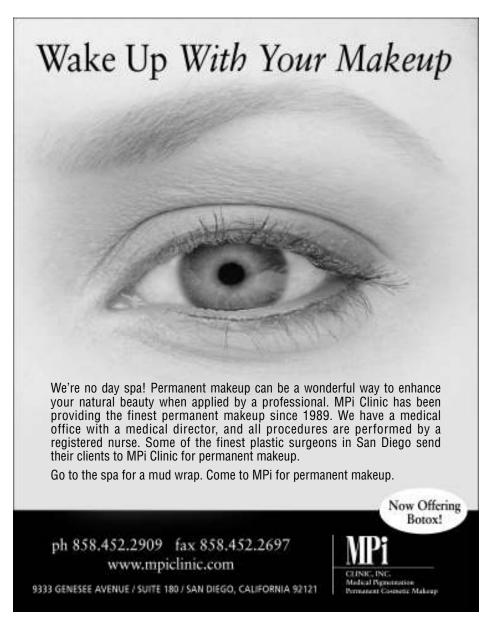
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interviewed had words of wisdom for future nannies or present-day parents.

With each family, McLaughlin tries to instill the message that they are a team. "Make sure always that you're a team mem-

ber. There is no parent or nanny. We're a team. We're all for the same goal of getting this child loved, nurtured, and becoming a viable soul."

"Children are incredible," said Spalding, who

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offered advice throughout the interview. "How you treat 'em is to treat 'em sacred. They are."

Gorey's words were cautionary. "Sometimes it's difficult to establish your own boundaries. I'm fortunate that there wasn't that much put upon me, but I did see other girls, where so much was expected for so little. You have to have the maturity to step up to the plate sometimes and voice your feelings."

Johnson also warned nannies. "The one thing that I've realized is that I really have to speak up. I really have to say, 'No, I can't do that.' When you've been with them for a really long time, you're almost a part of their family, so people will start expecting that you'll just do it because they forget that

it's a job, and so do you sometimes. You have to know where your limits are, and make sure you have your job description, and you work it out with the parents."

Blair offered lighter fare. "Have fun with the kids — not sitting there watching them play, but actually get down on the floor with them and play." McLaughlin seconded that motion. "It can be a lot of fun. Be patient. Patience is very important with all relationships that you have." Toner echoed the same thought. "Just remember to have fun with it and have patience. It can

be tough and hard and tiring, but it's a lot of fun. Remember that they're kids, and they just like to have fun and play."

Just as there is much in parenting a child, so is there sadness.

"One thing about being a nanny," Johnson reflected, "that is a real negative thing is that eventually the job ends, and you have these emotional ties to these kids, and they have an emotional tie to you. When you're not there anymore, it can be a traumatic thing. The emotional pull that you have for these kids is what keeps you there, but it is also

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going to hurt you and hurt them once it ends. I'm totally emotionally tied to them, and I worry about if I had to leave one day, what would happen and how that would make them

Spalding added, "The hardest part is when you have to leave and say goodbye. It takes me about three months to withdraw from that. You know, they're in your soul. But I don't go back. Otherwise, every single weekend I'd be visiting children."

Toner summed it up this way: "I don't ever want it to end." ■

— Shari McCullough

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Babbitt Booster

Bauder kicks Arizona's Bruce Babbitt around ("City Lights," April 29) without mentioning that he was a respected secretary of the interior under Clinton, battling to protect our west, and ran for president himself, engaging in bicycle marathons along the way. He was even associated with this writer. When I was president of the freshman residence hall at University of Notre Dame, Bruce Babbitt was the senator, and we worked together in student government before both of us ended up in the real thing — he as attorney general and governor of Arizona and me as city councilman and congressional nominee in my hometown of San Diego, decades ago.

> Mike Schaefer Las Vegas

Don Bauder responds: The column did mention that Babbitt was secretary of the interior.

How Dare She?

I have never read the Reader before. My son happened to pick it up at a store. The cover caught my eye with the baby being held ("Skateboarding Is Not a Crime," April 22).

I am a mother of six and a grandmother of ten, and when it comes to children, I am an advocate. I was dumbfounded the way this little boy Marcus was shifted from parent to grandparent and the custody issues. The poor li'l guy must have been so confused.

As I read on, I zeroed in on the words of the girlfriend and how Marcus was talked to by this person. How dare she? This child was in danger and nobody picked up on it. Just read what the one witness said her words to the child and leaving him in his room with darkness surrounding him. No love, no warmth. Just plain cruelty.

And the photo with li'l Marcus with the pit bull.

Now how crazy is that?

The li'l boy was adorable and precious, and now he's

May God have mercy on whoever killed this child called Marcus.

> B. Herson San Marcos

Seat Disappointment

I can't find Eve Kelly's "Best Buys" article from the April 22 Reader on your website. It's the most useful article we've read on installing a car seat. We are only disappointed that the person whose job it is to help people prefers to be anonymous.

> Michelle K. Gross Dan Kraiman via e-mail

Vivacious Canine

The Reader is fortunate to have a good music critic in Jonathan Saville. In past vears, he has also written drama and art criticism for you. He is a real triple-threat

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more garrulous, proud of his historical knowledge, and seems to mention his extensive CD knowledge whenever possible. He also is in danger of becoming a cheap-shot artist who can't resist an elbow in the ribs even when the play is farther down the court. Saville, like all of us, has some pet peeves, which he seems unable to resist putting down whenever possible. They are usually Schoenberg, Webern, and other 12-tone, serial, or very complex composers. The April 22 issue is a good

In discussing the Parisii Quartet, he mentions several of their recordings. One of them is the Pierre Boulez Livre pour quatuor. He labels this work "...the nastiest, ugliest, most pretentious, and most inhumane piece in the history of music...." Poor Pierre! And it isn't even on the program. But your headline writer grabbed that statement about an absent work and put this opinion up for all to see. Whoops!

example.

Like a very lively, vivacious canine, your critic may

need a mild choke collar.

Tom Nea Leucadia

Bauder Is Correct

Re Don Bauder's "They Were Lying to Me" ("City Lights," April 15).

The best of San Diego was here 300 years ago. The ocean, the climate, the agave desert necessitating the conservation of water and the spreading out of human settlement on a fragile landscape, like on a thin sheet. We survived by cisterns, fogs, and dew. Life, whether lizard, bird, or gardener, was slow. It took time to live. Afternoon breezes blew mantilla poppy blossoms and red roses to the garden.

But now the best of San Diego is turning into the best of New York City. Nobody there cares about gardens or air or sunlight or plants or animals. They live in a totally human competitive environment. When they get ready to die, they go to a quiet place like New Jersey.

The new slums rapidly being approved by our progrowth planning department are sponsored by the only voice heard by the progrowth city council.

Carpetbagger developers, landowners, and monied interests are able to move away from the mess they create, to live anywhere. But there will be a time when they cannot go anywhere but to the cesspool world their greed has created. Many of them, their heirs will ask, "How did this happen?"

Meanwhile, the callow, wet-behind-the-ears newspersons on ABC, CBS, and Fox crow about the climate, scold about the traffic tieups, and smile as they reconsider the lie of America's Finest City, the myth. Wake up!

Changes going on now for the announcers' kids, for the newcomers will be so bad, so costly, so anti-life that most will be happy to move away to Fargo.

Don Bauder is correct. The city council is listening *only* to the organized-business-and-labor coalition. The carpetbagger group will move away to any place

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But nobody, it seems, except maybe Donna Frye, is listening to those people who are stuck here, sending our kids to school with a kiss, a hug, and a mask to protect them from the bad air and traffic smog.

Richard Jones Kensington

Murder Puzzle

Regarding "Famous Former Neighbors" (April 15), did not one person proofread this factual comic?

It says Cunanan's last meal in California was April 24, 1997. The next day he went on his killing rampage. Then, to the right, it says Todd Loren was killed June 18, 1992. Then at the bottom it says the FBI says Loren was the first victim. Now, I don't recall this happening over a period of years. It's nice to read something that starts out to be factual, but let's keep it that way, shall we? Someone is not doing their iob over there.

Avid *Reader* Reader via e-mail

After Andrew Cunanan's death, police investigated the possibility that he had been involved in three unsolved murders, including that of Todd Loren, five years earlier. The FBI now believes that Loren was Cunanan's first victim. — Editor

Three-Star Charlie

Abe Opincar visited Carlsbad Community Church on a Sunday in January and wrote his review for the January 22 issue of the Reader ("Sheep and Goats"). I have personally known the new pastor, Charlie Youngkin, from Northern California, for over ten years as one of the most gifted pastor teachers I have listened to. Abe's visit was on a Sunday, before Charlie started his own sermons. There was a revival leader speaking whom Abe gave zero stars to. I was a little bit more generous myself. Yet I wish Abe could have heard Charlie. Even at 50 years old, Charlie has one of the most enthusiastic, joyful, upbeat, innocent, childlike manners, vet his sermons are scholarly, biblical, intelligent, relevant,

Christ-uplifting, and peopleministering oriented I have ever encountered anywhere in my 30-plus years of Christian experience. He has been well received, and the attendance has been growing.

The main reason I pick up the *Reader* is to see the review by Abe every week. It's very informative. I am writing because it was unfortunate that Carlsbad received the no-stars review, especially on a week related to a guest speaker. Charlie deserves at least three stars every week, and at least half of his sermons rate four in my estimation.

Jim Norton via e-mail



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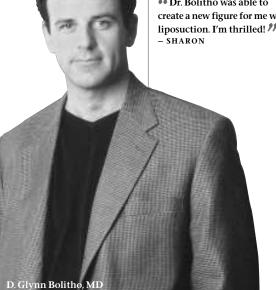
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radical proposal? Radical or not, it can be expressed in two simple, imperative sentences: "Cyclists, don't squeeze over" and "Motorists, don't squeeze past."

The National Equal Rights for Cyclists Campaign didn't invent these concepts. They're the law, says Lauren Cooper of Encinitas, the organization's cofounder and director. All they need is to be learned and obeyed.

Cooper isn't a member of the black-lycra cyclist set. "I'm not athletic," she says, adding that statistically there is little overlap between bike racers and bike commuters. "By nature I'm a couch potato. My favorite

LOCAL EVENTS activities are television and ice cream. I'm

borderline obese. And yet I'm able to bicycle 20 miles a day. I'm healthy and strong. Cycling is the true sport of couch potatoes. When the bicycle was first brought by some British officers to India, when it was a colony, an Indian diplomat laughed and said, "Trust the British to invent a way of walking while sitting down."

Cooper rides her recumbent three-wheeled model to appointments in Del Mar, Oceanside, and Rancho Santa Fe. (A retired NASA professional who moved here from Virginia, she doesn't commute to work anymore.) Several years ago, after she discovered the Uniform Vehicle Code and its "rules of the road," she began to educate herself and others. The Bicycle Commuters Roundtable this weekend is part of her effort to publicize and promote "a historic, fundamental civil right: every person may travel on public roads by their own power, in safety, and under the equal protection of the law."

Among those in whose bike-tire tracks she follows is John Forester of Lemon Grove. "Almost all of this field is based upon Forester's work," she says. "His book is *Effective Cycling*," now in its sixth edition. "But he's a bit of a curmudgeon, so the message hasn't gotten out to the public."

Cooper wants motorists to know she isn't combative. She doesn't blame them for most of the 550,000 bike accidents a year; 500,000 of them are

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Laura Cooper signaling on recumbent trike

falls. "No car involved."

Of the remaining 50,000 car-bike situations, blame is split 50-50. "Half are caused by cyclists not using the rules of the road, and half are caused by motorists not using the rules of the road. But motorists have training in using them. Cyclists don't. So [these accidents] are partly society's fault."

Here's what Cooper wants cyclists to do. Don't squeeze right, because doing so invites motorists to squeeze past. "If you squeeze right, your lane position communicates to motorists that you want them to squeeze past. If you're a couple of feet out, that sends

the message that you're moving with the flow of traffic."

There are other reasons not to squeeze right. "Cyclists often pass on the right; that's why many get what we call 'right hooked' when a car turns right, in front of them. Cyclists should pass on the left, just like cars."

Cyclists shouldn't squeeze right when passing parked cars, either. "There is a danger of getting 'doored' if you stay to the right in that instance. Instead, you should ride out beyond where a door could hit you."

What if a cyclist can't go as fast as traffic goes? "The speed limit isn't

something you have to maintain," Cooper says. "It's not a crime to go below the speed limit, although many drivers think it is." There is a minimum speed only on interstates. "That's why you don't see cyclists out there."

As for motorists: "The speed limit is what they are allowed to do under ideal conditions, and if there is a cyclist in the road, that's not an ideal condition, so they are required by law to slow down."

What if a cyclist wants to turn left? Should he or she squeeze left? Not doing so may cause motorists to stop completely. Then what? "All motorists and all cyclists create delays. It's not a crime in either case," Cooper says. "When motorists wait to make a left turn, when they stop to parallel park, everybody behind them comes to a halt, including cyclists. Everybody is slightly inconvenienced by everybody else. Cyclists should take the full lane whenever necessary for

What do San Diego police think of Cooper's proposal? She hasn't approached them yet. "We're still doing groundwork, getting state police organizations on board." Among her campaign's endorsers so far are police in Florida, Colorado, and Virginia.

Getting motorists' support may be a more onerous task. "Or die trying" is a phrase that comes to this reporter's mind. Cooper is undeterred. She considers it a "myth" that if cyclists slow motorists, those motorists will run, accidentally or otherwise, those cyclists down. "Getting hit from behind rarely happens. Bicycling with traffic is safe for those who operate by predictable,

vehicular rules. Most motorists would feel traumatized if they injured someone. Many are actually afraid of cyclists."

— Jeanne Schinto

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OUTDOORS

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Wild Lilac (ceanothus) is currently blooming mostly at elevations higher than 4000 feet in San Diego County. Blossom colors



Schindler's List at Saint Paul's Cathedral, May 8 (see Film)

range from pure white to various shades of blue or lavender. Some fine examples may be seen along the upper Noble Canyon Trail in the Laguna Mountain Recreation Area atop Mt. Laguna.

Lowest Tide for the month of May, measuring -1.5 feet, occurs Thursday morning, May 6, at 5:22 a.m. If you missed this moment for an early-morning zoological exploration of the lowest intertidal zone, tomorrow's low is nearly as good, and it's a little later in the morning, too. On Friday,

May 7, the tide dips to -1.4 feet at 6:17 a.m.

Planet Venus "Falls" Toward the Sun during the month of May, losing both its blazing brightness as well as its high altitude in the west — as viewed in late twilight on successive evenings. Currently nearly as bright as it can ever be (magnitude -4.5), Venus will plunge to such a low position in the sky by late May that it will scarcely be visible over the horizon after sunset.

What's happening is that

Venus, which moves faster around the sun than Earth does, is racing to a spot precisely between the sun and Earth. When Venus reaches that spot, June 8, the planet will pass in front of the sun, a long-awaited "Venus transit." Such transits only occur about two times every century. We're out of luck for the coming transit, as it will occur during nighttime hours for the West Coast. Prime viewing spots for the June 8 Venus transit are in Europe, Africa, and Asia.

Two Comets are vying for the attention of amateur astronomers this month. Comet NEAT, with an expected magnitude of 2 or 3 (marginally visible to the naked eye in darker suburban locations), is visible at dusk this weekend, some 20 degrees above the southwest horizon. The comet's tail, if visible, will stretch upward and to the left — away from the sun, as always.

On Sunday, May 9, and Monday, May 10, Comet NEAT lies a few degrees to the left of the bright star Procyon. Binoculars will improve the view tremendously. The second comet, dubbed Comet LINEAR, will appear best in the evening sky during the last few days of May, low in the west-southwest as darkness is falling. Comet LINEAR is expected to be

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Anza-Borrego Institute Field Programs continue with "Salton Sea visitors' center and Dos Palmas Oasis" exploration on Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. "Celestial Navigation in Blair Valley," also on 8th, 7:30 to 11 p.m. Fee, space availability, reservations: 760-767-0446. (ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK)

Asian Pacific Historic District Tours offered on the second Saturday of each month, including May 8. Tours start at 11 a.m. at Chinese Historical Museum (404 Third Avenue). \$2. Required reservations: 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

Wild, Wild West, naturalist Dorothy Klitzing leads 3.5-mile walk, discussing past cattle use and current animals found in Daley Ranch, Saturday, May 8. Hike starts at 9 a.m. in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Banish Invasive Plants, tend California natives, weed native plant gardens with Friends of Famosa Slough around treatment ponds at urban wetland, Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to noon. Meet at corner of West Point Loma Boulevard and Famosa Boulevard with work clothes; bring work gloves and tools if you have them. 619-224-4591. Free. (POINT LOMA)

Elderberry Blossoms and Miner's Lettuce are found along trail to be hiked Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, May 8, 9, 12, at 9:30 a.m., in Mission Trails Regional Park (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free. 619-553-6275. (MISSION GORGE)

Explore the Native Plant World around Mission Trails Regional Park's visitors' center with



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Second Saturday Nature Walks at the Reserve, San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy hosts walk featuring migratory birds and native plants, Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. Free. Directions: 760-436-3944. (CARDIFF-BY-THE-SEA)

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Monthly Beach Cleanup hosted by San Diego BayKeeper and Surfrider, Saturday, May 8, at Pill Box Beach. Meet on beach next to lifeguard tower at 9 a.m. Free. 619-758-7743. (SOLANA BEACH)

International Migratory Bird Day celebrated on Saturday, May 8, at Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Guided

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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. \$45. (ANZA-BORREGO DESERT STATE PARK)

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Chopped Liver makes the music, Joseph Pimental calls for contradance on Friday, May 7, at Trin-



"Hero-Saint-Sinner: The Ambiguities of Viktor Frankl" at Congregation

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International Belly Dance **Show** featuring Nabila (from Lebanon), Sandra (from Tunisia), Sohaila, Adam, Talia, Lucia, the Oriental Jewels, Friday, May 7, 8 p.m., at Woman's Club (2557 Third Avenue). \$20. 619-405-2308. (MISSION HILLS)

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FILM

Out of the Ashes, an evening of architectural films on Antonio Gaudi and Santiago Calatrava and a presentation by James Hubbell promised on Thursday, May 6, 6:30 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Hubbell's home and art studios in Santa Ysabel were destroyed during autumn wildfires. \$10 general. 760-632-5565. (LA JOLLA)

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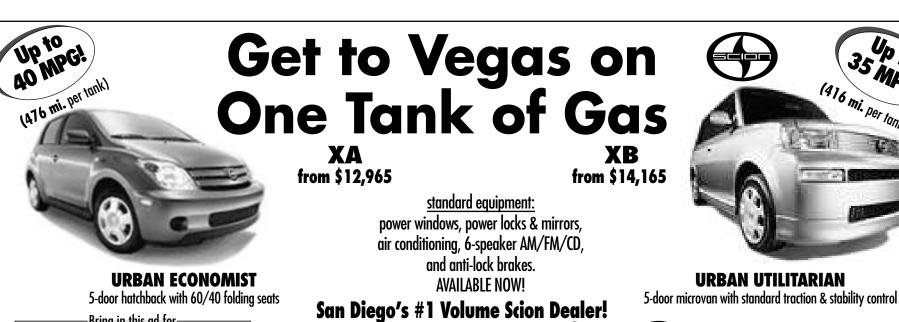
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"Freaky Friday" screens on Saturday, May 8, 8 p.m., at Santee Trolley Square's outdoor amphitheater (at Mission Gorge Road and Cuyamaca). Free. 619-596-5677. (SANTEE)

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"Sultans and Sufis." curator Kelsev Bostwick tours current installation of South Asian paintings for Insight Gallery series at San Diego Museum of Art on Thursday, May 6, 6 p.m. Included in regular admission, 619-696-1966, Repeats on Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m.

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"Six Minutes of Mars Landing" discussed by JPL chief engineer Wavne Lee during Taiwanese American Heritage Week celebrations on Saturday, May 8, 7 p.m., at Taiwanese American Community Center (7170 Convoy Court). 858-560-8884. (LINDA VISTA)

One-Day Refresher and beginning genealogy course taught by Margaret Read for North San Diego County Genealogical Society, Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Materials provided. Free. 760-757-0528.

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110 of Peterson Building at UCSD. Admission to "Western Response to Genocide" is free. 619-596-4332. (LA JOLLA)

Giuseppi Verdi's La Traviata discussed in a multimedia presentation by Ron Shaheen, Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m., Schulman Auditorium, Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-434-2904. (LA COSTA)

"How to Start Your Own Business Doing What You Love to Do" led by B. Shigley, Saturday, May 8, 1 to 3 p.m., at Premise Intelligence Agency (949 West Hawthorn Street #11). \$40. 619-322-3665. (LITTLE ITALY)

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"One Family in Harmony" at Lyceum Theatre, May 9 (see In Person

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"The Last True Outlaw Journalist: Greg Palast" speaks for "Matters of Controversy" dialogue series, Sunday, May 9. Palast works for London Observer; he'll reveal cases of "malfeasance in high places" and sign books, Program starts at 7 p.m. at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). 858-459-4650. \$5. (HILLCREST)

Bicycle Commuters Roundtable, discuss joys, benefits, and problems of bicycle commuting, Sunday, May 9, 6 p.m. at Orpheus Park (480 Orpheus Avenue). Free. 760-753-2531. (LEUCADIA)

"California Natives" discussed by David Fross of Native Sons Nursery for San Diego Horticultural Society on Monday, May 10, 6:30 p.m., at Surfside Race Place at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Talk followed by plant forum. Free. 858-756-2579. (DEL MAR)

"Hero-Saint-Sinner: The Ambiguities of Viktor Frankl" explored during lecture by Timothy Pytell of CSU San Bernardino, Monday, May 10, for New Perspectives in Judaic Studies lecture series. Talk starts at 7 p.m. at Congregation Dor Hadash (4858 Ronson Court). Free. 619-594-5338. (KEARNY MESA)

Professional Songwriters Lynn Gillespie Chater and Kerry Chater present workshop hosted by Nashville Songwriters Association International, Monday, May 10, 7 p.m., at Piano Press Studio (1425 Ocean Avenue #6). Free, Required reservations: 858-884-1401. (DEL MAR)

Discover the Best Hikes in Your Own Back Yard during talks planned at Adventure 16. Get the scoop on Monday, May 10, at 4620 Alvarado Canyon Road (619-283-2374); on Tuesday, May 11, at 143 South Cedros (858-755-7662); and on Wednesday, May 12, at 2002 South Coast Highway 101 (760-966-1700). 7 p.m. (MISSION VALLEY, SOLANA BEACH, OCEANSIDE)

Outdoor Survival Clinic led by former Air Force "global survival instructor and wilderness guide" Gene Ward on Monday, May 10, 7 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive). Ward is said to go "beyond personal survival kits." Free. 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

"Art and Music of the Renaissance" explored by Konrad Overhuber and Musica Pro Arte Ensemble in series at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Concert/lecture series illuminates important moments in European cultural development of the Renaissance.

Series continues with look at period of 1450-1500 on Tuesday, May 11, 7:30 p.m. \$17. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"Family Websites" illuminated by Tom Underhill when Computer Genealogy Group of North San Diego County Genealogical Society meets Tuesday, May 11, 1 p.m., in Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-744-7530. Free.

"India: Its Standing in the World" discussed by SDSU political science professor Dipak Gupta for North County chapter of World Affairs Council, Tuesday, May 11, 7:30 p.m., at Rancho Bernardo Swim and Tennis Club, 16955 Bernardo Oaks Drive). Free. 858-487-1776. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

"English Census Records." June Hanson speaks for English Interest Group of British Isles Genealogical Research Association, Wednesday, May 12, 10 a.m., at LDS Church Family History Center (4195 Camino del Rio South). Free. 619-583-8352. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Intro to GPS" offered Wednesday, May 12, 7 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive). Free. 858-279-4400. (KEARNY MESA)

"Is Iraq Bush's Vietnam?" Discuss topic at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue), Wednesday, May 12, 7 p.m. Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

"Invasive Species: How Plant Pathogens Have Changed the World" explored by Pat Nolan from San Diego County Department of Agriculture when Point Loma Garden Club gathers on Wednesday, May 12, 10 a.m., at Point Loma Masonic Center (1711 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard). Free. 619-276-0209. (POINT LOMA)

Explore "The New Age of **Photography"** when Michael Campos speaks Wednesday, May 12, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Thursday Evenings at the Wieghorst," series begins with look at differences between original art, prints, lithographs, and other reproduction methods by art specialist and custom framer Lynn Endicott. Talk starts at p.m. on Thursday, May 13, at Olaf Wieghorst Museum and Western Heritage Center, 131 Rea Street. \$12 general. 619-590-3431. (EL CAJON)

Urban Scenarist and Architect Craig Hodgetts speaks for series co-hosted by Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego and American Institute of Architects, Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m. at the museum, 700 Prospect Street. Tickets: \$7 general (includes gallery admission). 619-232-0109.

IN PERSON

"1928: A Very Good Year" presented in period attire by William Doyle — in the guise of businessman and philanthropist George Marston — for "History Alive at Lee" series, Thursday, May 6, hosted by Lemon Grove Historical Society. Program starts at 1 p.m. in H. Lee House (3205

Works in Progress may be heard when members of Sisters in Crime meet to read from their works, Thursday, May 6, 7 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). \$3. 760-735-9313, (HILLCREST)



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Spring Reverb, a multistage festival of original music, dance, and art presented by Tummerflora Collective for Thursday Night Thing (TNT), at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown (1001 Kettner Boulevard), Thursday, May 6, 7 p.m. Donation: \$3. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

"Bonanzas from Broadway" presented for annual "President's Concert" featuring Palomar Symphony Orchestra, Chorale, and Chamber Singers. Program includes arrangements of tunes from musical theater.

Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8, in Howard Brubeck Theatre at Palomar College (1140 West Mission Road). \$12 general. 760-744-1150 x2453. (SAN MARCOS)

"Sweet and Lowdown: Evenings of Pure Gershwin" presented by KT Sullivan and Mark Nadler for "Cabaret in the Park" series, May 7-9, at San Diego Museum of Art. Shows begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. \$25. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

"Life's Not Fair." comedic sketches performed at Vaudeville & Candy Shoppe (2031 El Cajon Boulevard), Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8. \$13. 619-647-4958. (NORTH PARK)

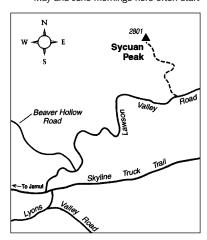
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May and June mornings here often start



with a thick layer of stratus clouds hugging the coast and extending inland to as far as Jamul and Alpine. On such mornings you may have the pleasure of punching through these soupy, flat-lying clouds as you climb, emerging on top in full sunshine.

Find the trailhead by following Lyons Valley Road east from Highway 94 in Jamul. Your car ascends gradually at first, then labors as the main road becomes the straight-but-steep Skyline Truck Trail. (The old, curvy Lyons Valley Road branches right

and later returns to Skyline Truck Trail, a worthy alternate route for sightseeing.) Beyond the first summit on Skyline Truck Trail, make a left on Lawson Valley Road. Wind about on this road for 2.5 miles, observing the mix of older ranch properties and the newer estatestyle housing that's popping up nearly everywhere out beyond the county's suburbs. At a point 100 feet past the 2.5-mile marker on Lawson Valley Road, note the rough road ascending on the left side. Park wherever the road shoulder is wide enough to accommodate the width of your car, and head on foot up this rough road.

The low-growing chaparral vegetation hereabouts allows unobstructed views that get more panoramic as you are ascending on the old road. At one spot the roadbed becomes severely eroded, but you can bypass that nasty section on the right side.



Sycuan Peak summit

If you find yourself immersed in the earlymorning cloud cover and there's nothing to see, just take pleasure in the distant, plaintive cries of peacocks rising from somewhere down below. Nearing Sycuan's summit, the ineffably fragrant scent of Cleveland sage suffuses the air. You may find some still-flowering specimens of this grayish plant right alongside the trail.

An airway beacon stood just west of the summit in the 1950s, when the peak was labeled on maps as "Sequan Peak." Disused electrical lines installed to serve this facility still climb to the summit. A visual survey from the topmost boulder on Sycuan Peak reveals nearby Loveland Reservoir in the northeast, Lyons Peak looming in the southeast, and (when the mists clear) a big chunk of the urban area to the west.

> Celebrating 50 Years of Spring Concerts, the South Bay Union School District's instrumental music program presents reunion on Friday, May 7, 6 p.m., in auditorium at Mendoza Elementary

School (2050 Coronado Avenue). Past district musicians and directors encouraged to sit in. Free. 619-424-0182. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

Italian Consul General and Author Diego Brasioli presents his novel Il Caffè di Tamer on Saturday, May 8, 6:15 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free. 619-237-0601. (LINDA VISTA)

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). (ESCONDIDO)

Crystal Vibrations Ensemble in concert, Saturday, May 8, 7 p.m., at Shanti Yoga Center (Lumberyard Shopping Center, 897 South Coast Highway 101). Bring seating. \$15. 760-471-7304.

The Morehouse College Glee Club appears in concert on Saturday, May 8, 8 p.m., at Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center Performing Arts Theatre (6611 University Avenue). \$24.50 general. 619-266-0370 or 760-945-0141. (ROLANDO)

Illuminating Sections of the Gospel of Thomas, scholar Robert Powell signs Christian Zen: The Essential Teachings of Jesus Christ on Saturday, May 8, 2 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Sam Hinton Folk Heritage Festival 2004 is Saturday, May 8, at Grossmont College (8800 Grossmont College Drive).

rock band" provided by Dennis DeYoung (former singer and songwriter for band Styx) and his five-piece group, Broadway vocalists, and San Diego Symphony, Friday, May 7. Concert

starts at 8 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$39.50, \$59.50. 619-235 0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Former Marine and CEO ${
m Nick}$ Williams signs Behind the Mountain, describing his experiences surviving a blizzard in 1998, on Friday, May 7, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real: 760-943-6400). Free. (ENCINITAS)



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Evening concert, 7 p.m., featuring Jeff Moats, Kate MacLeod, Sparky and Rhonda Rucker. \$15. 858-566-4040. (EL CAJON)

"Old Wine in New Bottles: Forgotten Stories of the Old World" divulged when Pat Ryan tells "stories that inspired Shakespeare" for Storytellers of San Diego on Saturday, May 8. Program begins at 7:30 p.m. in Manchester Conference Center, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Suitable for adults and those over 12. \$7. Reservations: 619-289-6363 or 619-260-4585. (LINDA VISTA)

The Time-Travel Paranormal Novel *Dreamquest* signed by author Janet Wellington on Saturday, May 8, 2 p.m., at Romance World (854 Jackman). 619-588-5494. Free. (EL CAJON)

"All-Female Standup Comedy Revue" on Saturday, May 8, 8 p.m., at Holiday Inn (1355 Harbor Drive). \$20. 619-454-1205.

Mysterious Galaxy Celebrates

its 11-year anniversary on Saturday, May 8. Visiting authors include Louise Marley, Barbara Seranella, Emily Toll (a.k.a. Taffy Cannon), Dennis McKiernan, Gyle Lynds, appearing individually from noon to 4 p.m. Find the Galaxy at 7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747. Free.

"One Family in Harmony," Mother's Day Jewish music concert, Sunday, May 9, 7 p.m., at Lyceum Theatre. Performers include Israeli vocalist cantor Yaakov Motzen, the Freilachs, San Diego Men's Jewish Choir. Tickets: \$36, \$48. 858-535-1196. (DOWNTOWN)

"Mother's Day Celebration: Music of the Masters" presented for "Second Sundays" series hosted by San Dieguito Performing Arts Association, May 9, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Palomar Jazz Band and flutist Lori Bell perform works by Ellington, Kenton, others. Free. 760-944-1840. (LA COSTA)

Vocal and Instrumental Jazz Standards, both sacred and secular, on program when Point Loma Nazarene University's Vocal Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo perform Sunday, May 9, 3 p.m., for concert series at St. Mark's United Methodist Church (3502 Clairemont Drive). Offering. 858-273-1480. (CLAIREMONT)

Pianist and Windham Hill recording artist Liz Story performs for "Sunday Night at Lamb's" concert series, May 9, at 7 p.m., at Lamb's Players Theatre, 1142 Orange Avenue. \$32. 619-437-0600.

The San Diego City Guard Band performs for lawn program at International Cottages on Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Point Loma Nazarene University Jazz Band presents final concert of season for San Diego Mini-Concert organization on Monday, May 10, noon, in Lyceum Theatre at Horton Plaza. Free. Bring your lunch. 619-236-1980. (DOWNTOWN)

Read Your Poetry, selections by someone else, or just listen during open poetry reading, Monday, May 10, in Green Room at Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard, at Madison). Sign-ups at 8 p.m., open readings 8:10 to 9:30 p.m. Free. 619-296-0616. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

"Americana: A Journey
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presented by Philharmonic Wind
Quintet on Wednesday, May 12,
7 p.m., at Earl and Birdie Taylor
Library (Pacific Beach Library;
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features works by Stephen Foster,
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British Mystery Author
Dorothy L. Sayors wrote a series of
12 radio plays for BBC about the
life of Jesus Christ. Parishioners
present reading of last play in series, set between the Resurrection
and the Ascension, on Wednesday,
May 12, 7:30 p.m., at St. Michael's
by-the-Sea Episcopal Church
(2775 Carlsbad Boulevard). Offering. Light dinner served at
6:30 p.m. RSVP for dinner:
760-729-8901. (CARLSBAD)

Magee Park Poets Poetry Reading featuring Clifton King, followed by open reading, Wednesday, May 12, 7 p.m., in community room at Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-434-2881. Free. (CARLSBAD)

Poet, Civil-Rights Activist, Playwright, Maya Angelou discusses her life and work for Smart Talk lecture series, Wednesday, May 12, 7:30 p.m., at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). Tickets: \$33-\$83, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS).

"Is Your Parent in Good Hands? Protecting Your Aging Parent from Financial Abuse and Neglect" discussed and signed by attorney and author Edward Carnot when he visits Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue) on Thursday, May 13, 7:30 p.m. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Mystery Author Julia Spencer-Fleming signs *Out of the Deep I Cry* on Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

People's Choice Concerts, Thursday and Friday, May 13 and 14, 7:30 p.m., at MiraCosta College Theatre (One Barnard Drive). Course culmination show with students performing original songs and covers. Two music videos debut; audience members vote on "best music video." \$8 general. 760-795-6815. (OCEANSIDE)

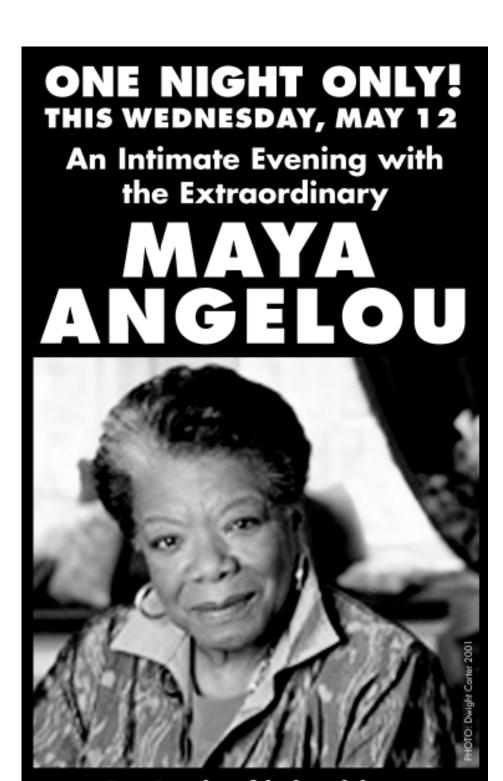
"Why Nations Go to War" revealed when USD international relations professor Gerard Stoessinger speaks and signs books on Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

NPR's (Recently Reassigned)
"Morning Edition" Host Bob
Edwards signs and discusses his book
Edward R. Murrow and the Birth of
Broadcast Journalism on Monday,
May 17, at 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's
Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue;
858-454-0347). Free. (LA JOLLA)

Always Worth Reading and hearing from, William Langewiesche visits Warwick's Bookstore to sign and discuss his new book, The Outlaw Sea: A World of Chaos, Freedom, and Crime, Friday, May 21, 7:30 p.m. Find the shop at 7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347. Free. (LA JOLLA)

"Whad'Ya Know?" (Not much, you?) Michael Feldman brings his comedy quiz show to San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street) on Friday, May 21, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$23 to \$98, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). Resulting program airs on KPBS-FM (89.5) on Saturday, May 22. (DOWNTOWN)

Gotta Love Dave, comedian Dave Chappelle performs Tuesday, June 1, 7:30 p.m., in RIMAC Arena at UCSD. Greer Barnes opens. \$30. 858-534-5259. (LA JOLLA)



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SPORTS

Del Mar National Horse Show. 59th annual three-week show of competitions, instruction, and displays concludes with Hunter Jumper Week events through May 9.

The \$25,000 Surfside Grand Prix: Thursday, May 6, 7 p.m. The \$25,000 Show Circuit Open Equitation Championship: Friday, May 7, 7 p.m. The \$75,000 HBO Grand Prix of Del Mar is Saturday, May 8, 7 p.m. Tickets through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS).

All events are held in Del Mar Arena at Del Mar Fairgrounds, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard. Free weekday admission, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Reservations and information: 858-792-4252. (DEL MAR)

San Diego Padres are in Atlanta for a game against the Braves on Thursday, May 6, 10:05 a.m. Road trip continues with games in Florida against Marlins, May 7-9, at 4:35 on Friday, 3:05 on Saturday, 12:05 p.m. on Sunday.

The Pads head home to host Pittsburgh Pirates in Petco Park, Tuesday through Thursday, May 11-13, at 7:05 p.m. each night. Tickets: 877-374-2784. Games broadcast on radio station 1090 AM, television channel 4. (EAST VILLAGE)

Arthritis Walk, Saturday, May 8,

Bay. Registration at 8:30 a.m., walk at 10 a.m. Donation. 858-492-1090. (MISSION BAY)

Supermodified Racing League, Twin Grand American modified, WRA vintage race cars race at Cajon Speedway on Saturday, May 8. First race: 6:45 p.m., following qualifying runs at 5:15 p.m.

The 3/8-mile track is located next to Gillespie Field, at 1888 Wing Street. Adult admission: \$9 (west side) and \$10 (east side); \$3 for those 6 to 12; free for kids under 6 with an adult. 619-448-8900. (EL CAJON)

Saturday Pleasure Ride and lunch with Knickerbikers bicyclists on Saturday, May 8. Thirty-mile ride for intermediates starts at 9 a.m. at Morley Field (on Texas Street at Upas Street). 619-298-9584. (BALBOA PARK)

"Our Warriors. Our Veterans." tenth annual Running the Red Road event, sponsored by Native Americans Council, Saturday, May 8. Starts: 5k at 7:30 a.m., 10k at 7:35 a.m., at Presidents Way and Park Boulevard, 619-298-7400.

Bring Your Four-Legged Friend to San Diego Humane Society's tenth annual 3k Walk for Animals, Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to noon, at Fiesta Island, Registration: 7:30 a.m. Details: 619-243-3441, (MISSION BAY)

Everything's Cricket, San Diego Cricket Club/UCSD Cricket Club first team hosts International Cricket Club on Sunday, May 9. Third team hosts Eagles Cricket Club. Games begin at 10 a.m. and last until about 5 p.m. (bring lunch) at UCSD's Warren Field. Free. 619-518-1596. (LA JOLLA)



The Ahn Trio at Poway Center for the Performing Arts, May 8 and 9 $\,$

Surf Ride/CUSUS Surf Competition, Saturday, May 8, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., on south side of Oceanside Pier. Free for spectators. 760-722**Tuesday Night Bicycle Racing** has resumed at San Diego Velodrome, including May 11. Racing: 6:20 to 8:30 p.m. Free for spectators. Find velodrome at 2221 Morley Field Drive. 760-703-6280. (BALBOA PARK)

Kayak Tours on Mission Bay offered every Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m., starting at 1548 Quivira Way, Bring a flashlight, No experience necessary. \$15. Reservations: 619-523-9577. (MISSION BAY)

Olympic Selection Trials for equestrian sport of show jumping set for May 14 and 15 at Del Mar Arena, Del Mar Fairgrounds. Four riders starting here will represent the U.S. at Olympic games in Athens, Greece. Trials begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, at 1 and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets: \$10 per day, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DEL MAR)

Overland 122 Relay, only 500 ten-member teams will be allowed to participate in this event, a 126-mile relay run from Borrego Springs to pier in Oceanside. First team starts at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 15, last team departs at

12:45 a.m. on Sunday, May 16. Details, space availability: 760-692-2900. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

Spring Fling, 2004 San Diego Open Disc Golf Tournament runs Saturday and Sunday, May 29 and 30, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Morley Field Disc Golf Course (3090 Pershing Street). Course offers long holes, wooded holes, tight fairways, tricky putts. Finals on Sunday. Free for spectators. 619-692-3607. (BALBOA PARK)

SPECIAL

Manzanita High-Mountain Rendezvous, with costumed characters from period spanning French and Indian War through North American fur trade era, runs Thursday through Saturday, May 6-8, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Demonstrations of "primitive skills," tomahawk and knife throwing, tipis, target shooting, more.

Tickets: \$3 general, free for those ten and younger. To reach encampment, follow Red Buffalo signs from Highway 79 at Mesa Grande Road; site is 2.5 miles up Mesa Grande Road. 760-745-2927. (SANTA YSABEL)

Pottery, Glass, and More on offer during annual Palomar College spring student art sale, May 6-8, next to Howard Brubeck Theatre. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Find the campus at 1140 West Mission Road; 760-744-1150 x2302. (SAN MARCOS)

International Gem and Jewelry Show, May 7-9, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Exhibitions of gems, minerals, iewelry; celebrity exhibits, estate jewelry, vendor booths. Hours: noon to 6 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. \$6. 561-998-1995. (DEL MAR)

"Spring Fever" presented by Julian Arts Guild, May 7-10, in Julian Town Hall (2129 Main Street). Viewing hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Friday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday. Free. 760-765-2399. (JULIAN)

Old-Time Davs Book Sale on May 7 and 8 at Lemon Grove Middle School (on School Lane). Hours: 4 to 9 p.m. on Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday. 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

"Rainbows Across the Pacific." Asian Pacific Island American Heritage Festival, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, May 8 and 9, at Presidents Way

and Park Boulevard. Arts and crafts, food, live entertainment. Free admission, 858-565-6698.

Art in the Valley, Carmel Valley Artists host 41st annual spring show and sale, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Saturday, May 8, at Karl Strauss Brewery Gardens (9675 Scranton Road). Thirty-eight artists exhibit work in variety of media. Free admission. 760-945-6922. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Mariachi Festival Sin Fronteras in Crummet Park on Saturday, May 8. Mexican entertainers, mariachi bands, arts and crafts, food. Concert ends with fireworks at midnight. Tickets: 760-357-

PB Block Party, 29th annual Pacific Beach Block Party, Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., on Garnet Avenue (from Mission Boulevard to Ingraham Street). Eight live music stages, carnival rides, street performing artists and groups, arts and crafts booths, kids' fun zone, food and libations. Admission: free, 619-641-5823, (PACIFIC BEACH)

Taiwanese-American Heritage Week celebrated with culture and food fair on Saturday, May 8, 4 to 6 p.m., at Taiwanese American Community Center (7170 Convoy Court). Traditional Taiwanese cuisine, game booths. 858-560-8884.

Valley Center Arts and Music Festival, featuring Backroads Bluegrass, Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., at Valley Center Parks and Recreation (28246 Lilac Road). Lots of live music (Tim Flannery, the Laurel Canyon Ramblers, Silverado, Susiz Glaze, more), music workshops, arts and crafts, book signings by local authors, food booths, children's activities, more. Admission: free. 760-749-8852. (VALLEY CENTER)

Faculty and Student Art Sale at Arts College International (840 G Street), Saturday, May 8, noon to 5 p.m. 619-231-3900. (DOWNTOWN)

Bowers of Flowers, time for Spring National Rose Show hosted by American Rose Society, May 8 and 9, at Town and Country Hotel and Convention Center (500 Hotel Circle North). Sales, exhibits, lectures. Hours: 1:30 to 6 p.m. on Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. \$5. 619-588-8893. (MISSION VALLEY)

Family Chocolate Festival, Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). Pounds of chocolate to sample (50 cents per taste), lectures, cooking demonstrations, vendors, children's activities. Included in regular admission fee (\$8 general). 760-436-3036.

"Cobble Walls and Canyon Rims," sixth annual Mission Hills Garden Club Garden Walk featuring 25 gardens (17 walk-ins, 8 walk-bys), Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Self-guided tours begin at Mission Hills Nursery (1525 Fort Stockton Drive). Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$20 day of walk, 619-543-9388, (MISSION HILLS)

Historic Home Tour of seven Banker's Row abodes on Saturday, May 8, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Selfguided tours start at Chula Vista Heritage Museum (360 Third Avenue). Participants may drive themselves or take free trolley. \$23 fee includes tea. 619-427-8092.





Parent of a College-Bound Kid? Head to Center Hall at UCSD on Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., for a "Parent Expo...for College!" Parents invited to spend day learning about, preparing for funding college educations. Free. 858-534-4250, (LA JOLLA)

Parrot Show, sponsored by Parrot Education and Adoption Center, noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 8, at San Diego Natural History Museum. Adoptable cockatiels, Amazons, cockatoos, macaws, more (no parrots "adopted directly" from expo). Fees: \$8 general, \$6 seniors, \$5 children, includes museum admission. 619-287-8200. (BALBOA PARK)

Save the Bay, hosted by San Diego BayKeeper, Saturday, May 8, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Bonita Cove. Event includes Paddle for the Bay IV, water sport product demonstrations, environmental education, live music, bay cleanup. 619-758-7743. (MISSION BAY)

Victorian Tea Party and fashion show, Saturday, May 8, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Granger Music Hall (1615 East 4th Avenue). \$15 per ticket, \$25 for two, benefiting National City Historical Society. Required reservations: 619-474-8905. (NATIONAL CITY)

Festeiando a las Madrecitas.

14th Annual Festival of Beloved Mothers, Sunday, May 9, noon to 5 p.m., Holiday Park (found on Pio Pico Avenue, between Carlsbad Village Drive and Chestnut Avenue). Children are encouraged and assisted in expressing their love for their mothers through the

arts. Artist-led crafts activities, en-

tertainment, food for sale, flowers,



Parrot Expo at San Diego Natural History Museum, May 8 (see Special)

and cake. Free, 760-434-2904.

The Flower Fields boasting 50 acres of giant ranunculus flowers are blooming again, open for tours through Sunday, May 9. Stroll pathways through fields from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Admission: \$7 general, \$6 seniors, \$4 for chil-

dren, Exit I-5 at Palomar Airport Road, head east for two blocks, turn left on Paseo del Norte Road. 760-431-0352. (CARLSBAD)

The Epiphyllum Society hosts botanical show on Sunday, May 9, in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free, 619-239-0512, (BALBOA PARK)

Discover the Magic of Opera during San Diego Opera backstage tour of La Traviata on Tuesday, May 11, at 5:30 p.m.; and on Sunday, May 16, 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.

"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. Jazz guitarist Peter Sprague presents short informal recital on Wednesday, May 12, 12:30 p.m. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

San Diego Solar Homes Tour 2004, visit over 25 homes powered by the sun all over county featuring solar electric power (photovoltaics), solar water heating, solar pool heating on Saturday, May 15. Self-guided tours: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. RSVP: 858-244-1195. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

"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 at San Diego Natural History Museum through Sunday, May 16. \$8 general. 858-492-5009. (BALBOA PARK)

"Looking at Lincoln: Political Cartoons from the Civil War Era" are on view through Friday, May 28, at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Exhibition "invites viewers to put aside 21st-Century assumptions and look at events through the eyes of people living in an era when racism was deeply ingrained in American life." Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

"From Prodigy to Polymath: The Singular Journey of Edward Gorey" is traced in retrospective exhibit continuing through August in donor corridor of San Diego State University's Love Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Show spans Gorey's entire life; many of the pieces have never been displayed before. Free. 619-594-6791.

The Commandant's Quarters at Naval Training Center (NTC, 2735 Rosecrans Street) is site for San Diego Historical Society's Showcase 2004, open for public tours through June 6. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, with hours extended to p.m. on Thursdays. \$20. 619-533-7355. (POINT LOMA)

"Reading Roundup: Images About Libraries and Books," an exhibit of paintings by R.A. Zuckerman, is on view through Friday, June 18, in Palomar College Library (1140 West Mission Road). Free. Viewing hours: 760-744-1150. (SAN MARCOS)

"Alice in Circusland," Fern Street Circus returns to Balboa Park for 14th annual show, Friday through Sunday, May 21-30. Multiple aerial artists, comedy balancing, magic, juggling, tumbling, clowns, high wire, knife spinning,

Find the open-air circus at and 29; and at 1 and 4 p.m. on

May 23 and 30. Tickets: \$12 for adults, \$6 for children. 619-235-9756. (BALBOA PARK)

FOR KIDS

"Ritzy Rosey and Bitsy Blossom Turn Over a New Leaf' when comic ventriloquist Lynn Trimble takes stage through Sunday, May 9, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: Puppet Express presents Flower Fantasy,

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 Musical My Fair Lady performed by Coast Kids Theatre through May 9, at Star Theater (402 North Coast Highway). Actors 8 to 18 are featured in the

production.

Performances begin at 7 p.m. Friday through Sunday, with 2 p.m. matinees on Saturday and Sunday. Tickets: \$12 general, \$10 seniors and students, \$5 for those 12 and younger. 760-944-0116. (OCEANSIDE)

Clifford's Happy Mother's Day celebrations, Saturday, May 8, 11 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). 760-943-6400. Free.

Make Mother's Day Cards and listen to stories on Saturday, May 8, 11 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760.

Choo Choo! The Chula Vista Live Steam Club provides train rides, noon to 3 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, May 8 and 9, at Rohr Park (4548 Sweetwater Road). Donation: 25 cents, 619-421-5227, Chil-

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Make Water Rockets when San Diego Aerospace Museum hosts Family Day workshops, Saturday, May 8, at 12:30, 1:30, and 2:30 p.m. (sessions last 45 minutes). Vistiors from Mars Society on hand to run San Diego Mars Rover. Included in paid admission. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

Consider Germs when San Diego Natural History Museum hosts classes on Saturday, May 8. Ms. Frizzle focuses on "What's Under Your Skin" for those four to six years old, 10 a.m.

Those in grades one through three look at "Invisible Invaders" at 1 p.m. Fee for either class: \$13. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

"Mother's Day Musical **Storybooks"** provide theme for San Diego Symphony Family Festival Series concert, Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m. Lullabies, storybook tales. Musical petting zoo prior to concert. Adult tickets: \$10, \$20; children, \$5. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

"Out of This World," Sesame Street Live hits San Diego Sports Arena to answer the question, What happens when Martians land on Sesame Street?" Performances at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 10; at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, June 11; at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, June 12; and at 1 and 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 13. Tickets: \$13, \$17, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

MUSEUMS

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

Bancroft Ranch House Museum

houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area, run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National

Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; 619-469-1480. (SPRING VALLEY)

Barona Cultural Center and Museum, over 40 baskets created by women from several local reservations are gathered in "The Legacy of Our Mothers: Indian Basketry of San Diego County," continuing through November. Find the museum at 1095 Barona Road; 619-443-7003 x2. (LAKESIDE)

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

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

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

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

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

TWO POEMS BY AMY GERSTLER

Hymn to the Neck

Tamed by starched collars or looped by the noose, all hail the stem that holds up the frail cranial buttercup. The neck throbs with dread of the guillotine's kiss, while the silly, bracelet-craving wrists chafe in their handcuffs. Your one and only neck, home to glottis, tonsils, and many other highly specialized pieces of meat, is covered with stubble. Three mornings ago, undeserving Sinner though she is, yours truly got to watch you shave in the bath. Soap matted your chest hair. A clouded hand mirror reflected a piece of your cheek. Vapor rose all around like spirit-infested mist in some fabled rainforest. The throat is a road. Speech is its pilgrim. Something pulses visibly in your neck as the words hand me a towel flower from your mouth.

A sweeping gesture, a sweeping defeat. The hills sweep greenly down to the river. Swept out to sea, swept off her feet. The wind swept clay tiles from the roof into the pool. Searchlights swept the valley all night. Blight swept Europe. The sweep of her hair made me weep all afternoon, till I was tired and ill. She made another silly, sweeping gesture that knocked the peonies to the floor, shattering grandma's vase into tiny, teeth-sized pieces, Litter, Debris, The sweep of a machine gun. Terrible scenes that can't be swept from memory so easily. He swept into the room, blowing smoke rings, snickering at some private bon mot. We swept the election. Broad sweeps of jasmine tremble at the forest's edge. Come lie down with me on that rumpled shrub bed. The hem of your nightdress will sweep the wet leaves.

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

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

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

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. The museum also features wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art. Find the museum on the Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West, 619-670-5194, (RAN-CHO SAN DIEGO)

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

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

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

Magee House Museum, built in 1887 and surrounded by rose gardens, the site includes "one of the last barns still standing in Carlsbad." Docent and self-guided tours of historic house and gardens. Find Magee House at 258 Beech Street; 760-434-9189.

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

Museum of Making Music,

"Hands on the Future," on view through June, offers opportunity for visitors to play and experience a variety of musical instruments, "many just recently introduced to the public." Visitors can scratch and spin records on a DJ/mixer setup, sample modeled guitars on the Variax, use Apple's Garage-Band software, play a Yamaha Clavinova.

The past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Find the

museum at 5790 Armada Drive: 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

Ramona Pioneer Historical Society and Guy B. Woodward Museum is a complex of historical buildings, including the Verlaque House (the only Western adobe home of French provincial design still in existence), wagons, antique exhibits, and artifacts. There is a cowboy bunk house, women's clothing and accessories from 1700 to 1800, a ranch blacksmith shop and tack room. The Casey Tibbs Memorial Exhibit is dedicated to Tibbs, a local resident who was a world-champion rodeo rider. The Bancroft Memorial Rose Garden is on the grounds. Rare documents, historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

Find it all at 645 Main Street. 760-789-7644. (RAMONA)

San Diego Aerospace Museum, the technological advancements made in aircraft propulsion over the last century are showcased in "100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the Spitfire and P-51 Mustang fighters; and a rare German Junkers Jumo 004, one of the world's

first operational jet engines. Concurrently, see "The History of Commercial Aviation in America." A new section of the exhibit celebrates the 40-year history of PSA, with original graphics, a re-creation of the airline's first ticket booth at Lindbergh Field, and uniforms and memorabilia donated by former employees. Ongoing.

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

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

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

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FROM THE DUST JACKET: Sly and sophisticated, direct, playful, and profound, Amy Gerstler's new collection highlights her distinctive poetic style. In 37 poems, using a variety of dramatic voices and visual techniques, she finds meaning in unexpected places, from a tour of a doll hospital to an ad for a CD of Beethoven symphonies to an earthy exploration of toast. Entertaining and erudite, complex yet accessible, these poems will enhance Gerstler's

reputation as an important contemporary poet.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Kirkus Reviews: Thirty-seven poems limning the acclaimed poet's abiding interests: love and mourning, science and pseudo sciences, séances and magic.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Amy Gerstler is a writer of nonfiction, poetry, and journalism whose work has appeared in numerous

magazines and anthologies, including the *Paris Review, New Yorker*, and *Best American Poetry*. In 1990 her book *Bitter Angel* won the National Book Critics Circle Award for Poetry.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: I called the poet Amy Gerstler and asked her to read to me. I wanted to hear one of the poems from her new book, *Ghost Girl*. "Falsetto" begins with the lines, "A guy with a heavenly singing voice like Al Green's / can make you believe he's being melted alive, liquefied / by pure yearning. The result is a kind of bee-less sung / honey." Gerstler's own articulation, as she reads to me, comes out calm and relaxed. She sounds refreshingly unaffected, no vaunting, no rapping, no pretentious hesitations, no Bob Dylanesque artificial twisting of the voice. Her poem arrives from her as easy as a breeze or softly running water, humming like some natural verbal formation, if there is such a thing.

bal formation, if there is such a thing.

I've just read and re-read *Ghost Girl*, and I've been marveling at how the poems seem like they arose right beside me, right out of the life that I've been looking at all along, whether or not I saw the poetic potential that Gerstler's poems found nesting there. "Ode to Toast," "An Offer Received in This Morning's Mail," and "Hymn to the Neck" are three of the poems in her new book.

I want to know how Amy Gerstler does what she does. When the poems aren't coming, I ask her, how do you find them? How do you recharge your batteries?

"Well, that's the million-dollar question. I think everybody has his own or her own methods, and I think you're asking because you're a writer and it's always a problem, or intermittently a problem. I knew this writer once who said that he thought most writers go through two phases. They go through productive output phases, and they go through intake phases, where they're not writing, but they're gathering information or something. So sometimes you find yourself on intake mode, and I think the things that I try to remember, although they're hard

to remember, are to not get mad or upset or freaked out, or to think that it's over forever, to remain calm, and to think, 'Oh, good, now I get to try to fill myself up with things that I find interesting and curious.' So, for me, I think that means reading a lot, and reading a lot of different things, and going to the movies, and going to the library and checking out a lot of weird books, and making lists of things that I'm interested in, and carrying a little tiny pad of paper around everywhere, so that if things strike me that people say or I see on a billboard or hear on the radio, then I'm able to write them down."

Yes, I tell her. I think that her poems seem like they're always taking notes, like they're arranging notes from many disparate places. But I want to know: when it comes time for her to orchestrate an actual *poem*, how does she do it?

"My schedule for the various jobs I have is sometimes a little bit erratic, so I don't get to sit down at the same time every day. I have to sit down to write when there is time. I think the act of writing poems is *similar* every time, but never exactly the same. I think it depends what I'm working on. Different things that you work on sort of have a life of their own. So certain things are note-based, and some things are not, and some things kind of jump off from one line, or maybe a title, and sometimes a title maybe doesn't arrive until the end; some things require research; and sometimes you get into an emotional state, and sometimes it's more like you're doing a puzzle or something.

"I don't think there's anything wrong with having a lot of different things that you can do. I mean, if you can do that as a writer, because your taste is broad or something, I don't think there's anything wrong with that. I think that's great."

I want to know what kind of poetry influences Gerstler's own work

"I like all kinds of poetry: stuff that's very technical, and stuff that's emotional, and stuff that seems really beautiful, and (continued on page 92)

San Diego County Sheriff's

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

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an inter-

active toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading.

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

San Diego Natural History Museum, "Plant Portraits: The California Legacy of A.R. Valentien" features 80 watercolors of native California plants painted in early 1900s. Valentien was commissioned by Ellen Browning Scripps to paint "all the wildflowers and plants of California" and traveled the state for next ten years collecting specimens. The exhibit — continuing through Tuesday, September 7 — includes examples of Valentien's Rookwood pottery, landscapes in oil, historical photographs, personal artifacts.

"Feathered Dinosaurs and the Origin of Flight," continuing through Tuesday, September 7, is described as "the largest display of significant fossils regarding the origins of birds ever shown outside of the People's Republic of China." The fossils on display are from Liaoning Province in northeastern China, rich in fossils dating from more than 120 million years ago. Exhibit includes 34 original fossils, 15 life-sized sculptural restorations of fossils, historical models, over two dozen large photomurals and graphics.

"Fossil Hunters San Diego" shows how museum's paleontologists hunt for local fossils — what they look for, tools they use, how fossils are excavated and transported, how they're prepared and studied. Through 2005.

Also on view: "Natural Treasures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giant-screen films" include Wildfire: Feel the Heat (through Sunday, July 11), Ocean Oasis, exploring Mexico's Sea of Cortés and the Baja California Desert. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

San Dieguito Heritage Museum, the museum offers informative displays on the North County coastal history including Native Americans, early homesteaders, and recent times, as well as photographic collections and archives. Find the museum 561 South Vulcan Avenue; 760-632-9711.

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

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and

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

Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing marine life of the Pacific Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a twostory-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

The aquarium is located at 2300 Expedition Way (off North Torrey Pines Road, south of La Jolla Shores Drive). 619-534-FISH. (LA JOLLA)

Wells Fargo Bank History **Museum**, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working telegraph for visitors to send and receive messages. Short films on California and Wells Fargo history; a gold display, part of the collection assembled by Wells Fargo agent Samuel Dorsey at the end of the 1800s; an exhibit of Concord Coach #251, a restored stagecoach built in 1867; and the Davies watch. The museum is located in the reconstructed Colorado House, at 2733 San Diego Avenue. (OLD TOWN)



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other stuff that seems fragmented and discordant. And I like when a writer will do a lot of those things in one piece. And I like a lot of the different definitions of poetry. You know, like Emily Dickinson talking about if it makes her feel like the top of her head is coming off, or William Carlos Williams saying, 'If it ain't a pleasure, then it's not a poem.' And then there's the difference between my taste as a reader and what I'm trying to do as a writer. I do want my work to engage people and be both affecting and maybe entertaining in some way. But I think I might have a larger taste as a reader than is demonstrated in my work. I mean, I like formal poetry, but I don't write very formal work. There are a lot of people whose work I read who I think are great and wonderful, but I wouldn't necessarily want or even be able to do the things they do in their work. And then there are other people whose work I read and I feel very closely akin to. I always feel, when I'm talking about writers who influence me, that I should say I wish they would influence me. I don't know if they actually do. But I really like lots of writers. James Tate, Tom Clark, the poet Ai, Anne Carson, Sylvia Plath, Frank O'Hara.'

I have this sense, from reading Gerstler's poems and from talking to her, that she holds some interesting notions about what it means to write poetry,

and about what it is to be a poet.

"I'm always thinking about that and not thinking about that, what it means to be a writer and what it means to be a poet, at different moments in my life, because I think it changes, just like what I think it means to be human, or what it means to try

"Poetry has a really bad rap in contemporary America. People think it's going to be really cornball or they're not going to be able to understand it or both."

to be a good person. I'm always wrestling with that. I think being a writer means to have this practice where you try to write well, and you try to connect through language in different ways with the parts of what it means to be human, and to set them down and express them in ways that are helpful to you and maybe helpful to other people, whether it's meaningful or beautiful. I really like the old idea of poems, particularly, having a weird kind of use-value, like they used to have in ancient times, as spells or incantations. Writing poems now, I think we have a much less literal interpretation of use-

"It's not like people in the tribe come to you, and you recite something that rhymes over them, and they get better, or they can have a baby where they

couldn't before, or their neighbor stops bothering them, or something.

Or I feel depressed, so I read this poem, and it makes me feel better. (I'm latching my own words onto Gerstler's.)

Exactly. That's an effect that literature definitely has on me, that I learn things from it, and/or it expands my thinking, and/or somehow expands my emotional capacity, and/or there's a cathartic effect, a mindto-mind link, like a Vulcan mind-meld or something. It can happen between a reader and a writer, and it can be of use, and it can keep you going, or it can express something that one needs to express, or help us make a connection, or help us understand something. I hate to use the word epiphany it's so overused, and I think most people think it's kind of sentimental now — but that does happen to me as a reader.

"I do think, unfortunately, that poetry has a really bad rap in contemporary America in a lot of circles, and people think it's going to be really cornball or they're not going to be able to understand it or both. But I think it's important to develop a sense of your audience, and to avoid things like blatant sentimentality, and to work through questions about accessibility if that's an issue for you. Some people work on these things partly by showing their work to other people - having sounding boards who they trust.

How do you find that I wondered. Especially when you're new to a city and aren't part of a writing program.

"That's really hard. It's



always a challenge to find those kinds of colleagues and people of like mind literarily. You have to make a special effort, particularly when you're in a new place, and/or you're not in a position where that is automatically given to you, like if you don't work in a university. in the writing department. So I think you just have to put yourself and your work out there and frequent and haunt the places where people like that tend to hang out. Go to a lot of readings, participate in readings, join writing groups, go to writing centers, and then, maybe..

You find one or two. "Yes. And then maybe they each know one or two.3 And who are those one or

two readers for Gerstler?

"You know, it's a problem in my life, too. I don't really have that many readers who I can show work to. It would be useful, I think, if I did. But I am married to a fiction writer, so I can sometimes show work to him."

Gerstler's husband is the fiction writer Benjamin Weissman. He usually writes short stories, although he's working on a novel now. He has a brandnew book of short stories that's doing very well. It's called Headless.

What's that like? I want to know. What's a day in the life for two married writers?

"Well, in this household it's two writers who both teach and do journalism, so, um, we're in and out at the various schools where we teach, and sometimes also having deadlines, and reading a lot of student work. There's three dogs and a cat here, so there's a zoo-like quality. On most days, Benjamin gets up earlier than I do because he still has this farm-boy physiology and, unfortunately for me, I don't. I'm kind of a sleepaholic. He has some days where he has early classes, where he's out very early, and other days he teaches later stuff. Most of my stuff is in the middle of the afternoon. Sometimes we have what we like to call reading parties here, because he has, like, 9000 pages of student work to read and mark up, and so do I. So then it's very quiet in the house, and the dogs are walking around going, 'Why are you guys just sitting there staring at those pieces of paper which we would like to tear up?' So. There's that. And there's squeezing in working on our own work. We both try to go to the gym some, so that you don't just end up being a brain on a lollipop stick. The house is very messy. There are millions of books crammed every which way into bookshelves. Which I keep saying that I am going to hire a student to help organize, or do myself, some summer. I don't know if this is giving you very much of a day in the life. You know, a lot of time is spent sitting in front of computers.'

So when does she get her own work done? The poems must come together relatively quickly when they do.

"Well that would be nice! But you know, the years do go by. I'm not 20 anymore. With varying results, I've been at this for a very long time. And it is what I love to do. And I have these other jobs, which I enjoy, and which are very interesting,

but I have them to support the writing. And I'm constantly scheming how to sleep less, or how to win the lottery, or get more money with less hours put in, so that I could write more and read more.'

How does Gerstler feel about her latest book?

"Well, I'm very happy to get published. I'm not quite sure how I feel about it. I'm happy that it's out; I'm happy to get published, but I feel restlessness lately, that has to do with wanting to push my work further and in some different directions. So I think it's a transition time for me. Also, people have been saying stuff to me about the work being entertaining or something like that, and in a way that's interesting and funny to me, because that book and the book before it are. I think, in a way, elegiac. Or they have some poems in them that are about death or loss or grieving or something like that. And so I feel like, I don't know, it's time for me to make a leap. A change and a leap."

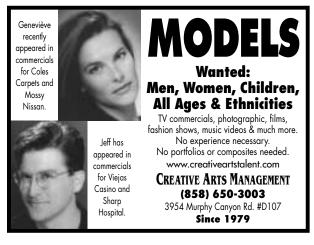
Into?

"Well, that's where it's especially scary because I'm not exactly sure. I'm working on a book of essays, so I'm hoping that might be a part of it. I want to write more prose, and I also want to push the poetry in different directions. I want the work to deepen and grow, although that sounds like the biggest cliché on the planet, and it's not very specific. I mean, every artist wants their work to deepen and grow.

"One of the big paradoxes of writing is figuring out what your relationship is at that moment between freedom and control. You want mystery and surprise, but also with a certain amount of technique and steering. I like this thing that Elizabeth Bishop said, that she thought good poems should have accuracy, spontaneity, and mystery. And the spontaneity and mystery are in that camp of not knowing what's going to happen, and the thing kind of seeming like it has a life of its own, rather than the poem just validating itself or coming to some kind of expected conclusion. But the accuracy is important, too, that the poem not just be some sort of unshaped flailing. Although unshaped flailing, I suppose, could also be kind of interesting." ■

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All Aboard

Felix Fan's accomplishment was brilliant.

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elix Fan's cutting-edge Muzik3 festival offered a stunning program of...well, what? To call the pieces performed at The Other House "music" would be too confining. These were *Gesamtkunstwerke*, in which sound, sight,

movement, and drama all played their parts. What was most striking, aside from the quality of the works themselves, was the perfection of the performances, in which precision, imagination, and

which precision, imagination, and sheer theatrical presence were equally mixed.

The first work on this program (which was only one of several in the series) was Steve Reich's Different Trains. In retrospect, many of Reich's earlier compositions, written under the influence of Terry Riley's In C, seem like warming-up exercises for this authentic American masterpiece. He always had the relentless rhythmic propulsion characteristic of that bizarre school we call 'minimalism," and his refined feeling for utterly clear and distinct tone colors (chiefly of percussion instruments, or non-percussion played percussively). He always adhered to diatonic harmonies of the most elementary sort, a very American characteristic that Wilfrid Mellers has characterized as a response to the open spaces of the continent. His aesthetic — in the typical minimalist fashion — always sought excess: excess of length, excess of repetition, excess in the persistence of the same compositional devices beyond all reasonable measure (so that to listen to some of Reich's early works from beginning to end you need infinite patience — or a slightly smaller quantity of cannabis).

For a long time, these traits were only gimmicks, as was the device of forcing a repeated motif to grow gradually more and more off-phase in various vocal or instrumental lines — a device that imparted tremendous kinetic energy to the musical discourse, like a bunch of machines in a factory. Reich's works were exciting, even dazzling, but impersonal and empty: heartless, soul-less, and meaningless. He could have gone on this way, as some other minimalists have done. But, strangely enough, Reich gradually became more human, connecting his music to real life and to the meanings that emerge from being-inthe-world. By 1988, the year of *Different Trains*, he was at last finding subjects that could pro-

foundly exploit the potential of his formidable technical talents.

There are essentially two subjects at the core of *Different Trains*. The first is trains. Reich discovered in the sound of trains and in what it feels

like to travel on them the content that his style had always been searching for. The rhythmic propulsion, the repetition, the endlessness, the counterpoint of

different mechanical sounds, the energy, the openness — these aspects of his music found their natural home in the world of locomotives, rails, cross-country travel. Building on the inherent possibilities of the musical devices, Reich radically widened the scope of his musical expression. Just as a train goes sometimes fast, sometimes slowly; heaves its way out of a station, rattles through crossings, roars through tunnels, hums through flat countryside, calls out in the night; always the same, yet always changing; a mechanism, yet a mechanism enclosing human beings who watch, listen, eat, sleep, are stimulated, are lulled, are bored, are thrilled — so Reich's habitual musical textures acquire greater variety, greater inventiveness. Rhythms change, sometimes radically; meter is altered; the sounds take on fascinatingly different colors, from section to section; the counterpoint that represents the varied elements of the train and the ride becomes so intricate as to be mesmerizing (but without the coldly mathematical quality of Reich's phase-shifting compositions, such as the 1977 Violin Phase); there are dramatic key changes (we are a long way from the obsessive standing-in-place of a work like Music for 18 Musicians, which could just as well have been titled In A); and the harmonic language becomes infinitely richer, with amazing beauty and vitality in the successive repeated chords. It is only in its origins, its repetitiveness, and its drive toward excess that this music can be called minimalist. Obviously, it never sounds like Richard Strauss; but it is nevertheless music of immense fullness.

Reich's is not the only 20th-century music taking its inspiration from trains. There are such colorful tone poems as Honegger's *Pacific 231* and Villa-Lobos's charming *O tremzinho do caipira* ("The Little Train of the Brazilian Countryfolk"). But these are external portraits, merely

picturesque. Reich, while making use of many of the same devices, gives them at once deeper abstraction and more vivid realism. His aim is not to depict trains as objects but to reproduce the sensations of being on a train for a long period, the physical, emotional, and spiritual experience of train-traveling. He has less in common with the Honegger and Villa-Lobos pieces than with Thomas Wolfe's descriptions of trains as essential elements in the poetry of the American psyche.

One of the ways Reich achieves this effect is to introduce real train sounds of the period (the clacking of wheels, the rattling of cars, the wail of the locomotive whistle), and to mingle them with the playing of four string quartets (three recorded, one live), which at times imitate the sounds, comment on them, and turn them into music. The tape used at the Muzik3 concert was presumably the one originally developed by Reich himself, in which the three string quartet parts were overdubbed by the Kronos Quartet (the printed program should have indicated this). The live quartet was Fan's "raw fish" (the name may derive from the group's performances at Sushi during earlier seasons, and the lower case tells us that this is an avant-garde group), composed of violinists Jennifer Frautschi and Nurit Pacht, violist Peter Bucknell, and Fan himself on cello. The dizzying interaction of recorded noise, recorded music, and the playing of the four musicians on stage was wonderfully enhanced by the quality of "raw fish, necessarily the most prominent part of

the ensemble, and in their accuracy, spirit, and musicianship every bit the equal of the Kronos.

The composer's most ingenious device for giving concrete human meaning to Different Trains was his way of introducing the human voice into the musical fabric. He extracted from taped interviews brief fragments of speech: "from Chicago to New York," "from New York to Los Angeles," "one of the fastest trains," "the crack train from New York," "different trains every time..." He then built musical phrases on the intonations of the spoken phrases, and intermingled the words, spoken in distinctive voices (an elderly Pullman porter, the composer's own elderly governess), with the same motifs played by a cello or a viola. The musical material thus grows out of these banal but utterly real bits of talk; and at the same time, the bits of talk seem to arise out of the music, reflecting it, and giving



Steve Reich

Steve Reich, Different Trains
The Other House (Muzik3)

it linguistic articulation.

This is quite a different procedure from what one hears in song or opera, and it is possible only because Reich's music (as opposed to Verdi's or Jerome Kern's) can be receptive to the trivial and unmusical rhythms and pitch-patterns of everyday speech. Indeed, he makes the most of this unpromising material. "From Chicago to New York" is spoken by Pullman porter Lawrence Davis on two pitches, a minor third apart; and Reich uses that interval, constantly reiterated by the instruments, as an effective way of communicating the sadness that so often underlies long-distance travel, the feeling of displacement, of vulnerability, of being lost in the huge land-scape that is speeding by.

The voices, the words, and the meticulously chosen train sounds anchor *Different Trains* in a specific time: the 1930s and '40s. The first of its

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three continuous movements is a reminiscence of Reich's own cross-country train rides as a small boy, traveling with his governess between New York and Los Angeles, where his separated parents lived. The atmosphere of rootlessness and

desperation that emerges from the hectic music no doubt owes much to memories of the composer's own emotions in that unsettling period of his life.

The second movement goes even more deeply into the anguish of a particular historical reality. The venue now is Germany, and the trains are those that transport the Jews of Europe to Nazi work camps and death camps. The speakers are

survivors, who after the war emigrated to America. Reich's own Jewishness, his similarity in age to Rachella, Paul, and Rachel, and the fact that while he was shuttling between his divided parents these other young Jews were being uprooted from their families and schools in a far more dire way, gives a special resonance to the words and their musical echoes in this second movement: "and he pointed right at me," "into those cattle wagons," "and then we went through these strange sounding names," "they tattooed a number on our arm," "flames going up to the sky..." Trains are fast, exciting, numbing; they take us away from love and security: they take us into the unknown: and in the unknown is the threat of death. These are the themes that connect Reich's experience with that of the refugees, and that give coherence to the successive sections of Different Trains (which are different, yet not so different).

At the time of the work's composition, Reich suggested that it began a new musical direction for him, which he expected to lead to "a new kind of documentary music video theater." This indeed would

come to pass in subsequent Reich compositions: The Cave and Three Tales. Different Trains, however, remained ripe for visual enhancement, and some 16 years after it was composed Felix Fan took up Reich's suggestion. Himself traveling the country and taking pictures, he assembled a video to accompany the performance of the music, and that is what the audience beheld at the Muzik3 concert.

Fan's accomplishment was brilliant. Combining realistic footage of stations and railroad yards with impressionistic blurs of landscape glimpsed through windows of speeding trains, the images now clear and literal, now indefinable abstractions of light and shadow, Fan managed to recreate the perceptions of a train rider, as the hours lengthen, fixation on interesting sights alternates with periods of out-of-focus attention-wandering, an only intermittently grasped reality flickers by, and the endless motion and constant change and hypnotic sameness lull the mind into the unique state of breakneck stasis Reich's music itself attempts to induce. And all this precisely coordinated with the tape and the score, so that the visuals seemed not added to the music but inseparably blended with it. The blending was intensified by the placement of the musicians, all dressed in white, in the line of the projector, so that the video was projected on their bodies as well as on the screen, with their shadows (and the shadows of their instruments) looming as black silhouettes on the swiftly shifting images.

In the first two movements, Fan's video adhered closely to the personal and historical meanings Reich explicitly intended: the poignant Americana of the first movement, the threatening Nazi ambience of the second (although some of the supposedly German industrial landscape looked a bit too much like New Jersey), culminating — in the evocation of the crematoria with a terrifying sequence of almost abstract flame shapes cascading upward. The third section, "After the war," was something of a muddle, however. Here, in addition to further images of trains speeding across the vast continent (for we are once again in America, and several of the verbal phrases from the first movement reappear), Fan introduced allusions to current history, with pictures of Donald Rumsfeld and other Bush-administration figures. Since these people are exactly what they look like, nothing further was needed to shift the focus to political satire. But Different Trains is not political satire, and its third movement has nothing to do with Donald Rumsfeld.

For one thing, the central preoccupation of Reich's piece is the Holocaust, an event that took place half a century ago, before anyone had heard of Rumsfeld and company, and at a time when trains were an appropriate symbol for the energies and dangers of the modern industrial world. If you were to compose a music video about the same elements

in the world we are living in today, you would invoke planes, not trains. But the chief error in this portion of Fan's video is that, although the third movement takes place at an unspecified moment after World War II, its viewpoint is completely retrospective. The spoken texts are dominated by a reminiscence of the camps by Rachella, who by this time is safe in the United States. "There was one girl, who had a beautiful voice," Rachella tells us on the tape (her intonations imitated by the instruments). "and they loved to listen to the singing, the Germans, and when she stopped singing they said, 'More, more,' and they applauded.

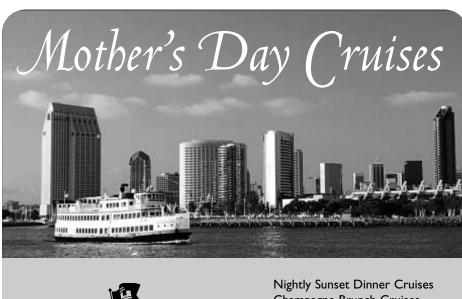
It is implied that the singer, whose art gave some passing pleasure to the camp personnel, was ultimately one of their millions of victims — and the ineradicable pain of such a loss is embodied in the music that ends Different Trains, where for the only time in the work the propulsive energy falters, and the trains stumble to a halt. This is the heart of Reich's great work: the power and freedom of America, from New York to Los Angeles, juxtaposed with the girl whose beautiful voice was stilled by injustice and cruelty that cannot be forgotten. And where could we see that in the third section of Felix Fan's otherwise splendid video?

Not to worry. The video, as Fan told me after the performance, is a work in progress, which means that with further work the third section can be brought up to the level of imagination and insight visible throughout sections one and two. It would have been silly to expect a greater degree of perfection at this stage, for although Fan has been a wonderful cellist for two decades, as a video artist he is still in training (as it were).

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kind of avant-garde art: a dance piece with the mysterious title "D.A.V.E." It deserves its own article, which you can read next week. ■

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The Velvet Bones trombone quartet performs Thursday, May 6, 7 p.m., for Escondido Library's First Thursday series in Turrentine Room (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

on the events section.

"A Sacred Journey Through the Ages" promised when USD Choral Scholars perform in concert on Thursday, May 6, 12:15 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall, at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Motets and spirituals representing eight centuries of sacred music! \$8 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)

Concert Pianist Richard Collier and soprano Pia perform in concert on Friday, May 7, 8 p.m., at Avalon Gallery (3803 Ray Street). 619-293-7080. Tickets: \$5 in advance, \$7.50 at door. (NORTH PARK)

"Old World, New World," Hutchins Consort presents Janáček's "Suite for Strings," "Handel Variations" by Rackley, "Fantasia in C Minor" by Mozart, "Libertango" by Piazzolla, Friday, May 7, 8 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Ensemble plays on eight scaled violins of violin octet designed and built by luthier Carleen Hutchins. Tickets: \$29 general, \$15 seniors, \$10 students. 760-632-0554. (LA JOLLA)

Expect a "Unique Rock Experience" combining "impact of a live orchestra with the edge of a rock band" when Dennis De-Young (former singer and songwriter for group Styx) performs with his five-piece band, Broadway vocalists, and San Diego Symphony in concert on Friday, May 7. Concert starts at 8 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$39.50, \$59.50. 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Twentieth-Century Choral Masterpieces performed by USD University Choir, Friday, May 7, 8 p.m., in Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). \$8 general. 619-260-4171. Concert repeated on Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m. (LINDA VISTA)

Carlsbad Music Festival includes concert by California Ouartet and Calder Quartet on Friday, May 7; with premiere of Matthew McBane's "String Octet." Various ensembles perform Saturday, May 8. Both con-

certs begin at 8 p.m. in Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Tickets: 760-809-5501. (LA COSTA)

Seoul Sisters, the Ahn Trio, combining traditional classical music with works of living composers, performs May 8 and 9 at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$32, \$35. 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

All 17 of Mozart's Piano **Sonatas** will be performed by pianist Wayne McEvilly at 2 p.m. on Saturdays, May 8, 15, 22, at Hervey Library (3701 Voltaire Street). Donation. 619-531-1539. (POINT LOMA)

Giuseppe Verdi's Well-Loved Opera La Traviata is the final production of season for San Diego Opera, starring soprano Anja Harteros, tenor Richard Troxell, many others. In Italian with English translations projected above the stage. Conducted by Edoardo Müller, directed by Ian Campbell.

Performances at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 8, Tuesday, May 11, and Wednesday, May 19; 8 p.m. on Friday, May 14; 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 16. Tickets range from \$20 to \$140. See the opera at San Diego Civic Theatre, 202 C Street. Reservations: 619-232-7636, (DOWNTOWN)

"A Tribute to the Streanos," concert honoring "pioneer North County" clarinetist Ralph Streano and cellist Francyl Streano presented for Saturdays in Shadowridge series, May 8, 3:30 p.m., at Palomar Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (1600 Buena Vista Drive). Program includes Mozart's "Quintet for Clarinet and Strings." Donation: \$10. 760-631-7055.

A Choral Concert — boasting works by Bach and Handel — performed Saturday, May 8, 7:30 p.m., by choir at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). Soloists include Svlvia Wen, Martha Jane Weaver. Donation: \$10. 619-298-4580. (HILLCREST)

Duo Pianists Kay Etheridge and Christopher Adler are joined by percussionist Morris Palter in faculty concert, Saturday, May 8, 8 p.m., in Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Selections by Bartók, Stravinsky. \$8. 619-260-4171.

"Folias and Romanescas" may be heard when Hespirion XXI performs for San Diego Early Music Society, Sunday, May 9. Program of music and poetry from "old Spain" including folias, romanescas, canarios, gallardas, Sephardic, traditional Catalonian pieces, music by Ortiz and Marais. Tickets: \$28 general.

Viola de gamba solo recital by Jordi Savall entitled "Les Voix Humaines," Tuesday, May 11. \$20. Both concerts begin at 7:30 p.m., at St. James by-the-Sea (743 Prospect Street). Reservations: 619-291-8246. (LA JOLLA)

"Mother's Day Musical Storybooks" provide theme for San Diego Symphony Family Festival Series concert, Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m. Lullabies, storybook tales. Musical petting zoo prior to concert. Adult tickets: \$10, \$20; children, \$5. Copley Symphony Hall, 750 B Street. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Civic Organist Carol Williams in concert at Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Baroque Period Instruments and works by Vivaldi, Telemann, Quantz promised when Windsor Hills Consort performs mini-concert on Monday, May 10, noon, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

The Westmont College Choirs present concert of works by Byrd, Billings, Mendelssohn, Ives, Hogan, and others, Monday, May 10, 7 p.m., at Trinity Episcopal Church (845 Chestnut Street, at Ninth Avenue). Offering. 760-743-1629. (ESCONDIDO)

USD Chamber Music Ensembles perform Tuesday, May 11, 7:30 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). \$8. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)

"Americana: A Journey Through America's Musical Past" presented by Philharmonic Wind Quintet on Wednesday, May 12, 7 p.m., at Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (Pacific Beach Library; 4275 Cass Street). Family concert features works by Stephen Foster, Scott Joplin, John Phillip Sousa, George M. Cohan, George Gershwin, Richard Rodgers. Donation. 858-581-9934. (PACIFIC BEACH)

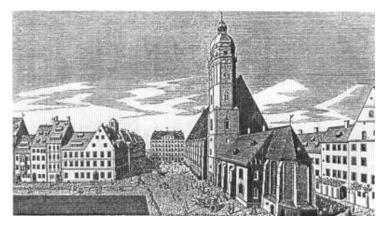
American Quilt, this "tapestry of American music" by composers including Copland, Bernstein, Previn, Rorem, Sondheim, Gottschalk, Rumi presented by Camarada for "Strings in the Galleries" series, Thursday, May 13, 7 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art. 619-696-9169. \$15. (BALBOA PARK)

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GALLERIES

on the events section.

The Student Exhibition at Arts College International (840 G Street) opens with reception on Friday, May 7, 6 p.m., and continues through Friday, June 11. Student, faculty art sale on Saturday, May 8, noon to 5 p.m. 619-231-3900. (DOWNTOWN)

Primarily Representing USD Art Department artists, Axis Mundi Gallery opens with reception on Friday, May 7, at 6 p.m. Fundraising events on Saturday and Sunday, May 8 and 9, 1 to 5 p.m. Find gallery at 635 Seventh Avenue; 619-260-7990. (DOWNTOWN)

"Annual Student Art Exhibition" opens with reception on Friday,

May 7, 5 to 8 p.m., in Boehm Gallery at Palomar College (1140 West Mission Road). Reception and open house include demonstrations. 760-744-1150 x2304. Show closes Friday, May 21. (SAN MARCOS)

"Water: The Source of Life" is May show, juried by Drew Bandish, at San Diego Watercolor Society's Showcase Gallery (Studio Building, 2400 Kettner Boulevard). Exhibit includes work by 90 Southern California artists and display of posters by 18 students who participated in 2004 Water Conservation Poster Contest. Reception for artists is Friday, May 7, $5\ p.m.\ 619\text{-}338\text{-}0502.\ (\text{LITTLE ITALY})$

The May Show at Taboo Studio opens with reception for the six participating artists, Friday, May 7, 6 p.m. Find gallery at 1615 1/2 West Lewis Street; 619-692-0099. (MISSION HILLS)

"Art That Doesn't Match My Couch," an exhibit of new work by digital artist Phillip Timper, opens with reception in conjunction with Ray at Night, Saturday, May 8, 6 p.m., in Red Room at Avalon Gallery (3803 Ray Street). 619-293-7080. Closes Wednesday, June 9. (NORTH PARK)

Works by Local Artists Stephanie Clair, Deborah Brenner, and Fah go on exhibit with reception on Saturday, May 8, 6 p.m., at Basile Gallery (519 Island Avenue; 619-234-1117).~(GASLAMP QUARTER)

"Small Steps Up to Big Ideas," original art in a variety of media by Lynda Muse and Carolyn Kenny is on view through Sunday, June 6, at Cottage Gallery (2520

Congress Street). Meet the artists: Saturday, May 8, and Sunday, May 23, 1 to 3 p.m. 619-296-1893. (OLD TOWN)

Chinese Brush Painting Society hosts 21st annual exhibit through Friday, May 14, in Gallery 21 of Spanish Village. Reception: Saturday, May 8, 5 p.m. 619-523-5260. (BALBOA PARK)

"Best of the Best." watercolor paintings by students of Nancy Oleksa are on view during May at Olde Ramona Hotel Gallery (845 Main Street). Reception: Saturday, $May\,8, 3\,p.m.\,760\text{--}789\text{--}3682.\,\text{(RAMONA)}$

"Expressions," a gathering of watercolor and oil paintings by Joe Garcia, opens with reception on Saturday, May 8, 4 p.m., at Santa Ysabel Art Gallery (30352 Highway 78, at junction of Highway 79). Show — including wildlife art. plein air paintings, large studio landscapes — continues through Sunday, June 13. 760-765-1676.

Fairies, Vamps, Angels "come alive" in "Digerotic Art" by Tiger Lee, who will be on hand for opening and booksigning of his book, Saturday, May 8, 6 p.m., at Sharp Gallery (3807 Ray Street). 619-546-9546. (NORTH PARK)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, "Niki de Saint Phalle: California Dreaming" explores works said to be "inspired by and created in California" through models and related drawings, paintings, and prints from the artist's archives and from private collections. Through November. The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard: 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

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" 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. Ongoing.

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. "Niki de Saint Phalle Remembered" continues through Sunday, June 20. Find the museum at 155 West Grand Avenue. 760-735-3355. (ESCONDIDO)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, the "Cerca Series" continues with "The Rules of the Game" by Mexico City-based artist Gustavo Artigas, on view through Sunday, June 6. Installation includes video

projection, supporting materials, visually articulating "cultural similarities and disparities between the populations" of Mexico and U.S.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla, "Baja to Vancouver: The West Coast and Contemporary Art," featuring over 50 paintings, sculptures, installations, photographs, drawings, and video works by 33 contemporary artists, continues through Sunday, May 16. Exhibition highlights important figures and directions defining contemporary art in the region.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Museum of Photographic Arts, "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 Kertesz, 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 10 to 100 copies. Show closes on Sunday, June 20. Find the museum at 704 Pier View

Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, "Shahzia Sikander: Flip Flop," the next "Contemporary Links 2" exhibition, features drawings, a sitespecific 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."

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, permanent collection includes European masters, 19th-Century American paintings, and Russian icons. 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)

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Manic Sherbet

"God forbid you should deviate from what the president of Shell Oil decides is attractive!"

ver the top? Michael Lluberes is over the river, through the woods, and miles past Grandma's. He plays Otto, a compulsive eater in Nicky Silver's Food Chain who binges on pretzels, Oreo cookies

(just the filling, which he slurps as if sucking oysters from their shells), Fritos, Chee-tos. It's as if he's doing an anti-Atkins protest, paying life-threatening homage to verboten carbs.

In a program note, Silver says Otto is a "verbal tornado, quite out of control." But Lluberes plays him only as a cartoon, the gastronomic equivalent of a loose cannon. If someone else wrote *Food Chain*, this would be okay. But Nicky Silver shows that, as Otto trails shards of donuts and salty chips, he's also eating his rage.

Silver wrote two endings to his farce. The original forges a momentary stay against confusion — at least until after curtain call, when it's every neurotic for him/herself. In the second ending, pistol-wielding Otto screams, "I HATE MY BODY." After he exits, leaving a bag of groceries on the floor, there's an offstage gunshot.

Silver says "both endings work" and included each in the published text. Most of Silver's plays — Fat Men in Skirts, Free Will and Wanton Lust — explore every conceivable taboo from incest to cannibalism. But Food Chain is actually Silver-lite. He calls it a sorbet (written to "cleanse my palate" between Pterodactyls and Raised in

Captivity), and using alternate endings is such a melodramatic non sequitur it doesn't fit the playwright's "lime sherbet" approach.

The Old Globe's otherwise sharp, always funny production uses the original ending. The

actors character-drive the play. Though manic, their needs show through. Lluberes, by contrast, gives a surface performance that pushes every beat and throws

scenes out of whack. He could improve if he (1) modulated the hyperactivity and (2) gave Otto more of an interior by keeping the alternate ending in mind. Otto doesn't shoot himself in the original, but he could.

Food Chain tackles our country's numberone addiction: youthful beauty. How many people actually diet for their health? Somewhere there's a Platonic form Americans are supposed to resemble (Ken and Barbie are, most likely, distant approximations). Diversity is taboo. The addiction's the cause. Silver shows the effects of people trying to cram themselves into an impossible mold.

Amanda (an antsy, excellent Christa Scott-Reed), who has a poem in this week's *New Yorker*, is anorexic. "I hate being a woman," she shouts. "Every aspect of our culture conspires to keep us subjugated under the oppressive thumb of the beauty myth... God forbid you should deviate from what the president of Shell Oil decides is attractive!"



Michael Lluberes, Marilyn Sokol, Christa Scott-Reed, Rob Brogan, Paolo Andino in The Food Chain

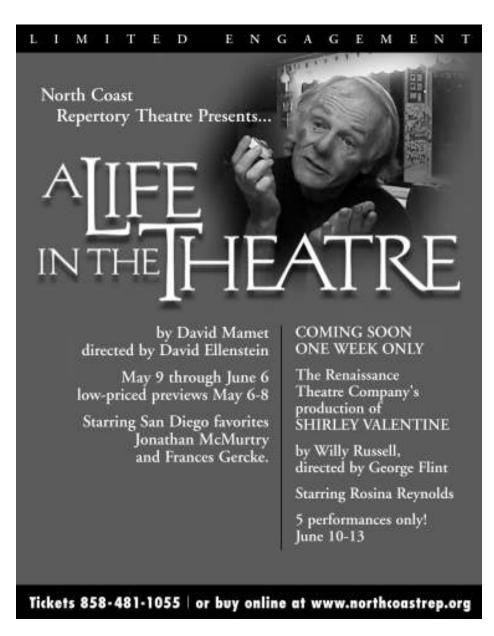
The Food Chain. by Nicky Silver

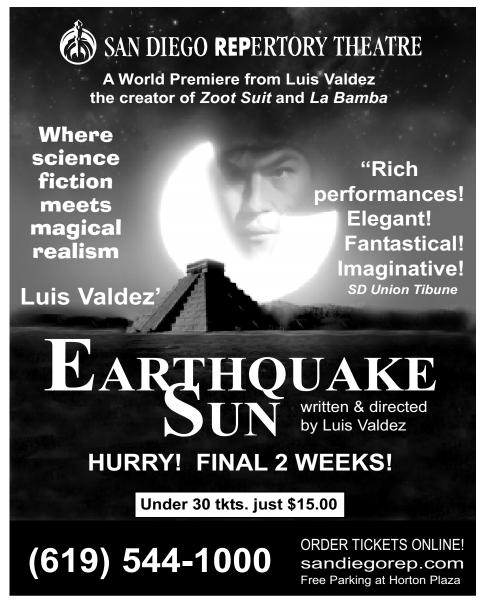
Old Globe Theatre, Cassius Carter Centre Stage, Simon Edison Centre for the Performing Arts, Balboa Park Directed by Matt August; cast: Paolo Andino, Rob Brogan, Michael Lluberes, Christa Scott-Reed, Marilyn Sokol; scenic design, James F. Noone; costume design, Holly Poe Durbin; lighting, Chris Rynne; sound, Paul Peterson Playing through May 30; Tuesday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 619-239-2255.

Shirley Valentine, by Willy Russell

Renaissance Theatre Company, 6th @ Penn Theatre, 3704 Sixth Avenue, Hillcrest Directed by George Flint; cast, Rosina Reynolds; scenic design, Jerry Sonnenberg; costumes, Jeanne Reith; lighting, Karin Filijan; sound, Robert May

Playing through June 6; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 619-688-9210; North Coast Repertory Theatre, 987-D Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Solana Beach, Thursday, June 10, through June 13; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. 858-481-1055.





Silver flips to the other side. The insensitive Serge Stubin (Paolo Andino) is attractive enough to be a runway model (but, Otto jibes, "You only do runway. You're not good-looking enough for print, are you?"). Serge's elect physical status makes him a sex object. "I seem to attract only the most destructive, broken, needy, sad human beings. What's wrong

Throw in Ford (Rob Brogan), a speechless, budding filmmaker, and Bea (Marilyn Sokol), a crisis counselor for whom "loneliness is my oxygen," and you have a bouillabaisse of motives, needs, and humor. And the Old Globe's found a director who makes it work. Matt August directed the Globe's recent Time Flies (and its splendid "Lives of the Saints"). August has a deft hand with farce and the demands of the Cassius Carter Centre Stage. You'd never know Food Chain wasn't written for in-the-round theater. Now just reign in Lluberes (think Harvey Fierstein), and the show could fly.

Marilyn Sokol's Bea merits special mention. She's hilarious as the senior citizen "survivor" (to which Amanda replies, "By that you mean you're old?") - who, amid all



Shirley Valentine

her crazy wisdom and just plain craziness, has broken beyond the "beauty myth." Her curly gray hair and wrinkles are testimony to a life lived, if not always wisely, then at least

If America freed itself from the beauty myth, imagine how many businesses would go under. Nay, the whole economy! Think you aren't addicted? Gauge your response to the following: 1) People who don't have gray hair and wrinkles look incomplete; 2) People who don't have gray hair and wrinkles, but should, are in

Somewhere along the way, something happened to Shirley's marriage. "Or," she asks the wall, her only confidant, "did nothing happen?"

She's 46 and finds herself in a relationship that's now minute-by-minute routine. She finally admits she has large amounts of "unused life." In Willy Russell's Shirley Valentine (1986), a play about liberation minus the rhetoric, the working-class housewife makes the leap. She goes to Greece for a fortnight, which may become a lifetime.

Rosina Reynolds, such a lo-

cal mainstay her name has marquee value, does some of her best work ever as Shirley. Such an assured, layered, human performance — Reynolds has a comedian's rapport with the audience and often gets on a roll, nailing joke after joke, then, with a breathtaking turn, verges on the tragic.

The Renaissance Theatre Company production gives Reynolds ample support. Jeanne Reith's costumes (and Karin Filijan's expert lighting) range from Liverpool smudge to Greek Isle chic. And Jerry S. Sonnenberg deserves a "Marty." There's no such thing, but there should be an award for scenic design wizardry done on small spaces with small budgets — named for the North Coast Rep's master, Marty Burnett. Sonnenberg puts a dining area and fully functional kitchen in 6th @ Penn's tiny space. Then, with a spin of two revolves: a Greek restaurant, behind it, blue sky and sea to infinity. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

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Beau Jest

Lamplighters present James Sherman's popular comedy about a young actor hired to be a Jewish boyfriend. Kate Hewitt directed. LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 8053 LINIVERSITY AVENUE LA MESA THROUGH MAY 16: FRIDAY AND SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-464-4598.

The Bourgeois Gentleman

UCSD's spring undergraduate production is Moliere's comedy about a social climber who trains for the aristocracy. Michael Schwartz di-

MANDELL WEISS FORUM, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SAN DIEGO, THURS-DAY, MAY 6, THROUGH MAY 15: THURS DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY, MAY 9, AT 7:00 P.M. 858-534

The Cedar Fire

San Diego Mesa College presents a "theatrical documentary" based on the October firestorms of 2003. Professor Juan Castro, whose East County home was hit hard by the fires, conceived and directed the piece.

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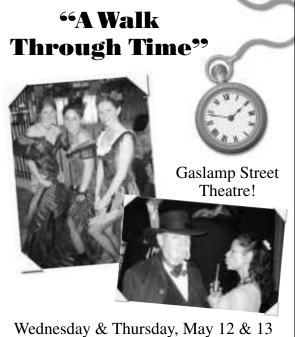
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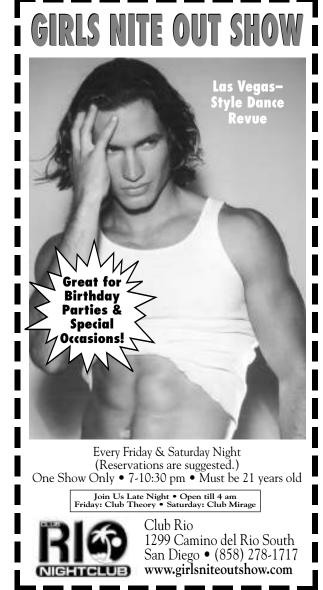
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Dream Secrets and Broken Glass

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: MAY 15, AND MAY 29 AT 8:00 P.M. 619-316-9120.

Earthquake Sun

Luis Valdez, a California icon, has written Zoot Suit, I Don't Have to Show You No Stinking Badges, Bandido! and many others. Earthquake Sun ranks among his most ambitious projects. It takes place in a Mavan city-state (732 CE), 2012 at the Nogales border, and the 34th Century. A love story, it includes biogenetics, a sacred "piz ball" match, and speculations on a world without sex. It's a lot. And a lot of it lacks artistic control. Crammed with labored exposition, the play unfolds in lurches, being more notes than an actual script. The San Diego Rep's production does capable service. Giulio Cesare Perrone's excellent set's a Mayan temple, backlit by a warm jade glow. When called upon, Jennifer Setlow's expressive lighting turns the stage blood red. Linda Castro (as a crazy-wise spirit guide) and Kinan Valdez (as various leaders) offer energy and humor. As do John Malashock's movement sequences. Valdez's direction, by contrast, is often stiff, the deliveries lifeless (lengthy, wordy dialogue doesn't help matters), the actors unconnected. "Too much clone talk," a friend observed after opening night, "too little love." SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE,

LYCEUM STAGE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH MAY 16: WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. TUESDAY AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

The Fantasticks

California Center for the Arts hosts the North Coast Repertory Theatre's production of the popular musical about innocence and experience (this marks the first collaboration between the Center and a local theater company).

CALIFORNIA CENTER FOR THE ARTS, ES-CONDIDO, 340 NORTH ESCONDIDO BOULEVARD, THROUGH MAY 16; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P M 800-988-4253

The Food Chain

Reviewed this issue. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH MAY 30; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255

Fully Committed

Air traffic controllers, at least, have each other. Not Sam Pelikowski. He must make all the reservations for a posh New York restaurant. Jean-Paul Sartre said, "Hell is other people." Hah. Hell is other people demanding all-vegan cuisine for 15 at a 7:30 seating, while five other callers blink on hold. Thanks to a tour de force by David McBean, Cygnet Theatre's Fully Committed is a hilarious, touching charmer. McBean plays Sam and 39 other people. The logistics boggle: it's the equivalent of memorizing a phone book and making each voice so distinctive you remember it the

next time you hear it. McBean must change characters as fast as he can say, "Hold, please." He's so terrific, however, that logistics disappear into Sam's frantic, behind-the-scenes world. He's an aspiring actor lacking "a strong sense of personal entitlement" just what every caller has! Sam gets a crash course in assertion training and passes with soaring colors. Throughout the audience's "Oh yeahs" and "That's rights" punctuate the show with shocks of recognition. Anyone who has ever been an actor, or waited tables, or worked at entry level with the public will empathize with Fully Committed. And, given David McBean's special performance, so should everyone else. Critic's pick.

CYGNET THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE/ROLANDO AREA, THROUGH MAY 16: THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-337-1525.

Grassroots Greeks

6th @ Penn's former "Seven Weeks of Greeks" became so popular it's a regular series. And what a great idea! To reacquaint local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek drama, Linda Castro and David Cohen offer staged readings. The approach is refreshing. There's no attempt at polished work or choices set in granite. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal, the threshold of exploration. They read in a semicircle. There's some movement, a suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek drama, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free — though 6th @ Penn greatly appreciates donations. Also: since space is limited, the theater recommends reservations in advance. Next reading: Helen by Euripides, May 17. Worth a try.

6TH @ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE. HILLCREST. OPEN-ENDED RUN: MONDAY, MAY 17, AT 7:30 P.M. 619-688-9210

Hay Fever

OnStage Playhouse presents Noel Coward's popular comedy about "the House Party from Hell." Bruce Wilde directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AV-ENUE, CHULA VISTA, THROUGH MAY 30; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-422-7787.

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

One of the longest-running shows in Off-Broadway history, Perfectcovers 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 dickheads!"), 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, and especially Stan Chandler, who must be one of the most versatile performers around, en-

hance 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, splitsecond 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, THURS DAY, AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATI-NEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448

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Joev and Maria's Comedy Italian Wedding

The Culy Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater,3 as Joey and Maria tie the knot. DAVE AND BUSTER'S, 2931 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH MISSION VALLEY AND 1355 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE, DOWN-TOWN, 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.

A Life in the Theatre

North Coast Repertory Theatre stages David Mamet's drama about a veteran actor (played by San Diego veteran, Jonathan Mc-Murtry) and an up-and-comer. David Ellenstein directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987 D LOMAS SANTA FE PLAZA SOLANA BEACH, SUNDAY, MAY 9, THROUGH JUNE 6; THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055 OR 888-776-NCRT.



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Life's Not Fair

GB Productions presents an evening of comic sketches. In one, a newborn demonstrates instant star quality; in another, a bus driver's found a way to get bigger tips: he forces passengers to do the

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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 nei-



ther 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

The Member of the Wedding

Grossmont College stages Carson McCullers's drama about "an overimaginative Georgian girl and the bond between black and white in the American South." Henry Jordan directed.

STAGEHOUSE THEATRE, GROSSMONT COLLEGE, 8800 GROSSMONT COLLEGE DRIVE, EL CAJON, THURSDAY, MAY 6, THROUGH MAY 15; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SAT-URDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-644-7234

Mr. Marmalade

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents Noah Haidle's comedy about "grownup behavior and misbehavior refracted through the eyes of children." Ethan McSweeny directed.

JULIANNE ARGYROS STAGE, SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH MAY 16; TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATUR DAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M.

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 Comedv 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.

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Once Upon a Mattress

Scripps Ranch Theatre stages the Broadway musical based on Hans Christian Andersen's "Princess and the Pea " Raylene Wall directed SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, ALLIANT IN-TERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, 10455 POMERADO ROAD THROUGH JUNE 6: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-578-7728

Over the River and Through the Woods

The Poway Performing Arts Company concludes its season with Joe DiPietro's comedy about Nick. whose dream job offer will relocate him away from his extended familv. Brent A. Stringfield directed. POWAY PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY, 13250 POWAY ROAD (UPSTAIRS IN THE LIVELY CENTER), POWAY, THROUGH MAY 16; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-679-8085

The Road to Mecca

6th @ Penn Theatre stages Athol Fugard's drama about Miss Helen. She refuses to "wear her widow-









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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 CEN-TER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH MAY 9; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY 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).

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The Studio

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents the world premiere of Christopher d'Amboise's behindthe-scenes look at a famous New York choreographer. d'Amboise directed.

SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH MAY 16: TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 714-708-5555

The Taming of the Shrew

The Poor Players present a "no holds Bard" staging of Shakespeare's comedy about an unlikely couple. Richard Baird directed. ADAMS AVENUE STUDIO, 2804 ADAMS AVENUE, NORMAL HEIGHTS, THROUGH MAY 9: HEARTH THEATRE SAN MAR-COS, FRIDAY, MAY 14, THROUGH MAY 23; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-246-7382.

Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy

Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day.

While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "or-dinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There's also the Forever Plaid problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano. Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

Worth a try.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, OPEN-ENDED RUN: WEDNESDAY AND THURS-DAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583

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"The bouncers had to escort a couple of guys out because they wanted to kick my ass." Alfred Howard and his bouncers took them out. I didn't even know it was happening until the end of the night."

Some of Howard's offensive prose:

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we were doing because they felt betrayed. They said they saw atrocities that made them second guess this entire war. They both bought one of our CDs."

Alfred Howard & the K23 Orchestra appear tomorrow at the Joshua Tree Music Festival (www.joshuatreemusic festival.com) and May 14 at the Whistle Stop in Golden Hill, 9:30 p.m., free.

— Ken Leighton

"The band laughs at stuff like that."

Slightly Stoopid manager Matt Phillips is talking about the latest *Spin* magazine that says the Ocean Beach band is destined for a low-wattage career.

The May issue lists Slightly Stoopid as one of the "Seven Bands Whose Names Assure That They Would Never Make It Big."

Slightly Stoopid comes in at number three, after Retarded and the Dum Dums.

"It's great that *Spin* magazine would acknowledge an independent band," says Phillips. He also said that the band has

split with the Encinitasbased Surfdog Records label.

"We are right now on a 60-day headlining tour, playing anywhere

between 700 and 2000 [capacity venues]."

Slightly Stoopid's song "Mellow Mood" is used on the soundtrack to the new *Step Into Liquid* surf feature. Their music has also been used on *The O.C.* and on MTV's *Dismissed*.

Also included in *Spin*'s "90 Lists of Rock's Best, Worst, and Weirdest" was San Diego native Gary Puckett, who had five top 10 hits in the 1960s with his band the Union Gap. *Spin* said one of those hits, "Young Girl" from 1968, topped the list of "16 Skeeviest Songs About Jailbait."

Young girl, get out of my mind / My love for you is way out of line / Better run, girl / You're much too young, girl.

"He's been correcting that

"SPIN" BESTOWS INFAMY ON SLIGHTLY STOOPID

[misconception] for 35 years," said his manager Lorrie Haimes. "It's actually a

very moral song. It's actually

saying, 'I'm having these bad thoughts, go away.' "

Haimes said Puckett moved from Rancho Bernardo to the Tampa Bay area in 2000. "His parents and his brothers and sisters still live in San Diego," said Haimes.

- Ken Leighton

Dennis DeYoung hasn't been a member of Styx since 1999, when he was replaced by Canadian superstar Lawrence Gowan, who'd opened for several Styx gigs. Undaunted, DeYoung (who wrote some of the band's biggest hits) performs "The Music of Styx" with the San Diego Symphony at the 2200-seat Copley Symphony Hall tomorrow, while Styx sans DeYoung plays Viejas's 1500-seat Dreamcatcher Showroom on September 28.

Tickets for DeYoung run \$39.50 to \$59.50, while seeing Styx at Viejas will set you back a flat \$55 via Ticketmaster. On scalper websites like *advancetickets.com*, the spread is much wider, with DeYoung tickets going for \$267 and the

\$135.50. Friday's show by DeYoung is "90 percent sold

band tickets selling for a mere

the inside track

six-man K23 Orchestra were playing at Blind Melons when, after some Bushbashing poetry between songs, "They started screaming, 'Fuck you...get out of the country if you don't like it.'"

But the threats weren't limited to Pacific Beach.

"I was surprised when the same thing happened at OB. We were at Winstons. There were 200 people and maybe 195 were really cool...but there were three or four who were really up in arms. The

approval at a recent outdoor performance during the Artwalk in Little Italy.

"Nobody said anything. In fact, I even got applause." But he said that disturbed him as well. "Anytime you say something that drastic about the leader of the country and receive applause, it's pretty terrifying."

Howard said the other five guys in the band agree with his politics, they just aren't as vocal.

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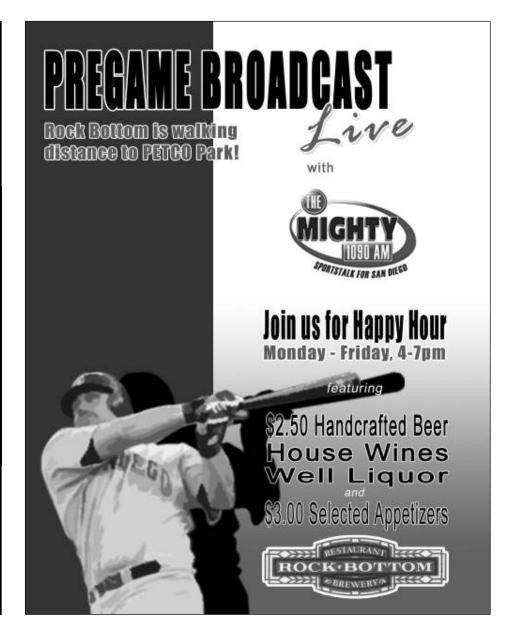
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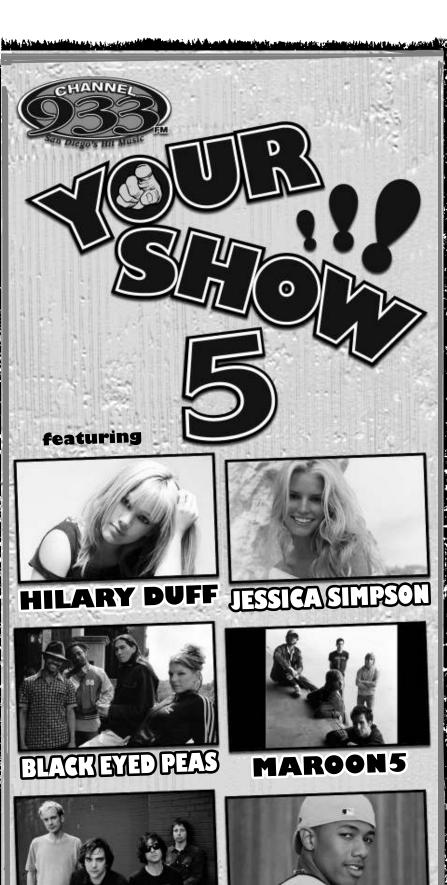
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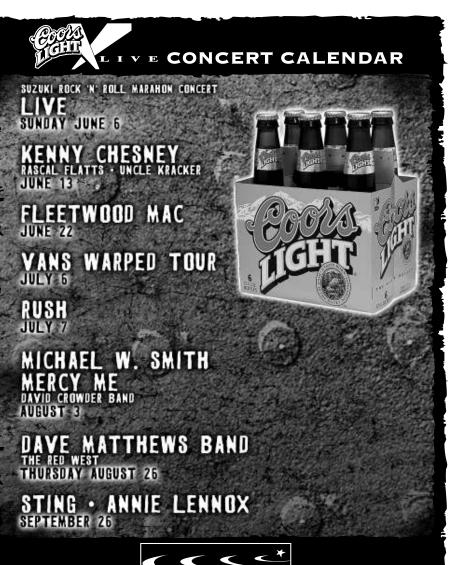
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out" according to a box office rep, and the Viejas concert sales figures are "confidential," according to Viejas Entertainment



EX-STYX DEYOUNG TRUSTS THE SCALPERS

president Steve Redfearn. Despite being warned by his publicist that DeYoung doesn't respond to "Styx vs. Styx" questions, I ask DeYoung if he expects any current or former Styx

members to show up at his concert (as happened when long-absent member Chuck Panozzo showed up unannounced to play with Styx at Coors Amphitheatre in June 2001). He laughs. "If they're in town and show up at the Hall, they'll have to buy a ticket like anyone else and watch from the pews!"

I mention the resale price spread for the respective concerts, which also makes him laugh.

"Well, then the scalpers have spoken.

— Jay Allen Sanford

"It helps the cause of country radio," said Darrel Goodin about the fact that his station, KSON, is presenting a free concert with

four national recording artists

May 15 at the rugby field adjacent to Qualcomm Stadium.

Goodin, general manager at KSON, says he is guaranteed to lose \$100,000, but according to him, "The only way to get more people to listen to country music

on the radio is to get them to listen to the music." He likens the concert to handing out free samples.

Also happening that same weekend is the Ramona

rodeo, which is sponsored by KSON competitors KUSS 95.7, the Clear Channel station that hired away KSON's 11-year morning team, Tony and Kris, at the beginning of this year.

'Our station has been under fire," Goodin admits. "Everyone knows we have a new competitor. But our fan base has stood by us. This is a nice way to reciprocate. This has nothing to do with the fact that our show is on the same weekend as the rodeo brought to you by Clear Channel Communications. It has nothing to do with that at

Clearly KSON will get some financial benefit. KSON operations director John Dimick said 450 fans showed up in one hour at a Mission



MAVERICKS PLAY FREE KSON CONCERT

Valley Rubio's restaurant to get free tickets. Rubio's is a KSON advertiser.

"We are helping 5000 people [the rugby field

capacity] who would not normally be in a position to see a concert," said Goodin. "We are adding a new dimension to radio. I dare any other station to try and do the same thing.

The Mavericks, Chely Wright, Billy Currington, and Julie Roberts appear 4–10 p.m., May 15, at "Country at the Q," all ages. Tickets are free, but they have to be obtained by calling the station or by going to locations announced on the

The Ramona Rodeo (760-789-1484) is 7:30 p.m., May 14 and 15, and 2:30 p.m., May 16. General admission is \$10 except for Saturday, which is \$12.

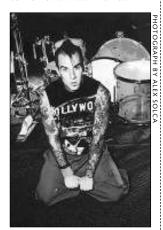
— Ken Leighton

The latest Arbitron ratings show a decline for Rock 105.3 without Howard Stern. Rock 105.3 (KIOZ-FM) is one of the six Clear Channel-owned stations that stopped carrying Stern at the end of February.

Rock 105.3's audience share among all listeners 12 years and over was 8.9 percent in February. In March, when Stern was off the air, Rock 105.3 showed a 0.7 percent rating during the time Stern used to be on decrease of 92 percent.

– Ken Leighton

Travis Barker of blink-182 has formed his own label, LaSalle Records, which releases its debut CD tomorrow: What Are You



BARKER'S LASALLE LABEL DEBUTS TOMORROW

Listening To? by the Kinison. Barker also signed a band called Nervous Return, who are playing on a side stage for this summer's No Doubt/blink tour. The Transplants, Barker's side project, are also going to appear on the LaSalle imprint.

— Jay Allen Sanford

"It was a nice long run. It was three years exactly, from May 1, 2001, to May 1, 2004." KCEO-AM (1000) operations director Rick Rome is referring to the death last weekend of "Premium Radio," an edgy rock format started by DJ Mike Halloran on sister station 92.1, which moved to KCEO evenings when 92.1 was sold last November. Alternative rock will be replaced by nostalgic oldies.

Rome remembers, "We were competing with two FM signals [91.1 and 94.9].... FM-94/9 came along because they saw the success this pea shooter was having with its 588 screaming watts.'

In limbo is the all-reggae show Yard Sound hosted by Ras Charles.

— Ken Leighton

When the band Chicago sold out two

shows at a casino last year, I heard a lady complaining as she walked out, "I can't believe they didn't even have their original lead singer, Peter Cetera." Her husband said, "Well, the guy they got to replace him sounded just like him.'

That replacement is former Point Loma resident Jason Scheff, who also plays bass. When I asked Scheff in an interview about the original members, he said, 'We still have the other singer, Robert Lamm. And the horn section is all three of the original members.'

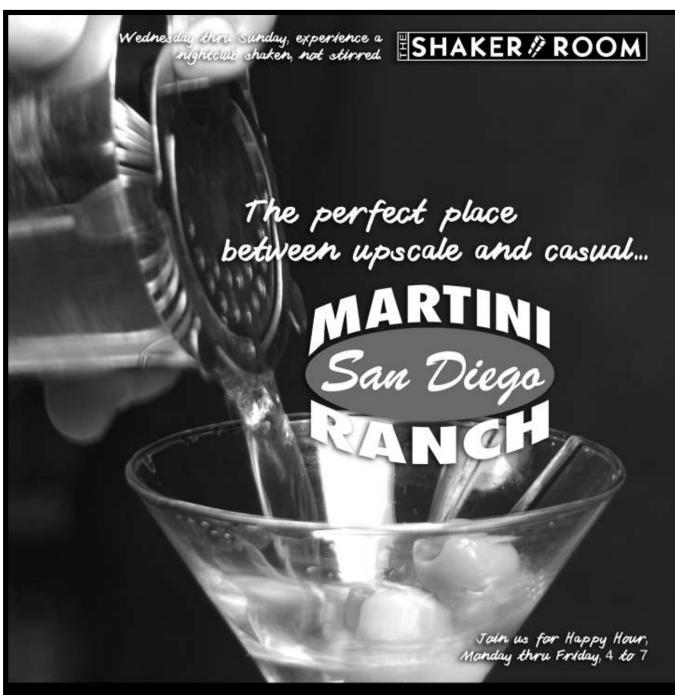
Recent bands who have come to town without key original members include the Alarm, the Dead Kennedys, and the Doors (most assumed Morrison wouldn't be there).

I asked Ed Pate, sound engineer for 4th & B, about









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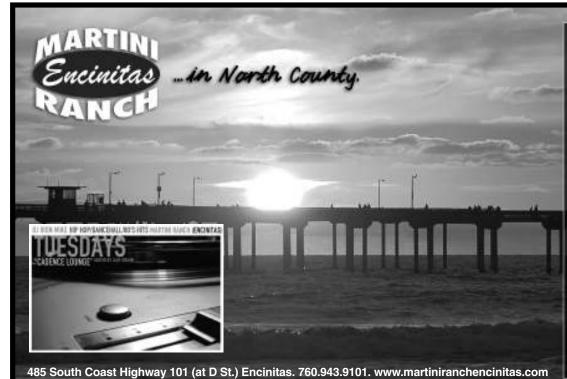
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famous bands without key members. He said, "When Bob owned this place, he hated when bands did that. He always made sure at least 3/4 of the band were original members or he wouldn't even bother booking them."

When Skid Row played at 'Canes March 12, one patron told me, "Somebody yelled something out about Sebastian Bach [the original singer] not being there. The singer, Johnny Sollinger, started cussing and said he's been the singer for five years. He even held up a CityBeat newspaper and said how it was a piece of shit for getting the story wrong about Sebastian still being in the band." (CityBeat confirmed that it ran a retraction.)

'Canes has signs up at all its shows stating that it doesn't give refunds. I asked Pam Edwards, the talent buyer there, what her take on all this is. She said, "For the ads, we use the 8×10 of the band, with their current lineup. And I think most fans of the band know the current lineup, or they could easily

find out by calling the club or checking websites.

The Reader did an "Of Note" about the same show, which didn't state that Bach was still singing, but most of the article was about Bach. Perhaps it's tougher to find these things out than people think.

When I contacted Skid Row, their tour manager, Mike Nash, explained, "We don't try and deceive people. Johnny has been the singer now for a while. He sings all the old songs and doesn't sing as high as Sebastian, but he's great. He brings a lot of energy to the show. And I only heard one fan complaining."

Journey is coming to play the San Diego Fair (in Del Mar) June 13. (Journey and Styx played Cox Arena a year ago — both bands without their lead singers.) For the Journey show at the fair, patrons will have to pay an extra \$19 (most concerts are free with fair admission).

I asked Linda Zweig, in the fair's media department, if she knew Steve Perry wasn't with the group. She said, "We have talent buyers that do their homework. They look at how well the groups draw in other venues. They do all the background checking, and we feel that there are a lot of fans that would want to see this band, even without Perry. It's the songs they like.'

– Josh Board



Outside Spotless

Studios, two women got into it.

Spotless is on Bacon Street, across the way from Winstons; they offer rehearsal and recording studios.

One of the women was a platinum blonde; she stood on the sidewalk smoking a cigarette. She also had an interesting arrangement of tattoos, from stomach to

The other woman was a brunette; she stopped her beat-up, burgundy-colored Toyota-something in the street and glared.

The blonde tossed her cig down, stomped on the glowing thing, and yelled, "Is it me? Is it me or is it you? Because I don't think it's me. Is it?" She approached the

Toyota. "Huh? Tell me? Is it me?

I, too, wanted to know if it was she.

"It has nothing to do with you," the brunette said.

"Oh yes it does," said the blonde, "Oh yes it does, and you better stay away from

"I just need to talk to him for a minute."

"You're not going to talk to him for a second!" the blonde yelled, slamming her hand down on the hood of the burgundy car.

A guy with long, greasy hair, a goatee, lots of tats on his arms, and holding drumsticks poked his head out of the studio's front entrance, saw what was going on, said, "Oh shit," and quickly ducked back inside.

He, I thought, must be "him.'

"Get out of here," the blonde said, "you psychobitch!'

"Who you calling 'psycho'?" said the brunette.

"Don't make me pull out my knife, bitch!"

The brunette sighed loudly and drove away.

I went back inside to rejoin some friends I had been jamming with on my upright bass. The guy with the long greasy hair was pacing and twirling a drumstick in his left hand. "They still out there?" he asked.

"The girl in the car left," I

"She'll be back. How did she find me? Oh crap, she'll be back and that's scary -

she's nuts, she's totally nuts."

"The other one, the blonde one, said she was going to knife the girl in the

car," I said.
"She doesn't mean it, she's all bark and no bite, you know? My ex, the one in the car, she's the freakin' head case. She follows me everywhere. How did she find me? I'm just filling in for someone, you know. Other guys, they find it funny to have two women fight over them, but I'm not laughing."

– Michael Hemmingson

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"They have hoodies, with their headphones underneath."

aleb Paullus is 17 and a junior at Pt. Loma High. "I have a Panasonic Mini-Disc that plays MP3 CDs and a JVC MP3 player that plays through my car stereo," he

says. "I've taken it to school on testing days. Some teachers let us listen when we're done. It was some kind of standardized testing that we all had to do. I had

my headphones on. You can listen as long as no music is bleeding through so that other people can hear it."

Rules about electronics? "Basically, you're allowed to listen at lunch. There's lots of people who do, but they're not usually the people who are social. The people that listen at lunch are by themselves, not up and around talking to people."

Do you listen at lunch? "No."

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Preferences? "I like almost every type of music but country. Jazz, blues, classic rock, electronic music, old skool '80s music. I have 826 different music files on my PC organized by category. For example, I have classic rock with individual folders for the Eagles, the Beatles, and so on. You're not supposed to listen in class. When people do, they're sly about it. They have hoodies [hooded sweatshirts], with their headphones underneath. You can tell who they are — they don't participate much."

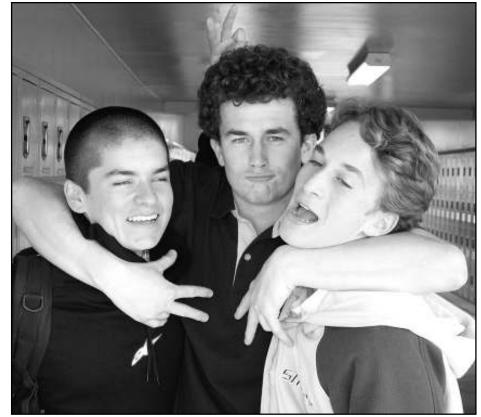
hris Bain is a 17-year-old junior at Pt. Loma High. He owns a 10 GB iPod with 1800 songs downloaded. He bought the iPod with money he earned washing company cars at a local shipward.

What do you like? "I like a lot of classic rock like Led Zeppelin and Pink Floyd, and progressive metal like Tool and Dream The-

ater. I don't take it to school. I had to work way too hard to get it. My brother David had one — an iPod — and he took his to school and it got stolen. I think out of his locker, actually. I'm not quite clear on how, but it was right out of his locker. Bastards. He bought another 10 gig for himself. He saved up from birthday money and allowances.

"At my school you can bring them [MP3 players and other similar electronic devices], but you can't have 'em going during class hours. For one month they did an experimental period where you could use one during lunch, but it stopped. I think kids were abusing it. Now, you can bring 'em, but you can't play 'em."

li Elbogen is a junior at Pt. Loma High. He is 16 and owns a 15 GB iPod. "I have almost 2000 songs loaded onto it," he says. "I do it illegally. I actually had most of the songs loaded onto my computer first. I have a PC and I use Musicmatch software.



Chris, Caleb, Eli

What do you like? "Led Zeppelin, Sabbath, Tool, Alice in Chains, Pink Floyd, the Stones, Jack Johnson, Big Head Todd & the Monsters. I bring it [the iPod] everywhere except school. I don't want it to get stolen. I don't want to take that risk. I saved up all summer to get the money to buy it. I babysat, and I carried bags of cement and dug holes for my neighbor.

"I let my dad use the iPod. He made a reggae playlist, Third World and Bob Marley and stuff.

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THIS WEEK'S CONCERTS

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"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.

SATURDAY

The "29th Annual Pacific Beach Block Party" featuring General Public [175], Roger Clyne & the Peacemakers [770], Common Sense [736], Agua Dulce [711], Rookie Card [559], 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 pr 619-220-8497

Cheryl Bentyne: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, May 8, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577.

Maktub: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, May 8, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

SUNDAY

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.

Manic Hispanic: The Casbah, Sunday, May 9, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Steve Kimock: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, May 9, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Rogelio Martinez: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Sunday, May 9, 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-445-6002, x1139.

MONDAY

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.

Toots & the Maytals *[737]*: Belly Up Tavern, Monday, May 10, 8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

TUESDAY

Sugar Ray *[228]*: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, May 11, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

EXTENSION 4001

UPCOMING CONCERTS

MAY

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.

"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.

Beulah: The Casbah, Saturday, May 15, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

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 Delmhorst: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, May 15, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

The Fall: The Casbah, Sunday, May 16, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355

Sleater-Kinney [431] 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.

Sarah Harmer [824], **Hayden**, and **Jolie Holland:** The Casbah, Tuesday, May 18, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner

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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.

Donovan Frankenreiter: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, May 20, 8:30 p.m.,

143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Jackpot [158] and the **Weary Boys:** The Casbah, Thursday, May 20, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

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.

Arrested Development: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, May 22, 9:15 p.m.,

143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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.

Cat Power: The Casbah, Saturday, May 22, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

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.

Talib Kweli: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, May 23, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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.

Trans Am [376]: The Casbah, Wednesday, May 26, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

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.

Dido [215] and **Aqualung:** 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

Alex Lora: SOMA, Thursday, June 3, 7:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

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.

"The 12th Annual City Heights International Village Celebration" featuring the Blazers, Javier Batiz, Danielle LoPresti & the Masses [452], Maiz, PraCh, Jeanette Harris, Fuga!, Los Alacranes [568], Quetzal [543], and many more: Saturday, June 5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., University Avenue (from Fairmount to Euclid), City Heights. Information, 619-584-1535, v114

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.

Zero 7: 4th & B, Saturday, June 5, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Pedro the Lion [156]: The Casbah, Saturday, June 5, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

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.

Yellowman: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, June 9, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Kenny Loggins [504]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 11, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Aimee Mann [446]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, June 11, 143 Sout Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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. **Journey** [458]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 13, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Kenny Chesney [774], Rascal Flatts, and Uncle Kracker: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Cecilio & Kapono: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 13, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

El Gran Silencio: SOMA, Sunday, June 13, 7:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

Jewel [880]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June 14, and Tuesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The B-52's: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 15, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Mary Chapin Carpenter [778] and Jim Lauderdale: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 16, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Smash Mouth: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Wednesday, June 16, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

The Johnny Clegg Band: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 17, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Tom Russell: Acoustic Music San Diego, Thursday, June 17, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Creedence Clearwater Revisited: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 18, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Wynton Marsalis [646] and Peter Cincotti: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, June 18, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Yerba Buena: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, June 18, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

"Reggae Day" with Eek-A-Mouse, Beres Hammond, Marcia Griffiths, and Maxi Priest: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, June 19, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Eliza Gilkyson: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, June 19, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

P.O.D., Blindside, Hazen Street, and Lacuna Coil: SOMA, Sunday, June 20, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra [881]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 20, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Jason Mraz: Copley Symphony Hall, Sunday, June 20, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-235-0804 or 619-220-8497.

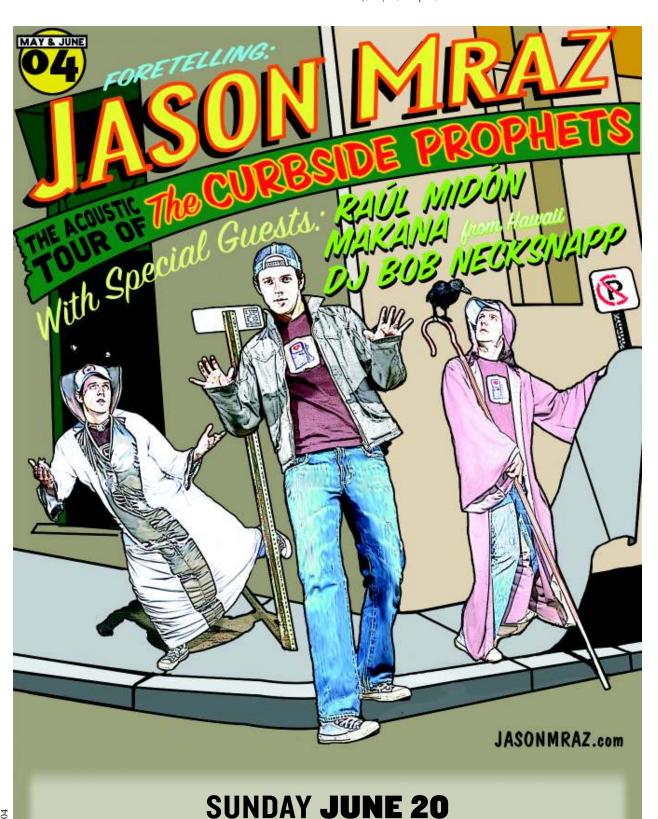
El Coyote y Su Banda Tierra Santa: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 20, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Israel Vibration [194]: Belly Up Tavern, Monday, June 21, and Tuesday, June 22, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Fleetwood Mac [615]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, June 22, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Joan Baez [848] and Steve Earle & the Bluegrass Dukes: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, June 22, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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No Doubt [232] and blink-**182** [244]: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, June 24, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista, 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Keb' Mo' and Leo Kottke: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 24, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Ozomatli [270]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Thursday, June 24, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

MXPX [199]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 25, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Tone Lôc and Young MC: 4th & B, Saturday, June 26, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Counting Crows [438]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, June 26, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Marco Antonio Solis: San Diego Sports Arena, Sunday, June 27, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Los Tucanes de Tijuana: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Sunday, June 27, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

"Chic Fest" starring Chic featuring Nile Rodgers, Thelma Houston, and Rose Royce & Maxine **Nightingale:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June 28, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter

Island. 619-220-8497 or

Travis Tritt: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Tuesday, June 29, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497

The Temptations [953]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 1, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter

Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Clint Black [771]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, July 2, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

"Women's Rock Fest" with Melissa Etheridge [541], Beth Hart [567], and Joan Jett & the Blackhearts: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, July 3, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

Reverend Horton Heat [268], the **Detroit Cobras,** and the **Forty Fives:** Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, July
4, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

SHeDAiSY: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Monday, July 5, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-792-4252 or 619-220-8497.

"Vans Warped Tour '04" with New Found Glory [304], Taking Back Sunday, Flogging Molly [316], Anti Flag, the Bouncing Souls [332], Bad Religion [226], NOFX [109], owcard, the Vandals, the Alkaline Trio [345], Ima Robot, Go Betty Go, and many more: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, July 6, 12:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

moe.: 4th & B, Tuesday, July 6, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497

Rush [466]: Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, July 7, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.



BY DAVE GOOD

It's a Celtic influence, not necessarily rock. that drives the Young Dubliners. That's a compliment. There are at least a hundred reasons to like Irish music, and the Young Dubs' original take on common roots music generates songs that are both familiar and eccentric. It's a bit like listening to someone who speaks English as a second language — the words commingle and it makes our own language sound more elegant and mysterious.

That said, the Young Dubliners are a party band with a solid fan base on their home turf of Los Angeles. They perform with what's been termed hellfire intensity, and why not? They gained their chops playing steadily in a bar co-owned by the band's founder, Keith Roberts. A guitarist and

vocalist, Roberts relocated from Ireland and started up a duo in Santa Monica in 1988 with Paul O'Toole. Two years passed, and the duo began to accumulate members. That's when the group took on its rock direction. After hundreds of the Young gigs, Dubliners' sound settled into no-frills, straight-ahead Celtic traditional that also rocked in

a solid folksy American way. In 1994 the Young Dubs released the superb and revelatory Rocky Road. Breathe came out in 1995. and Alive, Alive O followed in 1998 (there have been more CDs since).

Often without the heavy political bent of other Irish writers (Roberts admits that he tacks happy endings onto his sometimes bleak subject material), their cultish fan base has earned them comparisons to jam bands like Phish and Dave Matthews. But

YOUNG DUBLINERS neither of those stellar outfits can boast a jig pit, the Celtic equivalent of the mosh pit, A iig pit is just another part of the whole Dub experience. The Dubs, by the way, approve of men wearing kilts to their shows. They do ask, however, that you wear something

> YOUNG DUBLINERS, "29th Annual Pacific Beach Block Party," Saturday, May 8, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 619-641-5823. Free.

Lucinda Williams [882] and Lisa Sanders [893]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 7, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Indigo Girls [883]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 11, and Monday, July 12, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Sarah McLachlan [252]: San Diego Sports Arena, Monday, July 12, 8 p.m., 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

Youssou N'Dour and Lila Downs: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,

Tuesday, July 13, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

"Guitars and Saxes" featuring Marc Antoine, Jeff Golub, Euge Groove, and Warren Hill: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 14, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

LeAnn Rimes [768]: Vieias Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, July 15, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-22 619-445-5400. e. 619-220-8497 or

Petula Clark: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 15, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Etta James [950] and Earl **Thomas** [946]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 16, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010

W.A.S.P.: 4th & B, Friday, July 16, 345 B Street, downtown 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

John Mayer [604]: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, July 18, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

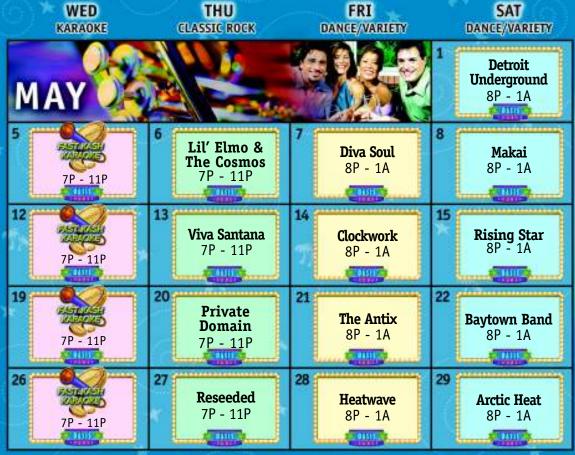
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Hootie & the Blowfish [469] and **Shurman:** Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, July 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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The Whispers [617] and **Howard Hewitt:** 4th & B, Saturday, July 24, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Go-Go's [483]: 4th & B, Sunday, July 25, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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22 Top *[477]*: Palomar Starlight Theater, Wednesday, July 28, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

Medeski Martin & Wood [677]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, July 28, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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AUGUST

Richie Furay, Jim Messina, Chris Hillman, and Herb Pedersen: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, August 1, 6:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Ramsey Lewis Trio and the Dave Brubeck Quartet:
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Linkin Park [529], Korn [264] Snoop Dogg [265], and the Used: Coors Amphitheatre, Friday, September 3, 2:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

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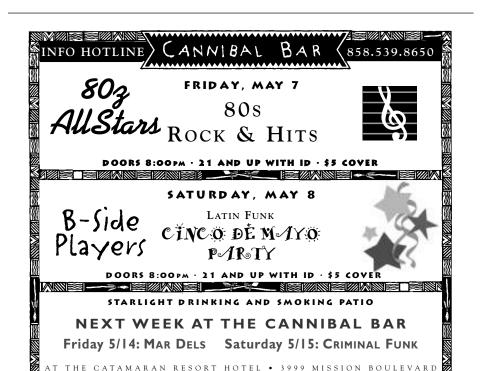
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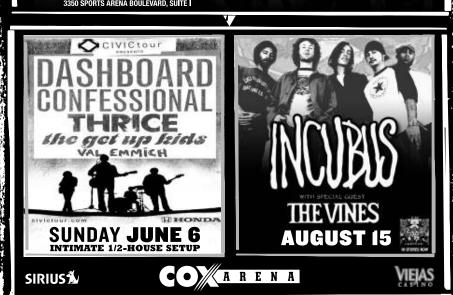
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Gary Versace: Dizzy's

The Dave Warren Group: Axis Martini Bar & Restaurant

Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

The Devastators [731]: Winstons, Blind Melons

Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations: Belly Up Tavern



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

I visited family in Kentucky earlier this month, and, as I always do when I'm there, I spent a lot of time driving along country roads, around huge horse farms where the stables are bigger and more luxurious than any house you or I will ever live in. I also drove past a lot of run-down farms with decrepit tobacco-curing barns.

I imagine that the farm outside of Louisville where **My Morning Jacket** recorded last year's *It Still Moves* was somewhere between these two extremes. Singer **Jim James**'s trademark reverb sound gives the impression that he's singing from inside a grand hallway, but his heavy accent makes him

sound like a guy who lives in a trailer. Meanwhile, the band plays a country-inflected sound with epic-length instrumental jams. On CD the sound is somewhere between the Allman Brothers and Wilco, but in concert it turns into a hard rock monster — complete with long hair and a Gibson Flying V.

Those headbanging shows earned a following for the band, a following that exploded

after the release of It Still Moves. The added pressure led to the departure earlier this year of guitarist Johnny Quaid and keyboardist Danny Cash, who said they were exhausted by the band's tour schedule. Given that Cash and Quaid were vital parts of the band's sound, that Quaid is James's cousin, and that it was Quaid's family farmhouse that the band used as a studio, it's

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The Tribe of Kings: Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

Calico Ridge: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub **The California Rangers:** McCabe's Beach Club

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The Ranch Rockers: Renegade Inn

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EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

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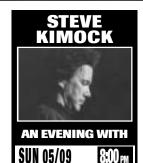
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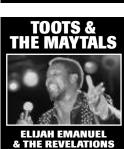
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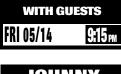




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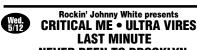
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Zota: Lestat's Coffeehouse

EXTENSION 4009

BLUES / SOUL

The Bayou Brothers [948]:

The Big Slam Band: Fannie's

Blue Four [943]: Patrick's II Blue Rockit /955/: Tio Leo's Lounge

The Blues Brokers: The Kraken, Patrick's II

The Boogiemen: The Gordon Biersch Brewery, Tiki House

Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters [932]: Shooters Bar and Grill, Chateau Orleans, The Wyndham Emerald Plaza

The Daily Blues Band: Patrick's II The Funky Players: U.S. Grant

The Greasy Petes: Tiki House

CeeCee James & Midnight Express: McP's Irish Pub and Grill

Johnny "B" Blues: Coyote Bar and

Lafayette & the Leasebreakers [**930**]: Patrick's II

Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak [952]: Patrick's II

The Bill Magee Blues Band [947]: Patrick's II

Kymberlee Maxine: Elario's Bistro

Jeff Moore: The Calypso Cafe

Nite Life [934]: Pal Joey's

The Nude Blues: Bahia Belle Cruise Dean Smith: The Calvoso Cafe

The Soul City Survivors: Viejas

The Soul Persuaders [945]:

The Soul Revue: Jimmy Love's

Earl Thomas [946]: Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille, Caffe Calabria

Billy Watson: Coyote Bar and Grill

EXTENSION 4010

EVERYTHING ELSE

Shirley Allen: Red Fox Steakhouse Tom Barabas: G-5 George's on Fifth

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Elliott Louis: Bahia Hotel Vicki Erigat: Edelweiss Restaurant Kjell Holmes [994]: Edelweiss

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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.

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 '80s: Thursdays, new wave, electro, synthpop, and new romantic. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744. Information, 877-695-5827 (toll free).

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. Information, 619-333-0127.

Darkwave Garden: Wednesdays, 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.

Faction-6: Wednesdays, DJ Liquid Grey and guests spin elektroclash, synthpop, Brit pop, mod, and dreampop. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744.

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

Groove Society: Third Friday of the month, DJs Jon Bishop, Jef

Phillips, and guests. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Recognize, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights. 619-521-4747.

MixLab: Sundays, DJ Dex's eclectic "listening session": jazz 'n' abstract, alt hip-hop, downtempo sonics, future soul, and ultraglobal vibes. 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.

Remix: Sundays, real hip-hop with DJs Mike Czech, Myxzlplix, and guests. No cover; 21 and up. Bar Dynamite, 1808 Washington Street, Mission Hills. 619-295-8743.

Sabbat: Saturdays, DJs Adam Atom, Dekay, Lance Boling, and weekly guest DJs. Dark electro, gothic, darkwave, industrial, and fetish. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, San Diego. 619-574-0744. Information, 619-743-1623.

Therapy: Fridays, industrial, EBM, electro, ethereal, gothic, and darkwave with DJs Bryan Pollard, DeKay, Creep, and guests. 21 and up; 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Club Rio, 1299 Camino del Rio South, San Diego. Information, 877-695-5827 (toll free).

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Unleashed/Unlabeled: Second Saturday of the month, DJ Void spins alternative '80s inside; DJ Etch spins trance, lounge, and electronic outside. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown. 619-296-6789.

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Album Name: Evolution (2002)
Artist: The Rob Thorsen Quartet

Label: Azica Records

Songs: 1) Would You? 2) Besame Mucho 3) Let's Fall in Love 4) Disarray 5) Intimacy of the Blues 6) Mohave 7) Drawing Room Blues 8) Evidence 9) Blues Clues 10) Sad Guy

Price/Where Available: www.azica.com for \$15.98 plus

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Band Members: Rob Thorsen (bass), Mike Wofford (piano), Duncan Moore (drums), Harold Mason (drums), Chuck Manning (saxophone), Holly Hofmann (flute), Kamau Kenyatta (soprano saxophone)

Extra Info: Rob Thorsen began playing the baritone ukulele at the age of seven.

Website: www.azica.com

Bassist Rob Thorsen and his associates shine with this dynamic session of classic jazz tinged with salsa, blues, and bop. The album features ten cuts, each as distinctive as the next. The title track "Would You?" starts things off with a lively solo by tenor saxophonist Chuck Manning. On the other end of the spectrum, Thorsen's take on Brazilian composer Antonio Carlos Jobim's "Mojave" mixes a Latin groove with flute and percussion.

Thorsen lends his compositional skills to several cuts that range from the cacophonous "Disarray" to the mellower "Blues Clues" (including a resplendent piano solo by Mike Wofford) to the paradoxically upbeat "Sad Guy." The disc also includes a few classic tracks from jazz staples Billy Strayhorn and Thelonius Monk. Thorsen's rendition of Strayhorn's "Intimacy of the Blues," with its mesmeric bass line, provides a moment of familiarity. The overall sound is enhanced by the arrangements, each innovative and vibrant, and amplified by stellar musicianship. This is especially noted on the slower cuts like "Let's Fall in Love," where the clarity of the band is impeccable. The contribution of every member is perceptible, with alternating riffs and layered harmonies.

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Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Friday, 9:15 p.m., The Fenians and Skelpin, Irish folk. Saturday, 9:15 p.m., Maktub, rock. Sunday, 8 p.m., Steve Kimock, rock. Monday, 8:30 p.m., Toots & the Maytals and Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations, reggae. Tuesday, 9 p.m., Stripped, Billy Midnight, and Pete Thurston, rock/acoustic. Wednesday, 8 p.m., Great Big Sea and Carbon Leaf, alternative.

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. **Boar Cross'n,** 390 Grand Avenue Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Uptown Groove*, pop/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., the Third Coast Jazz Trio

Cafe Europa, 667 San Rodolfo, Solana Beach. 858-793-4693. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Geoff Pearlman, Quincy, Simply* Complex, and Bridget Brigitte, folk.

The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, *Jeff Moore & Dean Smith*, blues. Saturday, *Calson*,

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *the Orbitz*, jazz.

Cheers, 2475 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-0270. Thursday, 9 p.m., Friday, A.J. Croce, jazz. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m., Point Blank, classic rock. Sunday, Mike Gardner, acoustic.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300
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Time, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to
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The Flying Bridge, 1105 North Coast Highway, Oceanside. 760-722-1151. Thursday, 8 p.m. to midnight, the Johnnyfree Variety Band.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, Mother Funk. Saturday, call club for information.

The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, 5951 Linea del Cielo, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-1131. Thursday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock.

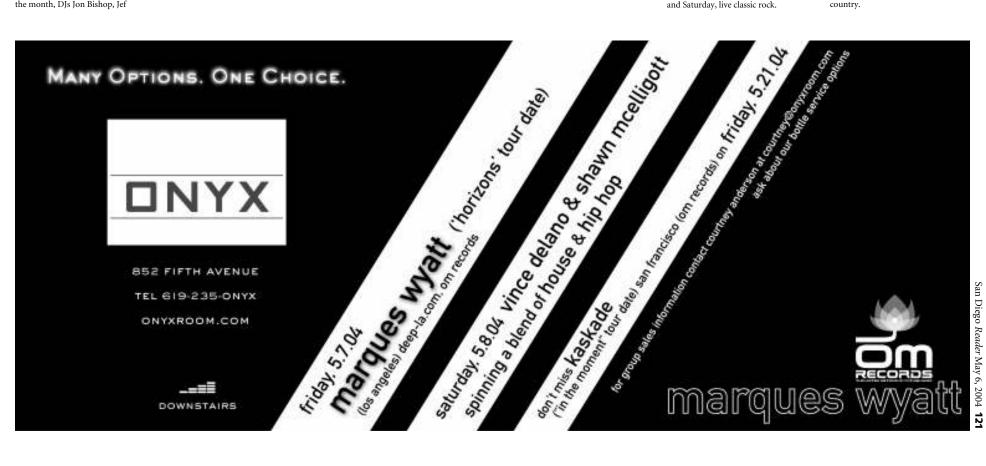
Sunday, *Blues Brokers*, blues. Wednesday, call club for information.

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.

M3 Espresso Cafe, 3910 Vista Way, Oceanside. 760-758-6363. Thursday, 8 p.m., Melissa Coffee, folk. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., Rob Carona. Sunday, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., live music, call club for information. Monday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., Blake Williams, acoustic. Tuesday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., Jeff Utter, acoustic. Wednesday, the Social Slackers, slack-key guitar, or the Western Continentals, western roots, or Fred Adams, acoustic.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *Plug Uglies*, *80s Heat, and the Scotch Greens, alternative. Wednesday, *Goldfish*, retto funk

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Friday, *the California Rangers*,





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258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, Dixieland jazz. Friday, *With Intent*, rock. Saturday, *Dos Dudes*, rock.

Mille Fleurs, 6009 Pasco 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.

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, 6:15 p.m. to 9:15 p.m., *Cradit Union*, swing. Friday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., live music. Saturday, 9:30 p.m., rock, hip-hop. Sunday, 9:30 p.m., rock en español. Monday, 8:30 p.m., swing.

Patrick's Irish Pub, 13314 Poway Road, Poway. 858-486-0764. Friday, 9 pm, *Eiderdown*, rock and roll.

The Quails Inn, 1035 La Bonita Drive, Lake San Marcos. 760-744-2445. Lakeside Lounge: Friday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., the Daniel Stratman Trio, jazz. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., Gil Palacios, piano. Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., the Patrick & Paul Duo, jazz.

Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizcocho Restaurant: Friday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., and Monday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

Squid Joe's, 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-4996. Friday, For What It's Worth, the Degrees of Separation, and the Essentials, alternative.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *Big Blue Cat*, rock. Saturday, call club for information. Wednesday, 9 p.m., open mike.

Tom Giblin's Irish Pub &

Restaurant, 640 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-7234. Wednesday, 9 p.m., *Highland Way*, Irish folk.

Tomiko Bar & Grill, 87 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-633-3587. Saturday, 8 pm to 10 pm, *Ben Powell*, blues, jazz.

BEACHES

Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach. 858-488-0551. Tangier Bar: Friday and Saturday, 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, *Elliott Louis*, contemporary piano/vocals.

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, Take Over Turn, Indrid Cold Band, and Born Tonight, rock. Friday, Money Shot and You and What Army?, alternative. Saturday, starting at noon, Ishmael the Peacemaker, The Fryday Band, The Devastators, Devices, Tail Gunner, and Decompression, reggae/rock/alternative. Sunday, 4 p.m., Pau Hana, Island sounds. Monday, open mike. Tuesday, The Matt Fowler Band, 1/4 Down, and Golden Dawn. rock/alternative.

Wednesday, Heaving Grooves,

'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Wet Bar: Friday, Kottonmouth Kings, OPM, and Judge D. Saturday, Tainted Love, Richard Cheese & Lounge Against the Machine. Tuesday, Sugar Ray, Tony C., and The Truth. Wednesday, Critical Me, Ultra Virus, Last Minute, and Never Been to Brooklyn.

Cannibal Bar, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-1081, Friday.



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the 80z Allstars, pop. Saturday, the B-Side Players, Latin 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. Call club for information.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-8131, Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, Downpour, and Sharelle. Friday, Nilo, Shaggin' Wagon, Spoken Gun, and Backseat Love Affair. Saturday, Dr. Chunk, Societies Victim, Filth Juggernaut, and Modessa.

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Music is blues/jazz unless otherwise noted. Friday, *Jack Pollack*, piano and vocals. Saturday, 8 pm to 11 pm, and Wednesday, 7 pm to 10 pm, *Rick Ross*, jazz piano, saxophone, and vocals. Tuesday, *Sean McVicker*, jazz.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Friday, 10 p.m., Gayle Ritt, rock.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *Jiggawatt*, rock. Saturday, *NZ Rough*, reggae.

Il Forno Mediterranean Bistro, 909 Prospect Street (next to the Hard Rock Cafe), La Jolla. 858-459-5010. The Room: Call club for information.

La Scala, 1101 Scott Street, Point Loma. 619-224-2272. Friday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Dean Paul Ratzman, piano, npet, vocals.

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., enco guitar.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Wednesday, *NZ Rough*, reggae.

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.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Call club for

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, the Greasy Petes, rock/blues. Saturday, 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., the Boogiemen R&B, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., the Big Provider, rock/alternative, 9 p.m., Agave, rock. Sunday, Chris Kelly's open-mike night. Wednesday, *Hot Lunch*, rock.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street. Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *The Devastators*, reggae. Friday, *Animal Liberation Orchestra* and Albino, alternative. Saturday, The Slip, rock. Sunday, Emilio Camacho y sus Rumberas, Latin. Monday, Electric Waste Band, classic rock. Tuesday, The Clumsy Lovers and Janet Robins, rock. Wednesday, Starshak, reggae.

SAN DIEGO

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*

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.

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Monday, *Jenn Grinels*, folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *Larger Than Leon*, alternative.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Bueno Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Thursday, Racing the Sun, the Infants, and Heaving Grooves. Friday, Dragon Lounge, and Meat Katie. Saturday, Exodus, Broken Foundation, and Downspell. Wednesday, New Model Army, Devices, and Erase the Day.

Caffe Calabria, 3933 30th Street, North Park. 619-291-1759. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Earl Thomas, blues, and Heine Anderson, acoustic

California Club, 5522 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Music is alternative. Friday, Scaramanga and Plural. Saturday, Sweetness, Happy Ending, and the

The Caliph, 3100 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-9495. Friday, 9 pm, Kevin Cavanaugh, lounge piano. Saturday, Blue Velvet, jazz. Monday, Donell, piano. Wednesday, Del Crone, contemporary.

Claire de Lune, 2905 University Avenue, North Park, 619-688-9845. Friday, 8 p.m., the Christy Bruneau Band and Saba, acoustic.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Friday, *Moneen, Northstar, The Fight*, and Chronic Future, Saturday, Snow Patrol and Carina Round. Sunday, The Beautiful Mistake, Emery, Anatomy of a Ghost, Against All Hope, and Blueprint Car Crash.

Etta's Place, 6179 University Avenue (at College and University). 619-582-6730. Wednesday, *the Lovelords*, alternative/'60s rock band.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego 619-688-1120. Friday, the Boogiemen, R&B

Henry's Pub, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-238-2389, Thursday, a Flock of '80s, pop rock. Tuesday, the Stilettos, rockabilly.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.

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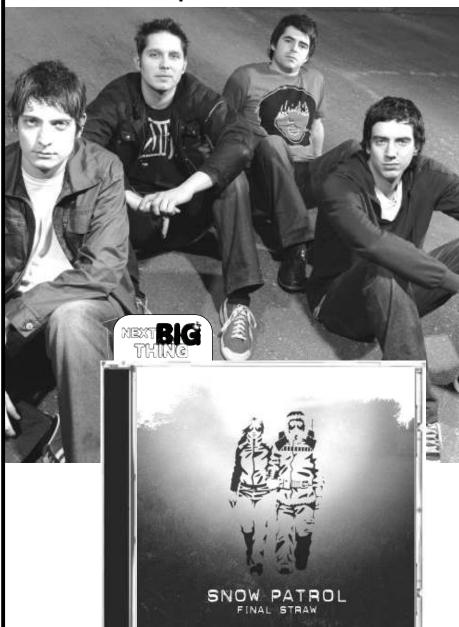


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619-224-3577. The Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 9 p.m., *Tab Benoit*, rock. Friday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Aunt Kizzy'z* Boyz, blues, 9:30 p.m., Eve Selis Band, roadhouse rock. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Cheryl Bentyne, jazz, 9:30 p.m., Detroit Underground, Motown/dance. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Jose Molina Serrano, 8 p.m. to midnight, Michael Ward. Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Calvin Romance, jazz. Tuesday, 8 p.m., The Soul Persuaders.

The Imperial House, 505 Kalmia Street, San Diego. 619-234-3525. Friday and Saturday, *Rick Lyon*, contemporary keyboard.

The Inn Suites, 2223 El Caion Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., workshop/concert with the San Diego Concert Jazz Band.

The Inn at the Park, 623 Spruce Street, San Diego. 619-291-0999. Thursday, 7 pm to 11 pm, *Karen* Giorgio, piano, vocals, open mike

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.

The Kensington Club, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-284-2848. Friday, the Teeth, Twenty-Year Fix, and Fono. Saturday, the Millionaires and the Turnstyles.

Lestat's Coffeehouse, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Pete Thurston. Friday, Crystal Yoakum the Coyote Problem, and Dave Howard. Saturday, Anya Marina and the Remotor. Sunday, Zota. Monday, open

Marriott Hotel, 333 West Harbor Drive, San Diego. 619-230-8909. Molly's: Friday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Jazz Duo.

Marriott Hotel, 8757 Rio San Diego Drive, Mission Valley. 619-692-3800. Club Kicks: Friday, 8 p.m., Funkenstein, old skool/funk

O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, *Calico Ridge*, country. Saturday, *the* Noise Boys, rock.

The Ould Sod, 3373 Adams nue, Normal Heights, 619-284 6594. Friday, Brax, rock. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, the Hatchet Brothers, folk.

Pal Joey's, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Nite Life*, blues.

Red Fox Steakhouse, $2228 \; \mathrm{El}$ Cajon Boulevard, North Park. 619-297-1313. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, Shirley Allen, piano.

Rosie O'Grady's, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-7666. Saturday, live rock/blues.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 60ne9, classic rock.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego, 619-226-SOMA. Thursday, 7 p.m., Maldita Vecindad and Los Kung Fu Monkeys. Friday, 7 p.m., Avenged Sevenfold, My Chemical Romance, Noise Ratchet, Moments in Grace, and Undermind Saturday, Sugarcult, Mae, Spitalfield, and Communique. Wednesday, Matchbook Romance, Maxeen, The Matches, Bleed the Dream, and Ember

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, Big Rig Deluxe, rockabilly. Friday, Mississippi Mudd, blues. Saturday, Blue Rockit and Lisa Campell Band, blues/rock. Monday, swing. Tuesday, zydeco.

Top of the Cove, 1216 Prospect Avenue, La Jolla. 858-454-7779. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 pm, *Kristi* Rickert, piano.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee **Company,** 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616.

Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8:30 p.m. Peddling to Strangers, Beezeley, Lucy's Falling, and Aaron Strout. Friday, 8:30 p.m., Jamie Crawford, Saba Ashley Matte, Terra Naomi, and Dave's Son. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., the Northstar Session, Jack the Original, Jim Bianco, and Ted Ehr. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., the Celtic Ensemble. Wednesday, open

DOWNTOWN

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth downtown, 619-233-8519. Friday through Sunday, and Wednesday, Steve Brewer, acoustic.



MUSIC ➤ reggae, hip-hop, rock,

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ Monday is

Wednesday is open mike (with a P.A.

and guitars), Thursday has movies,

Friday and Saturday have live bands,

Sunday is spoken word (and they

have hip-hop nights periodically)

p.m. (must be 21 for alcohol

purchases or 18 to use hookah

pipes); average age mid-20s; 60%

Caucasian, 25% African-American,

15% Latino (those numbers may

music is played); 60% female

comedy night

change depending on what type of

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around (lounge is close enough to

Horton Plaza, which gives you three

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DRESS ➤ casual; a few with hats or

berets trying to look like beat poets;

mostly jeans and T-shirts (including

four salads (\$5.50), lasagna (\$6),

ACCESS ➤ between Sixth and

8:00 a.m.-2:00 a.m., Sunday 6:00

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DANCE FLOOR ➤ about 25' by 20' FIRE EXITS ➤ two — main entrance and one at back of the stage

BATHROOMS ➤ men's was closed for repairs; women's had two stalls with doors that would have needed quarters to use, but both were open; two sinks, two mirrors, liquid soap, and paper towels; clean and looked new

SPECIAL AREAS > an area with three computers, all with Internet access; a smoking area in the front that is well covered (and you can still see and hear the bands); four areas that each have three long couches and coffee tables

FURNISHINGS ➤ ATM, long lights hang down above each couch. pillows on the couches, tables behind the couches, paintings on the wall for sale

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ 124 when Ronny North played an instrumental on electric guitar; 121 at Scolari's Office last week

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MONTH ➤ Muddy Bricks **OUOTABLE** ➤ "Do you think anyone ever puts pot in those hookah pipes?"

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On Saturday night there's a bunch of bands, each doing short sets. I saw Simply Complex play some good rock. And Ronny North did some heavier stuff that sounded like Satriani meets Eddie Van Halen

-Josh Board

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Transfer*, *Sing the Body Electric*, *Static Halo*, and The Strangers Six. Friday, Goodbye Blue Monday, The Building Press, Waterline Drift, and lowcloudcover. Saturday, The North Atlantic, This Holiday Life, Irradio, and Rayleigh Scattering. Sunday, Manic Hispanic, and guests. Monday, The Constantines and Audio Learning Center. Tuesday, Ambulance, LTD., Swandive, and

Parklife. Wednesday, Lords of

Altamont, Big Elf, Disciples, and Licorice Quartet.

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Club Montage, 2028 Hancock Street, Balboa Park, 619-418-8858. Call club for information.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, the David Patrone Jazz Quartet. Friday, Yavaz. Saturday, Primo. Sunday, the Archtones. Monday, Dave Scott. Tuesday, the Shep Meyers Quartet. Wednesday, the Jorge Camberos Quintet. Croce's Top Hat Bar and Grille,

802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. Friday, Earl Thomas, blues. Saturday, the Eve Selis Band,

Dakota Grill and Spirits, 901 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5554. Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Peter Robberecht/Pianoman, pop/Top

Dick's Last Resort, 345 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-231-9100. Thursday and Friday, *Private Domain*

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rock and roll Saturday, the Friction Addiction, rock. Sunday, Hera's Olive, rock. Tuesday, Ron's Garage, acoustic rock. Wednesday, the New Breed Band, pop.

Dizzy's, 344 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 858-270-7467. Thursday, 8 p.m., Jonathon Kreisberg, Gary Versace, and Mark Ferber, jazz. Friday, 8 p.m., Mtafiti Imara, John Opferkuch, Gunnar Biggs, Tim McMahon, and Alan Philips, jazz. Saturday, 8:30 p./m., Hollis Gentry, Larry Logan, Kevin Green, and Bryan McConnell,



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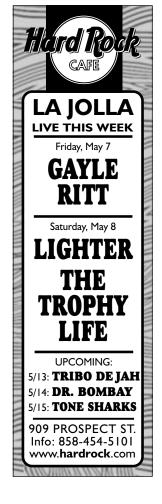
















jazz. Monday, 8:30 p.m., the Brian Eisenberg Tentet, jazz.

Dublin Square, 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-5818. Live music nightly.

4th & B. 345 B Street, downtown 619-231-4343. Friday, 9 p.m., My Morning Jacket and M. Ward, alternative. Saturday, 9 p.m., Pat McGee Band and Michael Tolcher, alternative/rock.

G-5 George's on Fifth, 835 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-702-0444. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, Tom Barabas, classical

Jimmy Love's, 672 Fifth Avenue (corner of Fifth and G), downtown. 619-595-0123. Thursday, 9:45 p.m., Atomic Groove, dance/pop. Friday and Saturday, 9:45 p.m., Super Funk Fantasy, pop. Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Masterpiece, jazz. Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time, jazz. Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., Mystique, jazz, funk, R&B. Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., the Soul Revue, Top 40.

The Latin Room, 560 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-237-7800. Call club for information.

Martini Ranch, 528 F Street, downtown, 619-235-6100, Sunday, the Tribe of Kings, reggae. Wednesday, 9 p.m., the David Patrone Quartet,

bold:On Broadway, 615 Broadway Avenue, downtown, 619-231-0011. Friday, 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., in the Zen Cafe, and 10 p.m. to 1 a.m., in the Vault, live jazz, Latin, and funk.

Patrick's II. 428 F Street. downtown. 619-233-3077. Music is blues unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Bayou Brothers*. Friday, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Daily Blues Band*, 9 p.m., Lafayette & the Leasebreakers. Saturday, Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak. Sunday, Blue Largo. Monday, Blues Brokers. Tuesday, Blue Four. Wednesday, Bill Magee Blues.

Princess Pub & Grille, 1665 India

619-702-3021. Saturday, J.D. Boucharde, piano.

Rock Bottom, 401 G Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-7000. Friday, Kraze, pop. Saturday, Jungle Boogie,

Sassafras Bar and Grill, 3667 India Street, San Diego. 619-295-4745. Friday, *Victoria Rose*, classic guitar and Celtic harp.

Sevilla, 555 Fourth Avenue, downtown, 619-233-5979, Thursday, Rico Tumbao, salsa. Wednesday, Timbaleye, salsa.

The Shout House, 655 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-231-6700. Thursday through Sunday, and Wednesday, high-energy rock and roll dueling pianos

U.S. Grant Hotel, 326 Broadway, downtown. 619-232-3121. Bar: Thursday, 8 p.m., Gilbert Castellanos & the Salsa Party Jam. Friday, the Funky Players with Calvin Romance, funk/R&B.

The Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown. 619-238-1818. The Plaza Bar: Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m., Fran Loskota, piano and vocals. Sunday and Monday, Julio de la Huerta, guitar and vocals. Tuesday and Wednesday, Faith Page, piano and vocals.

The Wyndham Emerald Plaza, 400 West Broadway, downtown. 619-239-4500. Lobby: Thursday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Reggie Smith*, jazz Saxophone. Friday, 5 pm to 8 pm, the Sam Johnson Trio, bass/piano/sax, and Janet Hammer, vocals. Wednesday, Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters, blues.

SOUTH BAY/ CORONADO

Buon Giorno Restaurant. 4110 Bonita Road, Bonita. 619-473-2007. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Cirro, Latin. Friday, 9 p.m. to midnight, Jesse Davis, variety. Saturday, Latin

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Cafe LaMaze, 1441 Highland Avenue, National City. 619-474-3222. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, Sandy Chappel and Sammy Dale Canonizado, piano bar.

Club Caribe, 5080 Bonita Road, Bonita, Call club for information.

Coronado Island Marriott

(formerly Le Meridian), 2000 Second Street, Coronado. 619-435-3000. Saturday, 6 p.m., the Jaime Valle Jazz Quartet.

Di-mond Jim's Nightclub, 773 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-585-7323. Thursday, *DJ T* and *DJ Beer*, rock. Friday and Saturday, *Undercover* and *the Evil Twins*, classic rock.

Edelweiss Restaurant, 230 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-426-5172. Friday and Saturday, 6 p.m., *Gordon Kohl, Kjell Holmes*, or *Vicki Eriqat*, European and ethnic accordion.

Hotel del Coronado, 1550 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-6611. Babcock & Story: Thursday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., also, Friday and Saturday, 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Tony Lasley*, Latin jazz. Friday and Saturday, 8:30 p.m., *Barbara Jamerson*, jazz.

Palm Court: Thursday through Sunday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Ray Briz*. Also, Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., *Joey West*. Monday through Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *John Cain*. Prince of Wales: Thursday and

Prince of Wales: Thursday and Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., the Shep Meyers Quartet. Friday through Sunday, and Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Daniel Jackson, jazz.

Crown Room: Thursday, noon to 7 p.m., *Kippy Lee Scott*, harpist. Ballroom: Thursday, 10 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., *John Cain*.

Island Sports & Spirits, 104 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-3456. Friday, *Jake*, acoustic. Saturday, *3-P Soope*, alternative rock.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Thursday, Ron's Garage, acoustic rock. Friday, the Stilettos, rockabilly. Saturday, CeeCee James & Midnight Express, blues. Sunday, Jim



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Club Iguana, 9325 Mission Gorge Road, Santee. 619-562-2710. Call club for information.

Dirk's Niteclub, 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove. 619-469-6344. Friday and Saturday, *Pale Black*, classic rock.

Don's Cocktail Lounge, 13321 Business Highway 8, El Cajon. 619-443-2444. Friday and Saturday, *Elmore Jennings*, country.

Fannie's, 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley. 619-698-2204. Friday, *Blue Faro*, rock. Saturday, *Calamity Jam*, rock. Wednesday, *the Big Slam Band*, blues.

The German-American

Societies, 1017 South Mollison Avenue, El Cajon. 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 p.m., the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band featuring Jo Dark.

Mr. Joey's Cantina, 9570 Murray Drive, La Mesa. 619-466-2912. Friday, live rock/jazz. Saturday, 7 p.m., *Los Reyes del Ritmo*, Latin.

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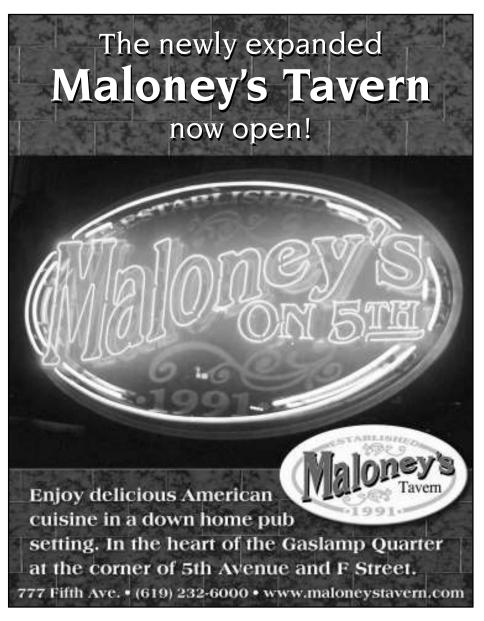
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Some Like It Ra

What's the perfect light dinner before an evening ballgame, a show, an opera? For me, it's not burgers or greasy bar food but sushi and Asian appetizers — noshes that are satisfying but not soporific. The new Ra Sushi is the largest of five sushi spots within walking distance of Petco. With space for 160 snackers, drinkers, and diners, you'll find a seat at Ra before any nearby

Ra Sushi is a Scottsdale-based chain (our branch is the fifth of seven) founded in 1997 by recent University of Arizona graduates Richard B. Howland II and Scott Kilpatrick. Ra's ads and publicity materials tout it as a high-energy party scene,

Alternative rock makes the sidewalk out front tremble, but the volume drops once you step inside. The decor is loud enough — 4000 square feet of crimson and black, accented with bamboo, steel, and faux rice paper. My companion and I bypassed the bar, filled with clusters of thirtyish revelers, and headed for the dining room's leather banquettes opposite the sushi bar.

A waitress handed us several menus: a paper sushi menu with a pencil for checking off choices; mini-menu cards describing house specialties and happy-hour deals (with the motto "A bird in the hand makes hard to blow nose"); and the full menu, offering 14 inches of tiny print under plastic lamination.

The food turned out to be a mix of the dire and the delicious. On the first visit, we sampled happy-hour specials. Only one made us happy: the spinach gyoza were simple fun. The Japanese style dumplings mated spinach-noodle dough to a vegetable filling of fine-chopped rice noodles, carrots, and shiitake mushroom shreds. Although the wrappers were dry from reheating in a warmer oven, I liked the texture.

Edamame, the sushi-bar snack of boiled soybeans, can tell you a lot about a restaurant. At Ra, the pods were old and tough, the beans mealy, and an ocean's worth of salt couldn't restore their freshness. Pineapple wontons were perfectly fried, puffy, and greaseless, but the pineapple chunks dotting the Philly creamcheese filling were underripe. The dish benefited from a spicy pineapple dipping sauce and a slaw of shredded cabbage with salted mayonnaise. Another cut-price snack, described as "scal-



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lop dynamite," featured bivalve meats baked with cremini mushrooms in a mingling of mayonnaise and hot sauce. The sauce was rich and flavorful and the mushrooms juicy, but both were devastated by the "fishy" flavor of the bay

Fleeing to the regular appetizer menu, we found a dish that met the "dynamite" description. A spicy cream sauce swathes baked

green mussel meats over wasabi mashed potatoes. Instead of the usual puréed russets, Ra uses coarsely crushed, unpeeled new red spuds. Their firm sweetness stands up to the wasabi and the unctuous sauce.

We loved the miso soup, with green nori seaweed, tofu cubes, and minced scallions. The fry-cook showed a fine hand again with shrimp and vegetable tempura in a delicate batter. The shrimp are skewered and flash-boiled before frying to straighten them into batons, and the tempura pieces are arranged to resemble a scifi quadruped, with four shrimp as legs. On top is a square of succulent eggplant. The array

includes onion rings, asparagus spears, rectangles of winter squash (not as sweet as they could be), red and green pepper rings, and zucchini sticks. The shrimp are barely cooked, so tender you don't need teeth. Alongside is a dip of warm, light soy sauce.

A trio of blue-claw crab cakes is soft and creamy under a crumb coating, but with a hot-pepper edge. The cakes are served with

ginger mayonnaise and surrounded by fried chow mein noodles.

My favorite dish at Ra is an appetizer of seared dill salmon. Nearly all the salmon in sushi bars is frozen to kill the parasites that assail this species. (Previously frozen seafood of many species is common at sushi bars across America and Japan, due to the parasite problem. The best are flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen on shipboard: they taste fresher than never-frozen fish that spent days iced in the boat's hold.) The ruby slices are arranged amid sweet pickled onions. A citric vinaigrette is made with the juice of yuzu, a Japanese fruit hinting at grape-

Ra Sushi

★★ (good)

1014 Fifth Avenue (at Broadway), downtown; 619-321-0021; www.rasushi.com

HOURS: Daily, 11:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m. **PRICES:** Sushi, \$1.50–\$11; appetizers, \$3–\$12; noodles and entrés, \$8-\$19.50.

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fruit, orange, and lime. The sauce is flavored with dill weed.

Several fad-food dishes from decades past don't fare well: the coconut shrimp tempura batons, with their heavy crumb coating, aren't just a throwback to the '80s but a devolution of the original dish. Smoked plum spare ribs, available as an appetizer or an entrée, feature pork that tastes as if it's been simmered tender before a quick reheating. A trace of smoke exists in the gooey-sweet sauce. The entrée of chicken katsu (Japanese cutlets) was the worst version I can remember, breast strips pounded as dry as rub-





ber bands, plastered with a crumb breading. The strips were fried so that the coating had started to separate from the meat. The wasabi mash couldn't rescue them; neither could an underlay of cabbage shreds dressed in rice vinegar and dark sesame oil.

Then there's the sushi. Although Ra is named for it, the sushi is inconsistent from hour to hour, night to night, roll to roll. We started on a Tuesday (when seafood ought to be fresh) with uni nigiri, a roll of sea urchin roe. The roe. while edible, had none of the ocean air of top-notch product; its flavor and texture indicated it was on its last usable day before an iodine off-taste

would set in. The rice was pleasant, with a balance of sweet sourness from sushi vinegar.

A spicy scallop hand-roll brought a reprise of bay scallops, slithering greasy textured inside a cone of rice daubed with hot sauce but minus any trace of Japanese mayo. The nori wrapping was chewy, a sign of long storage, because pressed seaweed toughens in response to a humid environment, such as a kitchen. (Many top sushi chefs warm their nori sheets to recrisp them before rolling.)

An hour after the first set of sushi, we tried another variety. By now the rice grains were cold, clumpy, and sticky. A new batch was overdue. The

ama ebi (sweet shrimp) seemed frozen, sweet but wan. One of two rolls was daubed with wasabi; the other was naked. The deep-fried heads were slightly greasy. The oil was hot enough to crisp the tentacles but too cool to blast the carapace into edibility. The tomalley inside one head tasted like iodine; the other was okay.

A few nights later, we focused on house specialty rolls. A spicy lobster roll is wrapped in soy paper rather than nori. The soft paper is a change of pace, but it's hard to tell if the filling's ingredients, described as "lobster mix, cilantro, jalapeño, lettuce, avocado, and cucumber," were present in the nugget of stuffing we found in the cylinder of rice. The marriage of hot pepper and sweet lobster meat seemed forced.

We were taken by a lobster shrimp roll, a difficult inside-out roll with a core of lobster, cucumber, and avocado enclosed within a coil of nori, surrounded by rice and topped with flash-boiled shrimp. The flavors and textures resemble a high-class California roll, and the maki is plated on an herbal vinaigrette (which I could have done without). A rainbow roll is draped with multicolored slices of four or five finfish, including a velvety, dark-red maguro (tuna). Its center holds the classic California roll filling of crab mix, avocado, and cucumber.

The happy-hour beverages and bar specialties sound tempting. Resist. At happy hour, a \$4 glass of Duck Pond Chardonnay (from the Columbia Valley, and no relation to California's Duckhorn or even Frog's Leap) tasted more like frog puddle, bland but muddy. Another evening, my boyfriend and I shared the house-special cocktail, a "Tsunami." It's a goldfish bowl of varied fruit juices over ice. with a flavor similar to a New Orleans "Hurricane" — minus most of the latter's alcohol. Ra offers one of my favorite sakes. unfiltered Momokawa Pearl nigori, which is fizzy like a Prosecco or Vouvray. It arrives inside a small wooden box, the traditional vessel for nigori; you're supposed to sip from a

Desserts here are for the young-at-mouth. A coconut crème brûlée tastes more like sugar-laden Coco Lopez drink mix than natural coconut cream. Tempura cinnamon ice cream is not the "fried ice cream" of Chinese restaurants. Instead, it offers four large wedges of ice cream, their outer edges coated with soft crêpe batter. Several sweet syrups are dripped on and about the dish. Other choices are peanut butter cheesecake and chocolate-stuffed fried bananas with Kahlua sauce and chocolate ice cream.





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Starlight Lover

"My aunt returned to Vientiane. She's opened a restaurant there. So you see, things are getting better in Laos."

rom across the road, it's just a little strip mall with funny writing. But I recognize the script. It means one thing. Food from my favorite country! Little landlocked Laos. Don't get me started. The mountains. The people. The sticky heat. The sticky rice...part of my Lost Youth.

Should I awaken those ghosts and all the grumbling discontent I know I'm gonna suffer? My feet decide. I head for the mall's one eatery. Ten seconds later, I look up at Sri Savang Vattana, the last king of Laos, peering out from a gold frame.

Two Laotian families sit around tables, waiting for food. You can see three cooks - all women working in the steaming kitchen. Lao Buddhist wood carvings line the counter. Photos of temples dot the green cinder-block walls. A big-screen TV murmurs near the little altar. You almost expect to see the Mekong rolling past outside or hear an elephant trumpeting in distant trees. Ah, Lan Xangthe Land of a Million Elephants...

I sit down at a table. An older Laotian guy sits nearby, slurping up a bowl of pho (say "fur"), the universal Southeast Asian breakfast-lunch soup swirling with vegetables and slices of meat. Now

I catch other savory, gingery smells.

A Lao gal in a boxing T-shirt gets up from where she's sitting with a bunch of kids and young people. "Hi," she says. Name's Bobbie, part of the family here. Two grandparents, 13 children, count-

less grandchildren. She drops off a menu and a glass of water.

When I think Lao, I think salads. Hot salads. Spicy hot, that is. Larb is the one you might even call the national dish. It's finely chopped chicken, pork, beef, or for some, the best — fish in spices and broth mixed with fried, crushed

rice grains, plus a plate of raw veggies and sticky rice. Sticky rice. That's the Lao thing. Eaten with pork, salads, custard, mango, almost everything.

Ah, yes. Those exotic dishes are coming back to me like a dream of a lost lover. But Bobbie squishes it good. "Actually, Lao food is quite plain and simple. Vegetables, freshwater fish, chicken, pork, occasional beef, sticky rice, and noodles,

Not for me. Let's see: larb is \$5.50. A dish the Lao call tam mak houng (better known by its Thai name, som tum) is basically a salad made from sliced raw papaya, chile, garlic, peanuts, fermented fish sauce, and lime juice (\$5.25). Watch out. It can be hotter than hell. My tongue still shivers when I think of the last time I was careless with tam mak houng. Bobbie says the other popular dish is the barbecued beef (\$5.95), which has a spicy sauce too. They have tamer Chinese noodle dishes, like sweet-and-sour pork (\$5.25) and chicken with broccoli (\$5.25).

In the end, even though it's about the most expensive thing on the list, I go for Spicy Catfish (\$6.95), just because its cousin, the mudfish, is big in Laos. Comes with ordinary rice. And, oh man, was this my lucky choice? Bobbie brings an oval plateload of steaming catfish chunks. A separate plate holds the mound of rice. I start in, spoon and fork. Plain and simple? With this, you're right back at exotic. Is it ginger? No. The flavor's hotter, sharper, richer, sweeter. Bobbie says we're talking Kaffir lime leaves, Thai basil, garlic, and, most of all, the gingery galanga, sometimes called Laos root.

I clean up that plate and most of the rice in ten minutes flat (can't go too fast with all the bones you've got to haul out). Bobbie shows me the boxed "instant" lunches they have at the counter, like khao poon, which is a combo of thin rice noodles, raw cabbage, beans, mint, and banana blossoms. It comes with a plastic bag of coconut and ground

fish liquid to pour over the rest. Costs \$3.75.

"Or a dessert," she says. "Usually we have sticky rice and coconut milk and mango, but today, just sang kha-nyaa. Sticky rice with custard, \$2.00.

Bobbie left Laos when she was 17 days old, but she has spoken Lao, eaten Lao food, and heard about Laos all her life. Her family took over this place in 2001 and are doing so well, her parents recently went back to Laos to help finance and build a temple in her father's village. "It's the second time in a year they've been back," says Bobbie.

She talks about high-rises in today's busy Vientiane, a town I loved for its sleepiness. I realize I don't want to know about the high-rises. I want to keep Vientiane fixed in my mind as I remember it.

I resist the dessert. Got a bus ride to finance. "So what does 'Sang Dao' mean?" I ask as I hand over my seven bucks.

"Starlight," she says. "My aunt had a restaurant in Orange County. Her name was Sang — 'Light.' Her daughter's name was Dao. 'Star.

'So how come you have the name now?"

"My aunt returned to Vientiane. She's opened a restaurant there. So you see, things are getting better in Laos.3

Just as long as they don't tempt Bobbie back there.

The Place: Sang Dao, 4212 National Avenue (619-263-0914)

Type of Food: Laotian, Thai, Chinese **Prices:** Larb (chopped chicken, pork, beef, or fish in spices, broth, fried rice, with raw veggies, sticky rice), \$5.50; som tum (papaya salad with fish sauce, peanuts), \$5.25; barbecued beef, \$5.95; sweet-and-sour pork, \$5.25; chicken with broccoli, \$5.25; spicy catfish, \$6.95; sticky rice with custard, \$2.00

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"Back where the vineyard is now, we had kind of ugly trash trees, weeds, poison oak, rattlesnakes, and a few pots and pans."

ddy Szyjewicz — former UC Davis professor, now owner of DeVine Consultants — used to teach wine classes for the San Diego County Vintner's Association at Bellefleur Winery in Carlsbad. Now and then, attendees asked

him to take a look at their properties and assess their feasibility for vineyard cultivation. As he traversed the county from the idyllic coastline to the desert above Tecate to "that moonscape on the eastern side around Warner Springs" to Mount Palomar, he discovered the obvious: "The vari-

ation is tremendous." Even if there were a grape that loved part of San Diego the way Cabernet loves Napa, it wouldn't be a countywide success. To further complicate matters, "You can't just go around and look at what the neighbors are growing, the way you could in Napa or Sonoma or Paso Robles, because your neighbors aren't growing any grapes. It's definitely a pioneering endeavor."

Gerry Meisenholder was one of those pioneers. A retired engineer who had spent his life working on machines that would pierce the heavens, his adventures in viticulture began with an effort to tidy up his new back yard in Bonsall. "Back where the vineyard is now," he explains, "we had kind of ugly trash trees, weeds, poison

oak, rattlesnakes, and a few pots and pans. That's what really bothered me — I said, 'I don't want people camping out in my back yard,' " which backs onto a privately owned series of trails. "My wife is, I think, the US's expert baby-clothes de-

signer, and I get invited to the sales meetings. Two or three of them were at the Silverado Country Club in Napa. I started looking at the vineyards and I thought, 'That really looks nice. I don't mind tasting wine; we could do that back there.'

Meisenholder began his research. He read books, paying particular attention to Richard Smart's emphasis on exposing grapes to sunlight. When it comes to uniformly good wine from varied vineyards, "Smart was the first one to come up with the conclusion that the real common denominator is sunlight on the grapes. You want them fairly clear — depending on who you talk to, you need 10 to 15 leaves per cluster." Sunlight also presents a hazard, however — too much can leave the fruit sunburned. "I was up at Opus One, and they took me through their vineyard and talked about their problems. There was a crew of people clipping off sunburned grapes. About 20 percent of their crop is being dropped to the ground." In Meisenholder's view, the Opus vine-

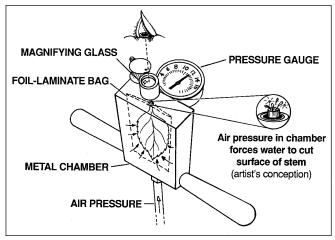
yards are disoriented. In his own vineyard, the fruitbearing canes run east to west, and sunburn prevention is relatively easy. "I leaf-pull on the east side. The grapes get half a day of sun, and in the afternoon — it's the hot afternoon sun that burns them — they're kind of protected."

He consulted experts. "I found out about Dick Grace at Grace Family Vineyards — they make a cult Cabernet up in St. Helena. I went up and visited him." Meisenholder ended up using Grace's vineyard spacing as a model — "the rows are six feet apart,

and the vines are five feet apart. That's tight spacing. Mondavi has a ridiculously tight spacing — three foot by three foot. The theory is that the vines have to duke it out amongst themselves — they've got to be stressed. I can appreciate that, but I can stress them myself. I can leaf-pull; I can do deficit irrigation."

And because it's Meisenholder and not a nearby vine doing the stressing, he gets to apply an engineer's precision to the endeavor. "There's math involved. I'm always surprised: whenever you get into some new field, you'll find that there's a lot of technology. A lot of people say, 'Look, they made wine two thousand years ago — the Egyptians made wine.' I say, 'Yes, and they had some really good wine and some really bad wine, and they didn't know why. Now, we're trying to know why. I think we've got a little more technology [for that purpose]."

Deficit irrigation involves stressing the vine by



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withholding water from the vine during certain portions of the growing cycle. But exactly how much to withhold? "Other people say, 'All we have to do is look at the little tendril coming up and we can tell how much stress is on the vine.' Well, I can tell that, too, but I don't have confidence. With a device, I can measure it."

He bought a leaf-pressure gauge, the same gadget they use at Chappellet, and began using it in conjunction with the website for CIMAS, the California Irrigation Management Information Systems. With the gauge, Meisenholder determines how hard the vine is pulling to get water to the leaves. "It's very much like taking blood pressure, in a way. If it's taking 15 atmospheres of pressure to get water, you're overstressed. Ten atmospheres is sort of stressed — now you do your deficit irrigation. Basically, the CIMIS website tells you exactly how much water it takes in a particular area to keep your grass growing. You

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convert that number using a crop coefficient, depending on what you're growing. The coefficient depends on how much ground is covered by the crop's shadow in dead-on sunlight. If I want to stress the vine at 60 percent, I give it 60 percent of what the CIMIS people tell me."

Of course, before the test-

ing and the stressing the

vineyard had to be planted, and that's why Meisenholder sought out Eddy Szyjewicz. "We tried to take into account the major climate factor from where he is in the county," recalls Szyjewicz, "and the microclimate from where he is in that spot" — on a valley floor. "The cool air tends to drain down the hillsides, and you see an effect from that in the spring. And we talked about the fact that some of the new houses in the neighborhood were bringing in landscaping and sprinklers." (Meisenholder ended up building a streambed in his vineyard to handle the runoff.) Those factors, together with Meisenholder's personal preference, led Szyjewicz to recommend Cabernet, Petite Verdot, and Malbec, to be blended into a Bordeaux-style wine. The Petite Verdot and Malbec went in on the short, south-facing slope; the Cabernet took the flat bottomland.

ready to begin selling his fruit. His first customer was local winemaker Karen Van Der Vort, "and then she went bankrupt. So she was selling her equipment to Mick Dragoo at Belle Marie winery," and Meisenholder's two barrels of wine got lumped into the transfer. "It probably wasn't any good at all. Mick threw it out." But Dragoo, who buys almost all of his fruit from Baja,

By 2000 Meisenholder was

was impressed enough by Meisenholder and his project to take on the '01 harvest. The grapes ended up producing the '01 Belle Marie Meritage. ■

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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NORTH COASTAL

Calypso Cafe 576 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia, 760-632-8252. This "Calypso" has nothing to do with Caribbean music (or food), despite its tropical tiki-hut decor. The cuisine is French, ranging from old warhorses like onion soup and coq au vin to newfangled Gallo-Cal-Italian-Pacific Rim hyphenates such as ahi pissaladière (seared tuna pizza). The traditional dishes are generally the most successful. Mussels are the house specialty, and their rapid turnover here ensures freshness. Although there's nothing revolutionary coming from this kitchen, the cooking is generally agreeable. Dinner nightly, reservations advised. Upper moderate. — *N.W.* (9/01)

Del Mar Pizza 211 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-8088. If you've heard about, dreamed about, or were merely curious about New York pizza, the best local practitioner is now in Del Mar, complete with New York manners. The hot sandwiches are good, but the pizza is in a league by itself. The secret lies in the crust. Lasagne and stuffed eggplant also available, as well as cannoli for dessert. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

I Trulli Trattoria 830 South Coast Highway 101 (between G and H streets), Encinitas, 760-943-6800. An enduring hit in Encinitas (where there's no shortage of Italian restaurants), I Trulli serves modern Italian food with fashionable new ingredients. The menu, subtitled "Nouvelle Italian Cuisine," resembles the somewhat ambitious, generically "northern Italian" bills of fare that you encounter all over Hillcrest and the Gaslamp. (It is, in fact, a sister restau-

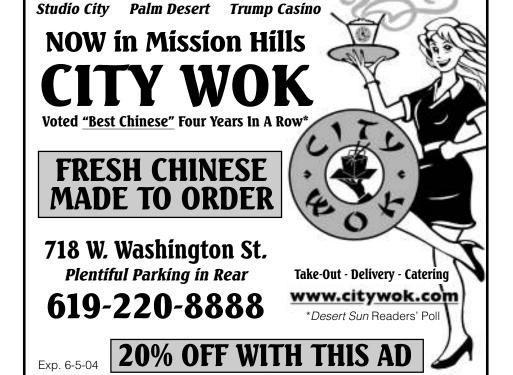
rant to Hillcrest's Arriverderci.) The signifiers of seriousness are the pink peppercorns, goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, and light cream sauces that coexist with the more traditional mozzarellatomato sauce arrays. Best bets are the daily specials, which offer the greatest chance for fresh ingredients and creativity. Busy, cramped, painfully loud inside. Street patio next to highway is also noisy. Reserve for dinner on weekends or expect an hour's wait. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (11/01)

Knockout Pizza 2959 Carlsbad Boulevard, Carlsbad, 760-434-4468. It's New York pizza only here. "People back East are more traditional," says owner James, the ex-boxer, an old sparring buddy of the Bronx Pizza guys in Hillcrest. "We don't do California thick crust, we don't do pineapple, we don't do chicken. We don't do 'personal size,' ei-ther. But we do do slices." They make the pies with traditional thin, crisp crusts and toppings like pepperoni, meatball, garlic, and "whitestone" (mozzarella, Parmesan, ricotta, garlic, and spinach). Maybe their best is the "Bronx Special," an assortment of pepperoni, sausage onions, olives, mushrooms, pepper and garlic, said to fell New Yorkers quicker'n one of James's right uppercuts. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

Paul's Place 3671 Mission Avenue (at El Camino Real), Oceanside, 760-721-0124. This restaurant looks like a McDonald's or Wendy's (the building used to be a franchise) and the food comes fast, but it's no chain. The menu strikes a balance between American and Greek fare. The baked Greek half-chicken, the spiced grilled chicken sliced up on a salad with pita bread, and the gy-ros (all at earthy prices) mix with all-American three-egg breakfast specials with home fries. Lunch offers include meaty hamburgers, gyros with fries, or a surprisingly tasty turkeyburger. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

Teriyaki 101 250 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-632-8813. This surfer hangout has a secret: Behind a gate just south of the restaurant there's a sheltered outdoor dining patio decorated by a tropical mural of island life above and below the water. "Eat Healthy, Feel Good" is the motto on the menu, and teriyaki is the dish that dominates it. But this is Hawaijan teriyaki, with lighter, cleaner flavors than the Japanese version. The dark-meat "Maui chicken" skewer and the moist ono (pink snapper) kebab are especially succulent; you can also opt for pork, veggies, numerous combos, and charbroiled burgers (of beef, fowl, or veggies). Everything comes with rice (white or brown), pleasingly touched with teriyaki sauce. Open Tuesday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (10/01)

Tip Top Meats 6118 Paseo Del Norte, Carlsbad, 760-438-2620. This geranium-splashed blue-and-white Bavarian chalet is more than a butcher's shop. It's a combination butcher-deli-diner. Enter through the bulging deli and listen for



the shouts and clatter of serving ladies. Look for the "Es ist Wunderbar!" sign over the counter. Try German and American dishes like Big John's all-youcan-eat bacon, pork-link sausage, bratwurst, or ham breakfast with three eggs, home fries, and toast. Or the sausage plate: bratwurst, knackwurst, and smoked Polish with German potato salad and traditional stuffed cabbage. Owner Big John is a heavyweight Olympic boxer from the former East Germany with an MA in meat sciences. Generous portions abound. Weekends after 4 p.m., he roasts his famous prime rib dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

The Village Grill 2833 State Street (at Carlsbad Village Drive), Carlsbad, 760-729-3601. This little café is famous for two things: its vintage Coca-Cola dec-orations and its delicious Tommyburgers, named after the guy who opened this place back in 1976. Tommy believed in fresh ingredients, says son Dale, now in charge, who orders only "extra lean" meat from the local butcher for his burgers. For breakfast, check out the eggs and sausage-patty special with fried-skin potatoes and hot-buttered toast. And if you surf, bring your board — the beach is just across the tracks. Breakfast and lunch Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

150 Grand Cafe 150 West Grand Avenue (between Broadway and Maple), Escondido, 760-738-6868. Chef Carlton Greenawalt cooks up a seasonal American-Mediterranean menu with a few touches of Asian-fusion, using local and organic produce wherever possible. Among the pick hits: a clever almondcrusted manchego cheese appetizer, a definitive trout amandine, and interesting desserts, including a lovely lemontinged crème brûlée. Reservations advisable on weekends. Childrens' and vegetarian meals available on request. Street parking may be difficult; leave time to hunt. Dining rooms often noisy. Live music (mainly jazz) most Thursdays through Saturdays after dinner hours in Back Room Lounge, Moderate prix fixe

dinners weeknights; slightly expensive à

Bolsa Vietnamese Restaurant 9225 Mira Mesa Boulevard #118, 858-693-3663. "The name 'Bolsa' isn't Vietnamese," says Kim Trang. "It's Spanish for 'bag.'" She's playing on words here: Trang once owned *Pho Bolsa* on University Avenue, and every Viet-namese knows *pho bo* is Vietnam's most popular quick meal, a beef rice noodle soup. At this location, Trang still makes excellent *pho bo*, but she has 122 other items as well, including fried catfish with ginger fish sauce, healthy (non-fried) Vietnamese spring rolls, or egg rolls with lettuce and mint in which to wrap them (sprinkled with *nuoc mam*, Vietnamese fish sauce). We're talking family-style cooking. Come once and Trang will remember you and everything you ate even if it was just pho bo. Inexpensive. — E.B. (2/03)

Delicias 6106 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-8000. The room is smashing and the menu offers excellent pastas, fresh fish, first-rate meat and chicken, gourmet pizzas. Open for dinner nightly. Expensive. — *E.W.*

Golden Egg Omelet House 316 West Mission Avenue (at Escondido Boulevard), Escondido, 760-489-6420.

This breakfast-lunch treasure-house is vast but cute, its brick walls and open beams festooned with knickknacks (all for sale). This is the place on Sunday mornings, when three generations bond over great, generous breakfasts. Omelets are perfect — light, thin crêpe-like eggs wrapped around tall mounds of elaborate fillings. Thick waffles can be topped with fresh seasonal fruit. And then there are eggs, hash, crêpes, humongous burgers, and sandwiches. The potato casseroles, with a choice of a dozen fillings, are as huge in flavor as they are in size. Whatever you choose will carry you through until dinner. No reservations, so expect a wait on weekends. In back of a mall. Easiest entry from Mission is at SDGE driveway; do not pass McDonald's. Good handicap access, sturdy high-chairs, lowsalt cooking. Open daily, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/03)

Madras Cafe 9484 Black Mountain Road, Mira Mesa, 858-695-6229. In the same strip mall as Ashoka the Great, this family-friendly café features the savory vegetarian cuisine of South India. It's distinctly different from the standard North Indian menus, centering on numerous varieties of stuffed pancakes from thin, crisp (and irresistible) crêpe-like dosais stuffed with vegetable curry to lacy rice-flour aapams drenched in

coconut milk to hefty, frittata-like uttapams. (Try the latter with the delicious, not-too-spicy chile-onion stuffing.) Puffy *poori* bread and tamarind rice are spectacular. Order your dishes in the sequence you hope to eat them — that's usually how they come out of the kitchen. And don't expect hovering "Raj" - style service — it's just not the Tamil way. Seasoning is generally mild, to accommodate kiddies; spicy sauces are on the table. No alcohol. Open Tues-day through Sunday with buffet lunches and à la carte dinners. Inexpensive. —

Meiki Japanese Restaurant And **Sushi Bar** 9823 Carroll Canyon Road, Eucalyptus Square, Scripps Ranch, 858-566-0206. You'll find a first-rate sushi bar tucked away in this tiny shopping center. The fresh yellowtail, scallops in spicy sauce (*hotategai*), or the special order of baked salmon roll are all wonderful. Fifty-three items appear on the sushi list, all prepared by a master chef. The cooked combination plates are also fine. If you sit at the sushi bar, you may be disappointed because chairs, not stools, are used and you can't watch the chef. If you're in the area, don't miss this one. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner; Sunday, dinner only, Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

Onami Japanese Restaurant 240 Faire, Escondido, 760-738-7522 160-foot Japanese seafood buffet, hot Japanese dishes, salads, desserts, all you can eat. Tons of fresh food. Seats 250. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Expensive. — *E.W.*

GOLD COAST

Epazote Southwest Restaurant 5 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar Plaza Del Mar, 858-259-9966. Patrons frequently call this establishment the New

York Stock Exchange because of its high energy, young crowd, and exciting atmosphere. Good dishes include southwestern-style tapas and spitroasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

Hide Away Cafe 150 South Acacia Avenue, Solana Beach, 858-755-3388. The Hide Away is the classic forties California beach café. You have to look carefully down the tiny tree-shaded street to spot their big blue-and-yellow sign. It's a homey little place, with a and a green mantle of gnarly old ivy.

The sidewalk is under reconstruction right now, so it's doubly hidden away — you'll have to reach it through the back side. Flap through the swing doors. Inhale the good smells from the kitchen. Sit down at one of the intimate tables. Order the jalapeño and grilled red onion omelet with avocado and Jack cheese. Or the delicious "Kaleido scope": scrambled eggs, cheese, bell peppers, onions, and home fries. Fin-ish up with a slice of homemade pumpkin-nut bread. Breakfast and lunch only, open daily to 2 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Nobu Japanese Restaurant 315 South Coast Highway 101, Solana Beach, 858-755-7787. The menu at this gourmet Japanese restaurant offers 100 sushi items, 20 stunning and unique appetizers, and a long list of entrées. Two dining rooms are avail-able; the livelier is at the sushi bar. Especially on the weekends, arrive early to avoid waiting for a table. Reservations advised for dining room, not accepted for sushi bar. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.*

Tony's Jacal 621 Valley Avenue (between Genevieve Street and Juanita Street), Eden Gardens, Solana Beach, 858-755-2274. Come here at night when the mysterious low mud-brick









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arches with the stained glass windows make you think Old Mexico, when the Del Mar racing bar makes you think 1930s Hollywood, and the dining patio, under the 100-year-old chinaberry tree, looks straight out of Guadalajara. Back in 1946, Tony Gonzales's wife Catalina started preparing food for fellow Mexican workers. Since then, everybody from Liz Taylor to J. Edgar Hoover has passed through these portals. Try the "La Colonia" combination of just about anything with rice and beans. Turkey meat is big here, and the (real) crab quesadilla in a corn tortilla is delicious too. Cheapest: probably chicken strips with French fries. And "Jacal"? It means "shack." Open seven days, but with a gap between lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

LA JOLLA

The Cheese Shop 2165 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla, 858-459-3921. Used to be the Cheese Shop had 100 varieties of cheese from all over. No more. "The cheese trade is dead," says owner Phil Schutz. They still have all-cheese sandwiches with mixes of provolone, Monterey Jack, Cheddar, Swiss, Muenster, Danish Havarti, or Norwegian Jarlsberg. But today this small, busy café is more famous for its "overstuffed" meat sandwiches. The leg of lamb, top round beef, and roast pork loin are all spit-roasted right beside you as you walk in, to waken your taste buds. Cheeses like crumbled Greek Mizithra add tang to the taste. If you're into salami and ham, try the footlong. Free peanuts while you wait. Inexpensive. Other location: 627 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-232-2303, open daily breakfast to late lunch, with delivery to downtown addresses. — E.B. (10/01)

Daily's Renaissance Towne Centre, 8915 Towne Centre Drive, La Jolla, 858-453-1112. The restaurant is owned by a doctor who has devised a menu that's low-fat, low-calorie, low-sodium. The dishes look and taste wonderful. All items available for takeout. Lunch and dinner (same menu) daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

French Pastry Shop 5550 La Jolla Boulevard (at Forward Street), La Jolla, 858-454-9094. A longstanding fixture of the Bird Rock area, this bakery/restaurant includes both a simple, spacious dining room and a shaded patio (reputedly San Diego's first dining patio). Breakfast — a highlight of the menu — is served until 4 p.m. The whisper-thin crèpes with luscious stuffings speak in a Gallic accent. Other possibilities include omelets, eggs Benedict variations, and fine-quality brioches and croissants. Pastries are moist, fairly light, and very sweet. Dinner entrées focus on updated French classics, e.g., duck breast a' l'orange, with "early bird" bargains. Open daily for breakfast through early dinner. — N.W. (5/02)

George's At The Cove 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-4244. The always-excellent George's, with its first-rate fish and meat menu, boasts three dining levels on its ocean-view site. The first level is the fine dining room, with full menu and gourmet lunch and dinners. Above is the Café, and on top is the Terrace, which is romantic on balmy nights. The Café and Terrace offer identical menus: light meals for lunch, extensive menu for dinner. The Ocean View Room offers high-quality California regional cuisine, with higher prices. Food is well prepared and their famous roasted chicken, bean, and broccoli soup is still on the menu. Incomparable service. Call for exact hours. Expensive, George's gourmet room; moderate to expensive, other rooms. — E.W. (9/99)

Harry's Coffee Shop 7545 Girard Avenue (at Pearl), La Jolla, 858-454-7381. When Harry Rudolph II opened Harry's back in 1960, his idea was simple: to create a down-home eatery and soda fountain where all La Jolla — rich, poor, Brahmins, and gardeners) — could mix and meet with plenty of good eats. Everyone from Joan Kroc to Junior Seau to Brooke Shields has been spotted here, along with regular folks who've been coming in for three decades. Now Harry III reigns quietly among a dozen whirling dervish waitnesses at lunch, while his dad still works the breakfast shift. The big hamsteak and eggs is a favorite breakfast, as is the simple, rich "Hot Creamy Oatmeal" with strawberries. Pecan pancakes and thin, crisp waffles ring true to many Easterners (though Harry offers thick Belgianstyle waffles, too), and for lunch, turkey burgers and the bacon-loaded British Burger are popular. At the counter, the banter between been-here-forever waitnesses and customers sounds like family life. Nice sidewalk patio, too. Long lines on weekends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (2/03)

The Pannikin Cafe 7467 Girard Avenue (at Pearl), La Jolla, 858-454-5453. Oh sure, the inside of this converted bungalow is cool, with its woody-green tables of different heights and cool damsels with animal temp-tattoos on their arms serving you. But here at Pannikin's La Jolla outpost, the outside's the

"in" spot, with its brick and earth tones and weathered timber and sixties rainbow tables. But you have to make it through the laptop-clacking, cell phone-blabbing crowd who use this as their garden office and Very Important Meeting spot. Musicians, grad students, and school kids also show up to munch twigs and nuts and think serious thoughts. Breakfasts are mostly steamed-egg variations, including the popular Greek eggs and a filling breakfast burrito. For lunch, a mild chicken curry is a nutty treat, and "pannwiches" such as ham or tuna are fresh, generous, and worthy, though the retros among us will be looking for a salt lick all the way home. Inexpensive. — E.B. (2/03)

Sushi On The Rock 7734 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-1138. This noisy, high-energy spot — a boxy, saloon-like space with a sushi bar in back — draws a lively twenty-something crowd (although older folks will have plenty of company, too). Unlike more traditional sushi bars, there's a vast selection of "rock and rolls" — huge, creative futomaki party sushi. And they're fabulous,



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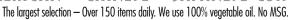


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Adam's Steak N' Eggs 1201 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley, 619-291-1103. Morning munchers take heart! Adam's has served nothing but breakfasts since 1966. The menu runs from healthy—hot oatmeal with raisins, dates, sunflower seeds, almonds, pineapple and coconut — to corn fritters to a Southern brunch of spicy sausage patties, biscuits, gravy, grits, and eggs, to spiced apple crepes with whipped cream and pecans. But the signature dish is steak and eggs. The steak's a high-walled chunk of meat almost as thick as it is round. Comes with two eggs, potatoes or grits, and toast or tortillas. You won't need lunch. This bricky, dark wood, clubby, business-convention-tourist kind of place has ver-ry faithful customers. But if you want to walk there, be ready for lack of sidewalks, one-way bus access, and wild morning traffic. Open daily. In expensive. — $E.B.\ (5/02)$

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China Inn 877 Hornblend Street (between Garnet and Grand), Pacific Beach, 858-483-6680. The enormous menu here offers Mandarin and Szechuan specialties including especially good sweetand-pungent shrimp, Mandarin pork rib, duck in orange sauce, and shrimp in garlic sauce. The setting is simple but the food is outstanding. If chef-owner Andy Kam is present, ask his advice about the day's best dishes. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Fairouz Cafe And Gallery 3166 Midway Drive, Loma Portal, 619-225-0308. Seek out this familyowned-and-operated restaurant for

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Karinya Thai & Vegetarian Cuisine 825 Garnet Avenue (SeaCoast Square), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. Think of the movie *The Beach*, with a bunch of Leo DiCaprio look-alikes get-ting off on the coconut curries like *gang* ped, panang, and kang kari. Or noodle dishes like the famous pad thai. But they're in the right place: Karinya remains true to its Thai origins. The ton yum kung (hot and sour shrimp soup) is a meal in itself. Steaming away with its fierce little charcoal fire at your table, the hot pot holds plenty of shrimp, and you can taste the essential mushrooms. lemon grass, ginger, lime juice, cilantro, and of course *nam pla*, Thai fish sauce. An ice counterpart to the hots of the soup are the Fresh Spring Rolls, filled with tofu and vegetables and mint. Another sizzler: *pad talay*, a sauté pan full of mussels, shrimp, squid, and other seafood in a great spicy sauce. The recipe's from Koh Samed, an island like the one featured in The Beach. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (2/03)

Ranchos Cocina 1830 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-226-7619; 4705 Point Loma Avenue, Ocean Beach, 619-224-9815. Also at 3910 30th Street (at University Avenue), North Park, 619-574-1288. At all locations of this delightful mini-chain, you'll find healthy, creative Mexican and vegetarian cuisine in cheerful, tropical-style settings bur-

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Rum Jungle Smoothies and Deli 4150 Mission Boulevard #153, Prome nade Mall, Pacific Beach, 858-273-2227 Why do Brazilians have more fun? *Açaí* (ah-saa-ee). Why do Brazilians settle in PB? Maybe it's because Rum Jungle Smoothies serves up açaí, the flesh of a Brazilian palm nut, for breakfast. The dark purple mush comes from the *açaí* palms that grow around the Amazon River delta. Rum Jungle adds granola, banana, strawberries, blueberries, mango pieces, and honey to make a surprisingly filling breakfast. Of course this bright lit tle place has lots of other smoothies, too, along with garden burgers and sand wiches. But the açaí power fruit bowl is what keeps them coming back. Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (1/04)

Sportsmen's Seafoods 1617 Quivira Road, Mission Beach, 619-224-3551. Fifty years ago this restaurant-fish market was a tuna cannery, part of San Diego's late-lamented fishing in-dustry. The same Sicilian family still owns it, and still knows everything about fish and how to cook it. The menu is devoted to the "fruits of the sea" and includes a wonderful seafood platter (shrimp, squid, clams, fish, fries, and

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Big Kitchen 3003 Grape Street (ben 30th Street and Fern Street), South Park, 619-234-5789. This isn't just a restaurant, it's the social center of the universe — and Judy "The Beauty" Forman is its queen. Blame her for the Fern Street Circus, for driving the Miss California beauty pageant out of town, and for disgustingly healthy dishes like Judy's Favorite (spinach, mushrooms, sherry, and eggs). Our favorite: the avocado, cream cheese, and chives omelet. Vegans' fave may be the "veggie option": sautéed spinach, mushrooms, onions, cilantro, brown rice, tofu, and roasted garlic. Her cooks make pretty much everything on the spot, including muffins, waffles, and pancakes. While you're waiting, they always have this "out there" eclectic crowd, plus walls filled with pictures and bon mots like "Will Be President For Food." Breakfast and lunch only; closes at 2 p.m. most days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

El Comal 2822 Imperial Avenue, Sherman Heights, 619-239-7101. No border compromises here — just great home-cooking from Michoacan, Guerrero, Jalisco, and Oaxaca, prepared by Luz Herrera Ibarra, a biology teacher from Acapulco. Try the huarache (cactus slices

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Normal Heights, 619-282-4116. Oh sure, Normal Heights, 619-282-4116. Oh sure, you'll be watching Sri Chinmoy, the Bengali guru, on TV juggling, declaring Geneva International Airport a "Peace Blossom," or boarding his Italian "Treno della Pace." Plus, his books, his portraits, his paintings, and his chant-songs sur round you. Apart from that, not only is this heavenly blue-domed restaurant run by his students peaceful, but the fresher than-fresh Bengali-tinged health food is delicious. Their chutney-topped "Neatloaf" bursts with nutty, intriguing flavors. Even the accompanying mashed potato and gravy tastes different. Also delish: Brahma Burrito, "Infinite Blue (interesting brown rice salad with bleu cheese dressing), and the Shiva Wrap (tofu and fresh veggies with a well-inte-grated curry flavor). On cold days, start with a steaming sweet pea soup. Monday through Saturday lunch and dinner, Sunday brunch only. Inexpensive. E.B. (10/01)

Mama's Bakery And Lebanese Deli 4237 Alabama Street, North Park, 619-688-0717. This informal little restaurant is more interested in quality than presentation, concentrating on the specialties they do well. Mama's offers quick meals with a culinary tradition, definitely not "fast food," but with fast food prices and ease. Recommendations include the deliciously cheap falafel sandwich in Mama's fresh-made saii, (soft flatbread). On cool days warm up to a bowl of *fool mudamas*, or slowcooked beans (tasty fava and garbanzos). Try also spinach pie, *labneh* (creamy

cheese, olive oil, and pita), and baba ghanoush (smoky pureed eggplant and hummus). Inexpensive. — M.N. (1/99)

Vesuvio Gourmet 3025 El Cajon Boulevard (at 30th), North Park, 619-282-7040. Wonderful Southern and regional Italian food is served here. The interior is gorgeous, the service swift, and the servings huge and tempting. Open nightly for dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W.

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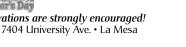
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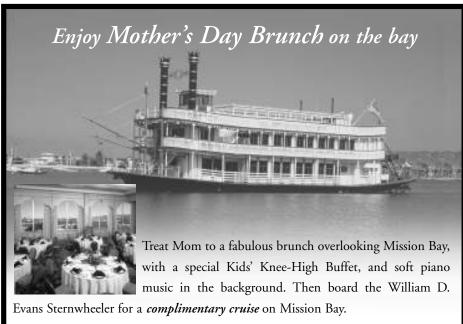
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Tvler's Taste Of Texas 576 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-444-9295. Unfussy home cooking. Some dishes outshine others. The slab of smoky ham steak that comes with the first-rate breakfast is in itself enough to rouse the sleepiest appetite. Expertly sautéed onions and mushrooms lend flavor to fried potatoes and omelets, respectively, while pebbly-smooth hash and gingery sweet potato pancakes give the lineup character. For lunch and dinner, the Texas menu features Texas-style barbecue (chicken, beef, pork, and sausage) that's sufficiently smoky, but a little un-even in texture. BBQ beef is reliable and the sweetish sauce shows well on the chicken. Pleasant surprises: a substantial, peppery cornmeal crust on the ten-der catfish and the fried green tomatoes, and the rich stock in the vegetable soup. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive to low moderate. — A.M. (2/02)

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Pablito's of the Desert 590 Palm Canyon Drive (in The Center, #8), Borrego Springs, 760-767-3311. Pablito's claims "Authentic Mexican Cuisine, patio dining, and great tequila margaritas." Well, the gorgeous patio is open only during busy times and the cuisine runs to gringo favorites in the Mexican mode (lots of combo platters), but the flavors are honest and pleasing. The most authentic dishes come from the "Specialties" section of the menu, including a good chile verde (pork in green chile sauce), numerous varieties of enchiladas, and several flavors of chilaquiles. Full bar, including sangria, margaritas, Mexican beers. Open daily, lunch and dinner (with break between). Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/03)

Ramon's Smokehouse BBQ 1730 Alpine Boulevard, Suite 110, Alpine, 619-445-1008. The smell of mesquite wood burning under fresh-cut beef rib is beyond resistance. The secret Texas recipe draws crowds. Go Sunday morning, especially, when chefs in maroon aprons dance around the fat-spitting fire, disappearing into the clouds of fragrant smoke to flip the racks of beef and pork ribs. In good weather you can eat out back next to an authentic chuck wagon. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)



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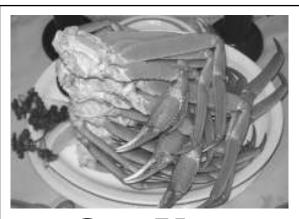
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UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Bertrand at Mister A's 2550 Fifth e (at Laurel), 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377. Bertrand Hug's airy, open renovation of this formerly "an cient regime" eatery offers a fabled panoramic city view with a casual-chic, highly romantic ambience. Chef Stephane Voitzwinkler's modern French cuisine is a fine fit for the setting, including bistro classics and fresh inventions emphasizing top-grade seasonal ingredi ents. A huge, intelligent wine list covers a full range of prices, ages and origins, including "ripe" first-growth Bordeaux. Smoking and fair-weather dining on wraparound terrace/observation deck. Note: parking entrance on Fourth Avenue; wheelchair access via ramp to left of reception desk. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Expensive. — N.W. (1/04)

Celadon Royalty Thai Restaurant 540 University Avenue (near Sixth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-297-8424. The chef has cooked for the Siamese royal family, but more importantly, she hasn't made too many compromises in the cuisine taste luxurious, and all the dishes taste authentic — and very carefully prepared. The regular entrées offer a choice of sauces (red curry, green curry, etc.) with your choice of protein, but go straight to the "Chef's Specialty" items on the menu to find the best and rarest dishes. Stuffed chicken wings are extraordinary, seafood soup talay is fabulous, and among the entrées, don't miss *choo chee* duck or the Queen of Thailand's favorite, Pineapple Fried Rice. — N.W. (5/02)

City Delicatessen 535 University Avenue (at Sixth), Hillcrest, 619-295-2747. Some folk come for the Jewish food (chicken-in-the-pot, brisket of beef, chopped liver), others to soak in the art-deco colors — the cornucopia of fruit above the entrance, the mustard vellow walls, the black-and-white checker tile, or the flower bunches of red, blue, green, and yellow lamps. And then some come for both: the stuffed cabbage roll (with ground beef and rice inside) is a glowering red ball with maroon, oniony, sweet-and-sour raisin sauce to

die for, set off by green parsley and bright orange slices. Scandalously delicious. Downside? Our pastrami sandwich tasted dry and chewy by comparison. But City Deli is less strictly Jewish (they have bacon on their breakfast menu) and more of an everyday New York-style eatery. Wait staff are good-humored, and the Seeburg Wall-o-Matic tableside jukeboxes actually work. Bring plenty of quarters. Breakfast all day; early-bird dinner specials; late-night dining. Open from 7 a.m. till midnight; until 2 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/03)

Gulf Coast Grill 4130 Park Boulevard (between University and El Cajon), Hill-crest, 619-295-2244. The Gulf's faux-rustic, woodsy dining rooms and patio are great hangouts if you like a restaurant with a noisy party atmosphere. The menu focuses on the cuisine of the South and Southwest, with an emphasis on Louisiana and a heavy hand on the salt shaker. The kitchen does best with the straight Southern dishes, turning out divine fried soft-shelled crabs, airy hush puppies, and delicious little corn muffins. If you're deeply familiar with Cajun-Creole flavors, though, don't look for pure authenticity — you'll do better with jambalaya, étouffée, or the lunchtime oyster po' boy than with the

soulless gumbo or the misconceived red beans and rice. Heated, smoker-friendly front patio. Wheelchair elevator to rest rooms next to stairs. Free parking lot left of the door. Full bar. Lunch Monday through Saturday, brunch Sunday, dinner nightly (early closing Sunday). Moderate to slightly expensive. -N.W. (4/03)

Ichiban 1449 University Avenue (at Normal), Hillcrest, 619-299-7203. Is this Paris or Tokyo? At night, the café outside glows like a Van Gogh painting, except the customers are eating sushi and drinking green tea, not red wine. The best values are at lunch, with weekday specials like Bento combos (sushi rolls, crab, salmon, rice) and filling soups overflowing with veggies and thick *udon* noodles. Healthy? You betcha. The miso soup (with every dish) made from soy and seaweed is a great daily iodine fix. Number One — that's what "ichi-ban" means. Open daily until 9 p.m., lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Jack and Giulio's Italian Restaurant 2391 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-294-2074. This long-running, old-fashioned Italian favorite (formerly Giulio's in Pacific Beach) is a lowcost family restaurant with fresh, casual fare. The best bets are angel hair pasta, minestrone soup, and their famous scampi. Outdoor patio is a plus. Open daily, lunch and dinner; continuous service on weekends. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W.

Kemo Sabe 3958 Fifth Avenue (off University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-220-6802. Audacity is Chef Deborah Scott's culinary signature. In her cooking, Southeast Asia meets the Southwest, with Japanese touches and towering heaps of garnishes. All the edible froufrou decorating the appetizers can wear you out, but most entrées are more focused and friendly. Good choices include a starter of mussels in a seductive *chilpo* tle cream sauce, and entrées of spicy, sweet-sour layered "jerk" chicken or the signature "Skirts On Fire," a miraculously tender grilled skirt steak imbued with a *picante* marinade. Desserts by Sharon Bristol follow the housestyle sky-high, ornate, complex. Casual atmosphere, very noisy. Heated patio Reservations strongly advised. Prices moderate. — *N.W.* (11/00)

La Posta de Acapulco's Taco Shop 3980 Third Avenue (at Washington), Hillcrest, 619-295-8982. (Also in Lakeside and Spring Valley.) People have been coming to this orange-and-white drive-through-without-cars for 20 years. One of the main reasons is the carne asada burritos. Rich-tasting, fresh, generous. Folks sit around the outside benches right next to Washington Street oblivious to the traffic. Also much loved here are the *chile verde* and the quesadilla with carne asada. For breakfast, think chorizo burrito. And for value, just to fill you up, you can't beat the bean tostada. You can drink *horchata*, a rice drink, or jamaica, made from hibiscus flower, to complete the picture. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/04)

Lotus Thai 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegetarian-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *satay*, beef salad) featuring a tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish accompanied by a garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though,

are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and too many dishes are oddly bland (even when they're spicy). The flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute. with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Mission Hills Cafe 808 W. Washington Street, Mission Hills, 619-296-8010. Belgian waffles are your natural intro here. Why? Because François, the owner, is Belgian. The man knows waffles. But the thing is how cheap this is for a sophisticated eatery, with its linen tablecloths, waiters in long aprons, and bread baskets. (The bread's incredible. It'll fill you before you spend a dime.) Dishes like Thai chicken or shrimp salad over shredded jicama, cucumber, and carrots are usually rich folks' territory. Ditto the "Pear Cambo-zola" salad, with strawberries, pecans, and a Camembert/Gorgonzola-style cheese, or "François's Famous Vegetar-ian Lasagna." And check out François's art on the wall — he always cooks one part in his oven, like the baked bread horses stuck on his piece called "Sea Biscuits." Daily, three meals. Inexpensive by day; more expensive at night, but reasonable. — E.B. (9/03)

DOWNTOWN

Bay Cafe 1050 North Harbor Drive, town, 619-595-1083. If you're hungry at the city ferry landing, you can eat in the bare-bones interior or take your tray upstairs to a handsome bayview terrace (with no wheelchair access). After a chilly crossing, try the enjoyable New England-style clam chowder, which is milky, clean, and not over-thickened, with tender clams and tiny diced potatoes. The menu features breakfast dishes, burgers, sandwiches, variations on fish and chips including prawns, and chili dogs (all served with generic fries), plus some entrée salads. The burgers are genuinely "have it your way" - for a few extra cents each, the







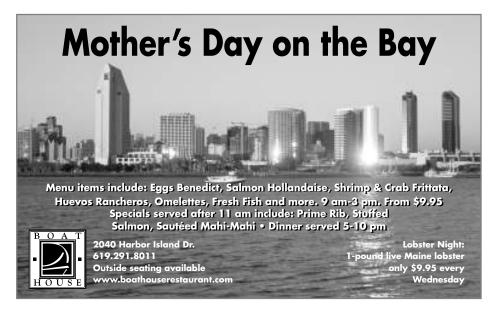














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Chive 558 Fourth Avenue (near Island Street), Gaslamp, 619-232-4483. Eating's an adventure at this coolly minimalist urban bistro where chef A.J. Voytko does his magic with a seasonally changing menu of inventive "modern cuisine." Dishes alternate between high-risk global fusion and stringently simple combinations that place outstanding ingredients (including free-range chicken and veal) at center stage, accompanied by a revelatory repertory of exotic vegetables. The worldwide wine list offers over 50 choices by the glass. Reserve for weekend dinners, when a chic young crowd pours in. Full bar. No cell phone use inside. Dinner nightly, with weekend service to 11:30 p.m. Expensive. — N.W. (9/02)

DeMedici 815 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-7228. This lovely, cream-andsepia dining room evokes an Italian Re-naissance villa, while its sidewalk patio offers a prime pageant of Gaslamp fol-lies. Either way, you'll enjoy exceptional service — attentive but utterly unobtrusive — and a menu centered on succulent pastas and refined seafood dishes. The nightly specials and the waiter's recommendations for the freshest catch will lead you to the evening's best entrées. Fish dishes are exquisite, and anything with calamari (fresh local catch) is worth ordering; Atlantic shellfish, though, tend to be a tad overcooked. Reserve, and dress on the spiffier side — some Hollywood celebs hang their Borsalinos here, upping the clothing curve. Dinner 5 p.m.to 10:30 p.m. weekdays, 5 p.m. to midnight weekends. Moderate-priced valet parking available. Moderate (simpler pastas) to very expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

Dublin Square 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-239-5818. The entire pub was hand-crafted in Waterford, shipped over, and installed (by Irish craftsmen) in the Gaslamp. The exterior indeed resembles a real (but very new) Dublin pub; the interior has authentically dim lighting and spirited Irish music including live bands (acoustic but loud) during Happy Hours and some evenings. If you're looking for food, too, there's a shockingly fine corned beef and cabbage, resembling the corned beef and cabbage, resembling the corned beef of Katz's Delion the Lower East Side — it's that wee touch o' the garlic that does the trick. Other choices include Guinness beef stew, shepherd's pie (made with ground beef), chicken pot pie, steaks, lamb chops, fish and chips, and grilled fish, plus standard pub grub. Lunch and dinner (including Irish breakfast any time) daily. Moderate. — N.W. (3/02)

Grand Central Cafe YMCA, 500 West Broadway (at India Street), downtown, 619-234-2233. A nice Broadway surprise — who'd expect the "Y" to have terrific meals? But Grand Central tries hard. The breakfasts are big and filling, and the lunch chili with salad and chees toast is a tasty bargain. So is the veggie-burger with fries, coleslaw, soup, or salad. Plus you can look down onto Broadway and check when your boss is returning to work. Breakfast and lunch weekdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Kansas City Barbecue 610 West Market Street (at Harbor Drive), downtown, 619-231-9680. Scrumptious smells waft across the tracks at the Seaport Village trolley stop — barbecued pork and beef. And yeah, this is the joint where Tom Cruise and Kelly McGillis did their "sleazy bar scene" in *Top Gun*. And it *is* kinda sleazy, especially in the shadowy horseshoe bar, with memorabilia like hanging bras, Czech license plates, and stickers ("Grow Your Own Dope: Plant A Man"). The beef and pork ribs (or rib tips or chicken breast) are worth it. They're cooked over an oak-fueled fire. Nice long Happy Hour (3:30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m., at bar only) has great food/grub deals. Open daily, lunch until late, serving until 1 a.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (3/01)

The Latin Room 560 Fourth Avenue (at Market), Gaslamp, 619-237-7800. This austere, concrete-floored space is mainly a tequila bar, offering at least 120 brands to sample and tasty Mexican cocktails made from scratch. But you can also get a reasonably interesting Mexican meal from a menu that's considerably more ambitious than the neighborhood's regular border-Mex yawns. It offers excellent tortilla soup, decent ceviche, and filet mignon strewn with cuitlacoche (a.k.a. "corn mushrooms," a





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mild and juicy black fungal delicacy), with recipes imported here by a chef who used to cook at Tijuana's revered Cien Años restaurant. A couple can easily make a meal of a few shared appetizers. At 10 p.m. weekends, the place goes disco, with cover charge (IDs checked). Open nightly for dinner, appetizer menu until 2 a.m. on weekends. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (1/04)

Morton's Of Chicago 285 J Street (between Second and Third), Gaslamp, 619-696-3369. This famous Chicago steakhouse is swanky, in a manly way: dark, clubby, luxurious, and louche. You go to Morton's for great steak. Their Nebraska beef is aged and meticulously grilled to your specifications. You can get a one-and-a-half or three-pound porterhouse, which will be juicy, marbled with flavorful fat. You can also get good fish at Morton's. The big, golden salmon fillet flakes to the fork and is moist, sweet, buttery. The pricey à la carte sides are either bad or mediocre. The Godiva Hot Chocolate Cake is exceptional. But go for the steak. Expensive. — M.N. (9/99)

Nagi's Bar and Grill 501 West Broadway, downtown, 619-233-5933. Nagi Sekla comes from Egypt, via Paris. Before he took over the lease at the staid Koll Center's bar-eatery, he insisted on creating a sidewalk patio slap-dab on Broadway. His lease is our gain. For the first time you can eat, drink, and be merry right on this main drag. And there's nothing like scarfing lunch while you watch lawyers, tourists, and office workers hustle by in the morning sun. Lunch or dinner, start off with his homemade soups, but the must-eat is his Spicy Santa Fe Chicken Salad — the magic's in the cranberries and Gorgonzola. Also great: BBQ chicken pizza. Lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/03)

Rainwater's on Kettner 1202 Kettner Boulevard (at B Street), Little Italy, 619-233-5757, You could order the fish, he chicken, or even the lamb, but odds are you're here because you want steak, prepared by people who respect your enthusiasm and offer prime beef in multiple cuts. And you're here because Rainwater's is venerable and local. You can dine old-style and enjoy it — warm cornbread fingers, a fine loose-packed crab cake, a crisp, watery wedge of iceberg lettuce under a blue cheese blanket. As for the beef, New York strip takes the day. You actually have to chew it — it ain't filet — but every chomp gives up scads of flavor. Order a side of greaseless, firm-bodied onion rings and wash it down with something from the exhaustive (and expensive) wine list. Lunch Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m.; dinner daily. Very expensive. — A.M. (6/03)

St. Tropez Bakery and Bistro 926 Broadway Circle (at Second and Broadway), downtown, 619-696-8695. (Also in Encinitas; see North Coastal listings.) Bright is the word. Bright yellow-andblue murals of St. Tropez's life and bright sidewalk seating outside. A true sidewalk café. Sitting on the sidewalk here is almost as nice as Nice. Plus, you can eat, drink, or just nurse a coffee for hours. No pressure. But then you'd miss the delish croque monsieur (toasted creamy saucetopped cheese sandwich, French-style) or croque madame (same plus fried egg) or salade niçoise. It's a bakery too, so the morning croissants are to die for. Mustries: the "Marseille" (ratatouille on roasted bread) and the salmon salad. Breakfast, lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/03)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

Crown Room Hotel Del Coronado, 1500 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6611. Let's face it, this is one of the grandest entrances you'll make anywhere, into the enormous, gloomy, vaulted timber dining room where presidents, princes and Marilyn Monroe have chowed down. It's only open for Sunday brunch these days. The gigantic eat-till-you're-beat buffet feast ranges from made-as-you-watch omelets to salmon, crab legs, prime rib, dizzying desserts, and even long-stemmed strawberries you hand-dip in chocolate. The downside? Monroe was here to shoot Some Like It Hot, but (apart from the chocolate) most food ain't. It's either cold (like the croissants, though the chocolate chunk ones are delicious) or luke-warm (like prime rib and eggs Benedict—and those eggs could do with a lot more Benedict). But this is an Ed-

What the Chef Eats

GNOCCHI

BY SILVANO RENTERIA

Chef, Grappa, San Marcos

Everybody thinks that gnocchi are hard to make. A lot of people think there is a certain mystique to making them, so I decided to show them that it is really not that difficult. You just have to put some time and effort into it.

The trick is that a lot of people don't use egg. They just think it's flour and potatoes. You need a binder, something to hold it all together such as an egg or maybe some cream. I use egg so it doesn't fall apart when you cook it.

I worked with some

Italian chefs, especially from the northern region, and they are the ones who taught me this recipe. This is the one I keep. If it's not broken, why fix it?

The good thing about the recipe is that it's not fancy. It's really simple. What I'm trying to do with the gnocchi is that I'm not trying to accentuate the flavor of the gnocchi. I'm trying to make the gnocchi so that it adapts to any sauce flavor that you are adding to it. This goes well with any sauce.

Here we offer it with

the choice of marinara sauce or a four-cheese sauce. It has Gorgonzola cheese, a little bit of cream, Parmesan, mozzarella cheese, and provolone. The combination of those four cheeses — personally, I love it. I get favorable comments on it, and people usually come back

I would definitely serve a white wine with this dish. I recommend Prosecco Tranquillo; however, any white wine goes well with it. If you change the sauce to



Bolognese, I like to serve an Italian wine called Montepulciano — a nice burgundy.

HOW TO DO IT

Gnocchi: Place the whole potatoes in a saucepan with water and bring to a boil. Cook at low boil until potatoes are soft, about 45 minutes. While still warm, peel the potatoes and pass

wardian-scale social occasion — see and be seen. The food isn't great, but the atmosphere is grand. Sundays, 9 a.m to 2 p.m. Expensive. — *E.B.* (9/03)

Island Pasta 1202 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-4545. This unassuming, spill-out-on-the-street restaurant somehow got it right. Simple tables on the sidewalk, daily made-on-the-premises semolina pasta, most dishes costing in the single digits. A simple fettuccine Alfredo is a pleasure al frescowith a glass of wine, sparkling against the fresh flowers on the table, watching Coronado's world go by. One good—and vegetarian—special to ask for is the verdure pasta, a combo of artichoke

hearts, spinach, capers, mushrooms, onions, and olives over spaghettini. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

Lydia's Cafe and Nightclub 1628 Palm Avenue, San Diego, 619-429-3603. This easygoing dancing/eatery has a faithful following that goes back to 1957. But before you dance, eat! Check out the birria en su jugo (goat in its juices) with beans, rice, and tortillas, or enjoy filling snacks like taquitos, cucaracha (a corn tortilla stuffed with ham, cheese, and sour cream), or the snack Lydia says she invented: botanas (beans, pork, and melted cheese over corn chips). Open from early breakfast to early dinner Sunday through

Wednesday, until midnight Thursday and Friday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

McP's Irish Pub & Grill 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5280. With a crowd ranging from Navy retirees to chic singles barely of drinking age, the perpetual party on McP's' patio is nurtured by above-average Irish-Mexican-American pub grub (burgers, potato skins, nachos, etc.). The Irish fare includes a pleasing Mulligan stew served in a hollowed bread-loaf, and an absolutely fabulous corned beef and cabbage plate, with tender, thick slices surrounding cabbage so young and sweet it ought to be carded. Good soups, too. Daytimes, try the hearty (and then some) Irish

meat-fest breakfast. Open daily, standard pub hours. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (4/01)

Primavera 932 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-0454. This standout in Coronado's culinary scene offers courtly charm and an impressive menu. Try their saffron risotto, clams bordelaise, or the delicious ossobuco, of which every detail is accomplished, admirable. For dessert, have one of their excellent espressos and the tiramisu or lemon ricotta cake. Primavera's accomplished staff takes unpretentious pride in their kitchen, the food and wine they serve, and rightfully so. Open daily. Expensive. — M.N. (11/98)











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them through a food mill. (Note: If you don't have a food mill, use a potato ricer or push through a medium-mesh sieve.)

Place the potatoes on a clean work surface and make a well in the center. (It should resemble a volcano.)

Place the egg, salt, and nutmeg in the center of the well and sprinkle on the flour, gradually stirring it in with a fork. Once the egg is mixed in, bring the dough together, kneading gently until a ball is

formed. Dough should be dry to the touch.

Divide the dough into six smaller balls. Roll each ball into a 3/4-inchdiameter rope and cut all the ropes into 1-inch-long pieces. Flick the pieces with the edge of a fork to score the sides.

Bring water to a full boil in a large pot. Add dough pieces and boil until they float to the surface, about one minute.

Four-cheese sauce: Heat butter in a skillet on medium heat and sauté the

shallot until translucent, about one minute. Add the cream and nutmeg and reduce for four to five minutes on low heat. The cream will thicken to look like alfredo sauce. Add all the cheese except for two ounces of Parmesan. Melt together and toss with the gnocchi. Plate the gnocchi and top with the remaining Parmesan. This recipe serves 12.

INGREDIENTS

Gnocchi:

3 pounds of potatoes

1 extra-large egg 1 teaspoon nutmeg 1 teaspoon salt 2 cups of all-purpose flour 6 quarts boiling water

Four-cheese sauce: 2 tablespoons butter 1/2 shallot, finely diced 1 pint heavy cream 1 teaspoon nutmeg 2 ounces Gorgonzola, crumbled 2 ounces provolone, chopped or

grated 2 ounces mozzarella, chopped or grated 4 ounces Parmesan, grated (divided in half)

pared meals that include appetizer, soup or salad, and entrée are available in this structure whose name means bell tower and whose exterior resembles a mission. Best bets here are filet steak on a skewer (brocheta de filete) baby back ribs (costillar de puerco), and leg of lamb (pierna de borrego). The ortions are mammoth and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service, de lightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

La Vuelta 8210 Avenida Revolución (above 11th), Tijuana, 685-7309. Bring your lover here and hide away in one of the cuddly carretitas - nooks. Even if traffic is ghastly at "the turn" ("la vuelta") where Revolución hooks left, you forget all that inside this vestige of Olde Tijuana, with balcony seating, resident mariachis, and food and drink all day and night. Dive into a *combinación* mexicana (chile relleno, taco, and enchilada) or carne asada served in an olla de barro, an earthenware pot from Guadalajara. Even the gringo-sounding filete mignon with mushroom sauce somehow comes out Mexican. Most Mexicans actually turn up about 1 a.m. after their own parties, to be serenaded by the excellent 10-piece mariachi band. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (6/03)

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Anthony's Fish Grotto For its fresh seafood salads, its fish and chips, and its daily fresh fish specials, Anthony's still goes to the head of the class for stability of product, good-sized portions, timehonored preparation, and low cost. Open daily, lunch through dinner. No reservations. Inexpensive to expensive. Locations: 1360 North Harbor Drive (at Ash Street), downtown, 619-232-5103; 215 West Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista, 619-425-4200; 9530 Murray Drive, La Mesa, 619-463-0368. — *E.W.*

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Jolla, 858-457-4222. Also at Beachwalk Plaza, 437 South Highway 101, Suite 601, Solana Beach, 858-793-0999; Carmel Mountain Plaza, 11602 Carmel Mountain Road, Carmel Mountain, 858-675-4424; and Fashion Valley Mall (second level), Suite 901, 7007 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-298-4708. Two Beverly Hills lawyers started this chain in 1985 to exploit "the premium pizza segment." Some 150 restaurants later, guess it worked. The place is all shiny chrome, glass, etched palm trees, golden wood and black furniture, and two pizza ovens with real logs burning inside. The Original BBO chicken pizza, the chain's first hit, is still their top seller. It has barbecue sauce, smoked Gouda and mozzarella cheeses. BBQ chicken, red onions, and cilantro The BBQ chicken chopped salad is good too, as is the jambalaya. If you've got a sweet tooth, but are embarrassed to order "Hawaiian" pizza, try the pear and Gorgonzola. It has caramelized pears, caramelized onions, Gorgonzola and other cheeses, and hazelnuts. At night, the Nobel Drive branch features a view of the shining Mormon cathedral. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (2/03) Joe's Crab Shack 7610 Hazard

Center Drive, Mission Valley, 619-260-1111; 4325 Ocean Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-3474; 525 E. Harbor Drive, Downtown, 619-233-7391; 314 Harbor Drive, South Oceanside, 760-722-1345. A seafood chain with a good Cajun corporate name (Landry's) based in southern Louisiana wouldn't survive without some pluses besides a Bourbon Street party atmosphere. Joe's is silly with crab-shack ambiance (campy nautical paraphernalia on down to souvenir gimme caps), but the food's not bad. One tasty starter is "crabioli," fried wonton stuffed with crab and melted cream cheese ("crab Rangoon" by another name, but smoother). You can choose buckets of steamed, barbecued, or garlic crab (of various subspecies), or go for fried or grilled seafood or steaks, or salads. Grownups may prefer the patio to the rockin', raucous interior. Full bar, not much wine. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W.* (5/01)

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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 coscreenwriter 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.

★★ (MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius -

Rowdy Herrington's biopic on the legendary golfer, portrayed by Jim Caviezel. (FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7: LA JOLLA 12: PALM PROMENADE 24: POWAY 10; VISTA VILLAGE)

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 vou do for an encore? (Well, after a spinoff 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.

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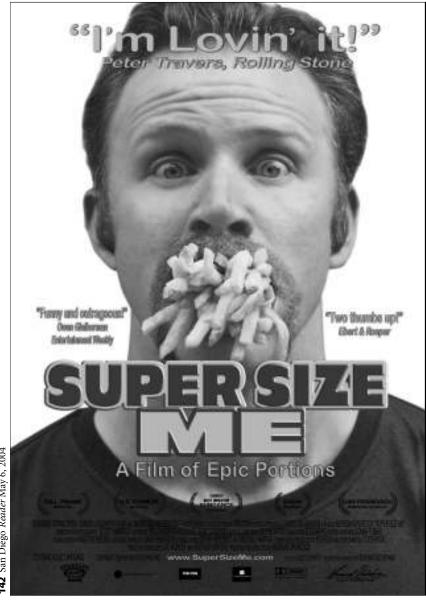
Dawn of the Dead — Shorter, straighterfaced, altogether squarer remake of the George Romero zombie bash. The "commentary" on American consumerism, or anyway the locality of a Middle American shopping mall, remains as pertinent today as in 1979, if scarcely as fresh. And the cannibalism now seems to pertain not so much to the society at large as to a depleted film industry overly dependent on bloodsucking 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 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. ● (GASLAMP 15)

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, THROUGH 5/6)

Don't Tempt Me — Agents of Heaven and Hell — Victoria Abril and Penelope Cruz, respectively - are sent to Earth to fight over the soul of a boxer. The plane of the action is mostly mundane (labor unrest, domestic tension), but the actresses supply much gusto (or to the viewer, mucho gusto), and



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the black-and-white photography of Heaven, if not quite heavenly, is at least authentically old-fashioned. With Demián Bichir, Fanny Ardant, Gael García Bernal; written and directed by Agustín Díaz Yanes. 2002.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 5/10, 6:30 P.M.)

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 preciosity 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. ● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24:

PARKWAY PLAZA 18: VISTA VILLAGE: VOGUE) **Envy** — Barry Levinson's comedy of a



Godsend

soured friendship, with Ben Stiller, Jack Black, and Rachel Weisz. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8:

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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) the

male, who belatedly changes his mind and

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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 sciencefictional 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 coldscience-versus-warm-humanity emerged there, too.) Gondry, a music-video and TVadvertising veteran, with a common weakness for the wacky and the tacky, has none of the refinement of Resnais, but that's no reason to condemn him out of hand. A popularized, a vulgarized version is preferable to none at all; it might even inspire the odd viewer or two to follow the trail back to the fountainhead. Jim Carrey, Kate Winslet, Kirsten Dunst, Mark Ruffalo, Tom Wilkinson, Elijah Wood. 2004. ★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

begins to struggle against the erasure in

operation, the flow of fragmentary memories, riddled with surrealistic

midstream. The old theme of cold-scienceversus-warm-humanity emerges. And inasmuch as the protagonist is asleep for the

dislocations and juxtapositions, takes on

aspects of cognitive dreaming as well as psychoanalytic free association. The French

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.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Godsend — Chiller starring Robert De Niro, Greg Kinnear, and Rebecca Romijn-Stamos, directed by Nick Hamm. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7: HORTON PLAZA 14: 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)

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. (FASHION VALLEY 18: GASLAMP 15: MIRA

MESA 18: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; VISTA

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 iqueror of *The Last Samurai*: a drunken



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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)

Home on the Range — Going-throughthe-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 and Cuba Gooding, Jr.; written and directed

hunters! Now I've seen everything." Voices of Roseanne Barr, Judi Dench, Jennifer Tilly, by Will Finn and John Sanford, 2004. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18;

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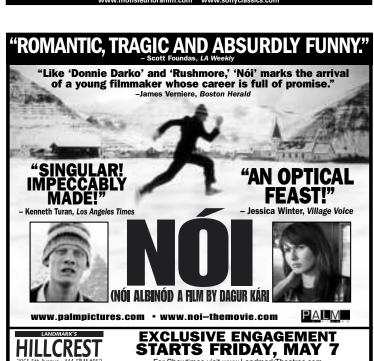
I'm Not Scared — Italian thriller told from a child's point of view, directed by Gabriele Salvatores (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Kill Bill, Vol. 2 — The rest of the story, with Uma Thurman, Michael Madsen, Darvl Hannah, and David Carradine, written and directed by Quentin Tarantino. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7: LA IOLLA 12: LA PALOMA FROM 5/7; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20 OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY

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The Ladykillers — The Coen brothers' first-ever "unoriginal" work: a remake of a mid-Fifties British caper comedy by the underappreciated Alexander Mackendrick In mitigation, the brothers throughout their careers have been so partial to the pastiche - the neo-noir Blood Simple, the imitation-Hammett Miller's Crossing, the imitation-Cain The Man Who Wasn't There, the alternately Capra-esque and Hawksian screwball comedies, The Hudsucker Proxy and $\mathit{Intolerable}$ $\mathit{Cruelty}$ — that an actual remake constitutes only a subtle difference

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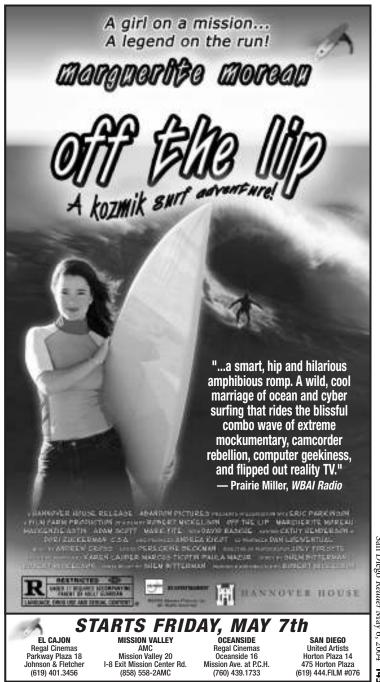
in degree. Then, too, their shared interests with the Ealing Studios original — an interest in the unravelling criminal scheme and an interest in human stupidity renders the Coens' appropriation of the material into an act of tribute rather than of plunder. With The Big Lebowski and Fargo in particular, 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 selfconscious 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, handlebarmustached 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.

★★★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Laws of Attraction — Pierce Brosnan and Julianne Moore play romantically involved divorce lawyers, directed by Peter (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15: SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Man on Fire — Action film directed by Tony Scott, with Denzel Washington, Christopher Walken, Dakota Fanning. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4: GALAXY 6: GASLAMP 15: GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPI ACE 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

Mean Girls — A home-schooled teenager, raised in the wilds of Africa, is let loose as an innocent in the American public school system, and the worn-out subject of adolescent cattiness and bitchery receives an infusion of fresh blood, or at any rate a megadose of caffeine. The snap-crackle-pop script (from a book by Rosalind Wiseman) is by Saturday Night Live veteran Tina Fey, who also plays the sympathetic math teacher, the most human character in the group. In truth, the script could stand to take a breath once in a while, and the nominal heroine (Lindsay Lohan) too facilely straddles too many fences - a naif, a misfit, a hottie, a math whiz - but then again, the real heroine is Tina Fey, who we



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may be sure has a few scores to settle. Rachel McAdams, Lacey Chabert, Lizzy Caplan, Tim Meadows; directed by Mark Waters.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14: LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Monsieur Ibrahim — French coming-ofage trifle, set in the Sixties, with a rock-androll 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. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

My Architect — About as "personal" as a

documentary can get. Nathaniel Kahn, the unacknowledged bastard son of Philadelphia-based architect Louis Kahn (whose obituary in the New York Times

mentioned only one offspring, a daughter, Sue Ann), sets out twenty-five years after his father's death, when the filmmaker had been but a boy of eleven, to disentangle the

strands of his father's private life — there is yet a third offspring, Alexandra, by yet a third 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.

★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

New York Minute — Comedy starring Mary-Kate Olsen and Ashley Olsen as dissimilar twins, directed by Dennie

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18: GALAXY 6: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

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CENTRAL

CLAIREMONT

Town Square 14

nt Drive (858-274-1234) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:25) 4:50, 7:20, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:50) 7:20, 9:40; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:15) 5:35, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:15, 5:35) 7:50; **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 5:30, 7:55, 10:15; **Mon**.-Thu. (2:05, 5:30) 7:55, 10:15; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:55, 7:25, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:55) 7:25, 10:05; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:35, 1:35) 4:15; Mon.-Thu (1:25, 3:50); **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:45) 4:45, 7:05, 7:40, 9:55, 10:35, Sun. (1:45) 4:45, 7:05, 7:40, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:45) 7:05, 7:40, 9:55; **Laws of Attraction** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 2:50) 5:00, 7:15, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 5:00) 7:15, 9:25; **Man on** Fire (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:25) 4:25, 7:35, 10:00, 10:40; Sun. (12:25) 4:25, 7:35, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:25) 7:35, 10:00; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 2:20) 4:40, 7:10, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:40) 7:10, 9:35; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 12:35, 2:10, 3:00) 4:35, 5:20, 7:00, 7:45, 9:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:20, 3:10, 4:35, 5:25) 7:00, 7:45, 9:30, 10:10; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:25, 12:30, 1:30, 2:15, 3:30) 4:30, 5:10, 6:45, 7:30, 8:05, 9:45, 10:30, 11:00; Sun. (11:25, 12:30, 1:30, 2:15, 3:30) 4:30, 5:10, 6:45, 7:30, 8:05, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 2:15, 3:05, 4:30, 5:10) 6:45, 7:30, 8:05, 9:45

DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15 701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) Bobby Jones - Stroke of Genius (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:10) 4:35, 7:35, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:35) 7:35, 10:15; **Dawn of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 3:05) 5:35, 8:05, 10:20; (30) 11:-5at. (12:55, 3:05) 5:35, 8:05, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:20) 7:55, 10:05; **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:30) 4:40, 7:15, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:40) 7:15, 9:50; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:40, 3:10) 5:45, 8:10, 10:40; Sun.-Thu. (1:25, 3:50) 7:50, 10:15; **Hidalgo** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20) 4:15, 7:10, 10:05; Sun. (1:20) 4:15, 7:10, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:15) © 7:10, 9:55; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:05, ±1:35, 2:30) 4:10, 5:00, 5:40, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:40, 10:35; Sun. (1:05, 1:35, 2:30) 4:10, 5:00, 5:40, 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:40, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 1:35, 2:30, 4:10, 5:00, 5:40) 7:00, 7:45, 8:20, 9:40, 10:25; **The Ladykillers** (R)

8:70, 9:40, 10:25; **The Ladykillers** (R)

9:50 Fri.-Sun. (2:15) 4:45, 7:20, 9:45; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:35, 1:15, 3:45) 4:30, 7:05, 7:25, 10:00, 10:30; Sun. (12:35, 1:15, 3:45) 4:30, 7:05, 7:25, 10:00, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 1:15, 7:25, 10:00, 10:20; Mon.-1nu. (12.35,), 3:45, 4:30) 7:05, 7:25, 10:00, 10:20; **The Pun-**

isher (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:35) 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. (1:25) 4:25, 7:25, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, (1.2.5) 7.2.5, 10:10; **Starsky and Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 5:25, 7:40, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:10, 5:25) 7:40, 9:55; Walking Tall (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:00) 5:10, 7:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:00, 5:10) 7:30, 9:30; **The Whole Ten Yards** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:50, 8:25, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:15, 5:50) 8:15, 10:20

Horton Plaza 14

475 Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:30, 5:10) 7:45, 10:15; **The Alamo** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (3:15) 9:45; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:10); Mon.-Thu. (11:20); **Eternal** Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:30) 7:05; Godsend (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 4:40) 7:20, 10:05; Jake's Booty Call (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:30, 12:45, 2:55, 5:00) 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 2:55, 5:00) 7:15, 9:30: Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:25, 5:05) 7:35, 9:55; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 11:45, 2:20, 4:55 12:50, 3:20) 6:45, 7:25, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 12:50, 2:20, 3:20, 4:55) 6:45, 7:25, 9:50; **New** York Minute (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:45, 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 12:15, 3:00) 6:20, 7:50, 9:15, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:00, 3:00, 3:15, 5:30) 6:20, 7:50, 9:15, 10:20; **Off the Lip** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 12:20, 2:50, 5:15) 7:40, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:50, 5:15) 7:40, 10:00; **Taking Lives** (R) Fri.-Thu. 9:20; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri. 10:00, 12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 3:05, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50, 6:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:25, 10:10, 10:40, 12:00, 12:01; Sat. (10:00, 12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 3:05, 3:50, 4:20, 4.50) 6.15, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 9.25, 10.10, 10.40, 4:50) 6:13, 7:00, 7:50, 8:00, 9:23, 10:10, 10:4 12:00; Sun. (10:00, 12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 3:05, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50) 6:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:25, 10:10, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 12:40, 1:10, 1:40, 3:05, 3:50, 4:20, 4:50) 6:15, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:25, 10:10, 10:40

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262) Van Helsing; New York Minute; Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius; Envy; Godsend; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Man on Fire; 13 Going on 30; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Punisher; Connie and Carla; Ella Enchanted

La Jolla Village 8879 Villa La Iolla Drive (619-819-0236) **Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind** (R) Fri. (1:55) 4:30, 7:10, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:25) 1:55, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40; Mon.-Tue. (1:55) 4:30, 7:10, 9:40; Wed. (1:55) 4:30, 9:40; Thu. (1:55) 4:30, 7:10, 9:40; **The Ladykillers** (R) Fri. (4:20) 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 4:20, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (4:20) 9:30; **Monsieur Ibrahim** (R) Fri. (2:15) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun (11:45) 2:15, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:15) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; **My Architect** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. (1:45) 7:00; Spring, Summer Fall, Winter, and Spring (R) Fri. (2:05) 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:35) 2:05, 4:40, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:05) 4:40, 7:20, 9:50

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700) Van Helsing; New York Minute; Envy; God-send; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Pride and Prejudice; Ella Enchanted; Man on Fire; 13 Going on 30; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Punisher; The Alamo; Hellboy; Home on the

MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18 7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262) Van Helsing; New York Minute; Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius; Envy; Godsend; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Man on Fire; 13 Going on 30; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Punisher; Connie and Carla; The Girl Next Door; Hellboy; The Passion of the Christ

Hazard Center 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-299-4500) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:10, 3:10, 5:20, 7:20, 9:30; **Bobby Jones - Stroke of Ge**nius (PG) Fri. 5:00; Sat.-Thu. 5:00; Connie and Carla (PG-13) Fri.-Mon. 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:35; Tue. 1:05, 3:15, 9:35; Wed.-Thu. 1:05, 3:15, 5:20, 7:25, 9:35; Godsend (PG-13) -Thu. 1:05, 3:20, 5:25, 7:30, 9:40; **Kill Bill** Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:20, 4:10, 7:05, 9:45; Man on Fire (R) Fri.-Thu. 1:15, 2:00, 4:05, 7:00, 8:00, 9:50; Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45

Mission Valley 20 1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) Van Helsing; New York Minute; Off the Lip; Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius; Envy; Codsend; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Man on Fire; 13 Going on 30; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Punisher; The Alamo; Ella Enchanted; Johnson Family Vacation; Hellboy; The Ladykillers; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed; The Passion of the

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990) 13 Going on 30 (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 10:00; Sat. (11:15, 1:20, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 10:00; Sun. (11:15, 1:20, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:05, 5:35) 7:50; Godsend (PG-13) Fri. (1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Sat. (11:10, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Sun. (11:10, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00; Mon -Thu (2:55, 5:15) 7:45; **Johnson Family Vacation** (PG-13) Fri. (1:35, 3:50) 5:55, 8:05, 10:20; Sat. (11:30, 1:35, 3:50) 5:55, 8:05, 10:20; Sun. (11:30, 1:35, 3:50) 5:55, 8:05; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:45) 7:55; Man on Fire (R) Fri. (1:00, 3:55) 7:00, 9:55; Sat. (12:00, 3:00) 7:00, 9:55; Sun. (12:00, 3:00) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:20) 8:10; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri. (1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55, 10:05; Sat. (11:20, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55, 10:05; Sun. (11:20, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55; Mon.-Thu. (3:25, 5:50) 8:00; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri. (1:50) 4:40, 7:40, 10:30; Sat. (11:00, 1:50) 4:40, 7:40, 10:30; Sun. (11:00, 1:50) 4:40, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:30) 8:15

4061 Adams Avenue 619-819-0236) Red Trousers: The Life of the Hong Kong **Stuntmen** (Not Rated) Thu. 5:20, 7:35, 9:50; **Tamala 2010: A Punk Cat in Space** Fri. 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. 5:20, 7:30, 9:40

LIPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas 3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) Bon Voyage (PG-13) Fri. (1:50) 4:20, 7:00, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 1:50, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:50) 4:20, 7:00, 9:30; I'm Not **Scared** (R) Fri. (2:00) 4:30, 7:10, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:35; Mon. (2:00) 4:30, 9:35; Tue.-Thu. (2:00) 4:30, 7:10, 9:35; **Nói Albinói** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:20) 4:50, 7:30, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:40) 2:20, 4:50, 7:30, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:20) 4:50, 7:30, 9:45; Shaolin Soccer (PG-13) Fri. (2:25) 4:55, 7:35, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 2:25, 4:55, 7:35, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:25) 4:55, 7:35, 9:50; **Young Adam** (NC-17) Fri. (2:10) 4:40, 7:30, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:40, 7:30, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (2:10) 4:40, 7:30, 9:40

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EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) 13 Going on 30 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:10, 4:40) 7:10, 9:40; Ella Enchanted (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:10, 4:40); **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:25, 4:55) 7:25, 9:55; **God-send** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 4:55) 7:30, 10:05; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (2:05) 7:30; **Home on the Range** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30); Johnson Family Vacation (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 5:00) 10:25; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:10, 10:20; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50) 7:10, 9:30; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 3:45) 7:05, 10:25; Mean Girls (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:05, 4:35) 7:10, 9:40; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:25, 2:25 2:45, 4:45, 5:05) 7:05, 7:25, 9:25, 9:45; **Off the Lip** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50) 7:10, 9:30; The Punisher (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 2:05, 4:55) 7:45, 10:40; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:20, 4:40) 7:00, 9:20; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:20, 12:40, 1:05, 1:25, 1:45, 3:50, 4:10, 4:30, 4:50) 7:00, 7:20, 7:40, 8:00, 10:10, 10:25, 10:45, 11:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 1:05, 1:25, 1:45, 3:50, 4:10, 4:30, 4:50) 7:00, 7:20, 7:40, 8:00, 10:10, 10:25, 10:45, 11:00; Walking Tall (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30,

4:50) 7:10, 9:30

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Center Drive (619-465-7100) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 12:55, 3:15) 5:30, 5:55, 8:10, 10:25, 10:40; Sun. (12:10, 12:55, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 12:55, 3:15, 5:30) 7:45, 10:10; **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:35) 5:25, 7:55, 10:20; Sun. (12:15, 2:35) 5:25, 7:55, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:35, 5:25) 7:55, 10:05; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:20) 4:45, 7:05, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:20, 4:45) 7:05, 9:40; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:55) 5:05, 7:40, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:55, 5:05) 7:40, 9:45; **Man** on Fire (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:30, 3:25) 7:10, 7:50, 10:05; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:45, 3:05) 5:10, 7:35, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 3:05, 5:10) 7:35, 9:55; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:15, 7:30, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:50, 5:15) 7:30, 9:50; Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 1:00, 3:30) 5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; Sun. (12:00, 1:00, 3:30) 5:00, 7:00, 8:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:00, 3:30, 5:00) 7:00, 8:00, 10:00

Grossmont Trolley 8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) The Alamo (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 7:05, 9:50; Sun.-Thu. 7:05; Clifford's Really Big Movie (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:05) 4:30; Mon.-Thu (12:00, 2:05, 4:30); **Connie and Carla** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:50, 2:20) 4:55, 7:20, 9:35; Sun. (11:50, 2:20) 4:55, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (11:50, 2:20, 4:55) 7:20; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:55); **Eternal Sunshine of the** Spotless Mind (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:45, 2:10) 4:40, 7:35, 9:55; Sun. (11:45, 2:10) 4:40, 7:35; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:10, 4:40) 7:35; Hidalgo (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:35, 2:45) 7:15, 10:05; Sun.-Thu. (11:35, 2:45) 7:15; **Home on the** Range (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 1:55, 3:40) 5:35; Sun. (12:05) 4:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 1:55, 3:40, 5:35); Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; Sun. (2:00) 4:45, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:45) 7:30; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 1:45, 3:50) 7:00, 9:15; Sun.-Thu. (11:30, 1:45, 3:50) 7:00; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Sat. 7:25, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 7:25; **Raising Helen** (PG-13) Sun. (2:00); **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:40, 2:50) 6:30, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. (11:40, 2:50) 6:30

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) 13 Going on 30 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:40; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:55; Man on Fire (R) Fri.-Thu. 8:15, 1:25; Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:15, 12:30

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Iamacha Road (619-660-3483) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:25, 5:00) 7:35, 10:05; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (3:40); **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 4:50) 7:20, 9:50; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 4:45) 7:25,

Noi — The feature debut of Icelandic writer-director Dagur Kári, about an albino adolescent (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 5/7)

Off the Lip — Robert Mackenzie's spoof of surfing documentaries, with Marguerite Moreau and Astin Mackenzie. (HORTON PLAZA 14: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; FROM 5/7)

Once Upon a Time in the West — The somewhat abridged — but plenty long as is - American version of Sergio Leone's sprawling epic Western. It goes in, in a big way, for slow buildups and stretch-outs, for prolonged and perspiry agonies, for grizzle and grime, for cynicism about the larceny in the hearts of men, and for unparalleled villainy in the person of duster-dressed, tobacco-spitting Henry Fonda. The brilliant camerawork is by Tonino Delli Colli, whose color sense appears to have come from extensive training in alchemy. With Charles Bronson, Jason Robards,



New York Minute

Claudia Cardinale. 1969. ★★★ (MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHIC ARTS, 5/7 AND 8 7 PM)

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

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. • (FASHION VALLEY 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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,

The Punisher — A Marvel Comics avenger little different from a Steven Seagal or Arnold Schwarzenegger avenger. In a

10:00; Hellboy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30,2:15,5:05) 7:50, 10:35; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:20) 7:05, 10:15; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri. (12:25, 2:50, 5:10) 7:30, 9:55; Sat. (10:10, 12:25, 2:50, 5:10) 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (10:10, 5:10) 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:25, 2:50, 5:10) 7:30, 9:55; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 3:15) 6:45, 10:10; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:05, 4:35) 7:00 9:40; New York Minute (PG) Fri. (12:15, 1:00, 2:35, 3:20, 4:55, 5:40) 7:15, 8:00, 9:35 10:20; Sat.-Sun. (10:00, 10:45, 12:15, 1:00, 2:35, 3:20, 4:55, 5:40) 7:15, 8:00, 9:35, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:00, 2:35, 3:20, 4:55, 5:40) 7:15, 8:00, 9:35, 10:20; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 4:40) 7:40, 10:35; **Raising** Helen (PG-13) Sun. (2:00); Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri. 11:15, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:30, 10:15, 11:00, 11:35, 12:01; Sat. (10:00, 10:45, 11:15, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15) 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:30, 10:15, 11:00, 11:35; Sun (10:00, 10:45, 11:15, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15) 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:30, 10:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:15, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15) 6:15, 7:00, 7:45, 8:30, 9:30, 10:15, 10:45

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:30; Envy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45 (1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15, 10:45; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00 (1:15, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; **Mean** Girls (PG-13) Fri.-Thu, 10:15 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45) 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45

Palm Promenade 24 770 Dennery Road (858-558-2262)

Van Helsing; New York Minute; Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius; Envy; Man on Fire; Mean Girls; Hellboy; Ella Enchanted; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Alamo; Johnson Family Vacation; Home on the Range; 13 Going on 30: Godsend: The Girl Next Door: The Punisher; Laws of Attraction; The Passion of the Christ; Walking Tall; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed

Rancho Del Rey 16East H Street, at Tierra Del Rey (619-216-4707) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 11:20, 1:30, 1:55, 4:05, 4:30) 6:55, 9:30; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:35); **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:45, 4:20) 7:20, 10:00; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 1:35, 4:05) 7:10, 9:55; **Johnson Family Vaca**tion (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:30, 10:05; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. (3:30) 7:15, 10:20; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Thu, (11:15, 1:40, 4:10) 7:05, 9:40; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 2:30) 6:45, 7:35, 10:15, 10:40; **Mean** Girls (PG-13) Fri -Thu (11:10, 1:50, 4:35) 7:25, 10:00; New York Minute (PG) Fri.-Thu.

(10:50, 11:25, 1:20, 2:00, 3:45, 4:25) 6:50, 7:30, 9:35, 10:05; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 3:40) 7:35, 10:30; **Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 4:15); **Troy** (R) Thu. 12:01; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri. 10:40, 11:30, 12:00, 12:40, 2:00, 2:35, 3:15, 3:50, 5:20, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 9:00, 9:30, 9:50, 10:10, 12:01; Sat. 10:40, 11:30, 12:00, 12:40, 2:00, 2:35, 3:15, 3:50, 5:20, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 9:00, 9:30, 9:50, 10:10; Sun. 10:40, 11:25, 12:00, 12:40, 2:00, 2:35, 3:15, 3:50, 5:20, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 9:00, 9:30, 9:50, 10:10; Mon.-Wed. 10:40, 11:30, 12:00, 12:40, 2:00, 2:35, 3:15, 3:50, 5:20, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 9:00, 9:30, 9:50, 10:10; Thu. 10:40, 11:30, 12:00, 12:40, 2:00, 2:35, 3:15, 3:50, 5:20, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 9:00, 9:30, 9:50

Vogue

226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436) Ella Enchanted (PG) Fri.-Thu. 12:30, 6:00; **Starsky and Hutch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 9:30; **Walking Tall** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:15,

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) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri. 2:30, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:15, 7:30; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri. 1:00 (4:00) 7:00, 10:15; Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:15; Sun. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Mon.-Thu 1:00 (4:00) 7:00; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri. 1:15 (3:30) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 1:15 (3:30) 5:45, 8:15; **New** York Minute (PG) Fri. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri. 1:45 (4:45) 7:45, 10:45; 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

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:35, 1:50) 4:15, 7:15, 10:00; Sun. (11:35, 1:50) 4:15, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu, (11:35, 1:50, 4:15) 7:10, 9:45; **Ella Enchanted** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 5:45, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 5:45) 10:10; **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:05, 1:25, 3:40) 6:00, 8:10, 10:25; Sun.-Thu. (11:05, 1:25, 3:40) 6:30, 10:00; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 1:45) 4:20, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. (11:25, 1:45, 3:55) 7:15, 9:55; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:15, 2:00) 4:50, 7:40, 10:25; Sun. (11:20, 2:15) 5:05, 8:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:20, 2:15, 5:05) 8:45; **Laws** of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:45, 1:55) 4:20, 7:35, 10:05; Sun. (11:45, 1:55) 4:20, 7:40, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 1:55, 4:20) 7:40,

10:05: Man on Fire (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 3:10) 7:10, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. (12:00, 3:10) 6:25, 9:35; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:20, 1:30, 3:50) 6:15, 8:25, 10:35; Sun.-Thu. (11:25, 1:35, 3:50) 7:05, 9:50; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 12:10, 1:05, 2:35, 3:20) 4:40, 5:25, 7:05, 8:00, 9:35, 10:20; Sun. (11:00, 12:05, 1:05, 2:25, 3:20) 4:45, 5:25, 7:05, 7:50, 9:15, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 12:05, 1:05, 2:25, 3:20, 4:45, 5:25) 7:05, 7:50, 9:15, 10:00; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 3:35) 7:55; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:05, 11:40, 1:55, 2:30) 4:45, 5:35, 7:45, 8:45, 10:40; Sun. (11:05, 11:40, 2:30, 3:45) 5:35, 6:45, 8:40, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 11:40, 2:30, 3:45, 5:35) 6:45, 8:40, 9:40

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16, 350 West Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)

Call theater for program information

POWAY

Poway 10 *13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)* **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Bobby Jones - Stroke of Genius** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 5:00; **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:15 (1:45, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:15 (1:45, 4:15) 7:00; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:15, 7:30; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Sat. 2:00, 8:00, 10:45; Sun. 2:00, 8:00; Mon. 2:00, 5:00, 8:00; Tue.-Thu. 2:00, 8:00; **Laws of Attraction** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15; Man on Fire (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) 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; **New York Minute** (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; Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45) 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45)

RAMONA

Ramona Twin 626 Main Street Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California

Walk (760-471-3711) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:35, 2:20, 4:20) 7:15, 8:10, 9:50; Ella Enchanted (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 5:10) 9:40; Envy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:35, 5:15) Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 3:20) 7:00,

7:50, 10:25; **Godsend** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:40, 5:15) 7:50, 10:20; **Hellboy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:35, 10:25; **Home on the** Range (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:45, 3:10) 7:40; Kill 10:00; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:40, 5:05) 7:25, 9:55; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri. 10:35, 4:55, 10:35, 10:55, 2:20, 6:55, 10:05; Sat.-Thu. (10:35, 10:55, 2:20, 4:55) 6:55, 10:05,

10:35: Mean Girls (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00. 2:30, 4:55) 7:20, 9:45; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 12:25, 2:00, 2:45, 4:15, 5:05) 7:05, 7:45, 9:15, 10:00; The Passion of the Christ (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 4:45) 10:30; Pride and Prejudice (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:15, 5:00); The Punisher (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:20, 2:13, Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (PG) Fri.-Mon. (11:05, 1:45, 4:30) 7:10, 9:30; Tue.-Wed. 11:05, 1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30; Thu. (11:05, 1:45, 4:30) 7:10, 9:30; **Troy** (R) Thu. 12:01; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (10:30, 12:30, 1:10, 1:50, 2:10, 3:45, 4:40, 5:00, 5:30) 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 8:40, 10:15, 10:45, 11:25, 11:45; Sun. (10:30, 12:30, 1:10, 1:50, 2:10, 3:45, 4:40, 5:00, 5:30) 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 8:40, 10:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (10:30, 12:30, 1:10, 1:50, 2:10, 3:45, 4:40, 5:00, 5:30) 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 8:40, 10:15, 10:45, 11:45

VISTA

Vista Village Metroplex 15

Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)

Van Helsing; New York Minute; Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius; Envy; Godsend; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Man on Fire; 13 Going on 30; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Punisher: Ella Enchanted: Hellboy: Home on the Range

NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real, 2385 Marron Road (760-729-7147) **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 8:55; Sun. 12:00, 3:00, 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:10, 3:00, 5:50, 8:40; **Mean Girls** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:50, 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:20, 9:25; Sun. 10:50, 1:05, 3:10, 5:15, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 11:55, 2:00, 4:10, 6:20, 8:25; **New York Minute** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 12:45, 2:45, 4:45, 6:45, 8:45; Sun. 10:45, 12:45, 2:45, 4:45, 6:45; Mon.-Thu. 12:30, 2:30, 4:30, 6:30, 8:30; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:35; Sun. 11:00, 1:40, 4:20, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00, 6:00, 8:45

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) 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; Ella Enchanted (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30); Envy (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30 (2:00, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:30 (2:00, 4:15) 7:00; **Godsend** (PG-13) 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; Kill Bill Vol. 2 (R) Fri.-Sat. 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 4:30, 7:30; **Mean Girls** (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; **New** Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 3:15, 7:45, New York Minute (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; Van Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45) 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (10:45, 1:00, 1:45, 4:00, 4:45) 7:00, 7:45

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via De La Valle (858-646-9425)

Bobby Jones - Stroke of Genius (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45; **Eternal** Sunshine of the Spotless Mind (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30; Man on Fire (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Raising Helen (PG-13) Sun. (2:00)

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) Van Helsing; New York Minute; Envy; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Man on Fire; 13 Going on 30; Ella Enchanted

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW) Kill Bill, Vol. 2

LA COSTA

La Costa 6

6941 El. Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221) **13 Going on 30** (PG-13) 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; Laws of Attraction (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00;

Mean Girls (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **New York Minute** (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; **Van** Helsing (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13

College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)

13 Going on 30 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:25, 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:20; **Envy** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:10, 1:45, 4:25, 7:10, 9:50; **Kill Bill Vol. 2** (R) Fri.-Thu. 12:10, 3:15, 6:45, 10:15; **Laws of Attraction** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:55, 2:25, 4:45, 7:05, 9:30; **Man on Fire** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:40, 6:30, 10:10; Mean Girls (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 1:55, 4:25, 6:55, 9:25; **New** York Minute (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00, 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00; **The Punisher** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:55, 4:50, 7:40, 10:30; **Van Helsing** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 1:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:00, 10:30

Oceanside 16

401 Mission Avenue (760-439-1733) Van Helsing; New York Minute; Off the Lip; Envy; Godsend; Laws of Attraction; Lip; Envy; Godsend; Laws of Attraction; Mean Girls; Man on Fire; Clifford's Really Big Movie; 13 Going on 30; Kill Bill, Vol. 2; The Punisher; Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed

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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.

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Shaolin Soccer — Hong Kong action comedy starring and directed by Stephen Chow. (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, and Spring — Time goes by for a Buddhist monk and his lone pupil on a floating sanctuary in a Korean lake. Slow, schematic didactic, visually detailed, dramatically stunted. Kim Ki-Duk writes, directs, and stars. 2003

★ (LA IOLLA VILLAGE)

Starsky and Hutch — Zero points for originality of concept or strategy of execution: another vintage TV show transferred to the big screen, and, after the

fashion of The Brady Bunch of similar vintage, held up to ridicule for its datedness (its tight pants, its wide collars, its perms), among other things. The results are innocuous at worst and ingratiating at best, although maybe it helps if you have never seen the TV show and have no proprietary interest in it. Ben Stiller, always a willing horse's ass, comes off the better of the two stars as a by-the-book undercover cop who acknowledges no such thing as petty crime, while Owen Wilson, a too-cool-for-school detective unaverse to a bit of criminal activity of his own, makes no modifications to his normal persona such as might be construed as characterization. Vince Vaughn, Snoop Dogg, Fred Williamson; directed by Todd Phillips. 2004. ★ (GASLAMP 15; VOGUE)

13 Going on 30 — Comedy-fantasy about an early adolescent transported into adulthood, with Jennifer Garner and Mark Ruffalo, directed by Gary Winick. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN: TOWN SOUARE 14: VISTA VILLAGE)

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Walking Tall — The title and the timber are taken from the 1973 biopic on Sheriff

Buford Pusser, but this remake-slashupdate-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, whose air of moral rectitude has a nice sincerity to it. Or even Walking Short, to fit the hour-and-aquarter running time of a grade-B programmer of 1954. With Johnny Knoxville and Neal McDonough; directed by Kevin Bray. 2004.

★ (GASLAMP 15: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: VOGUE)

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.

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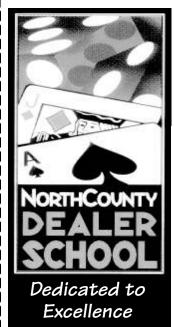
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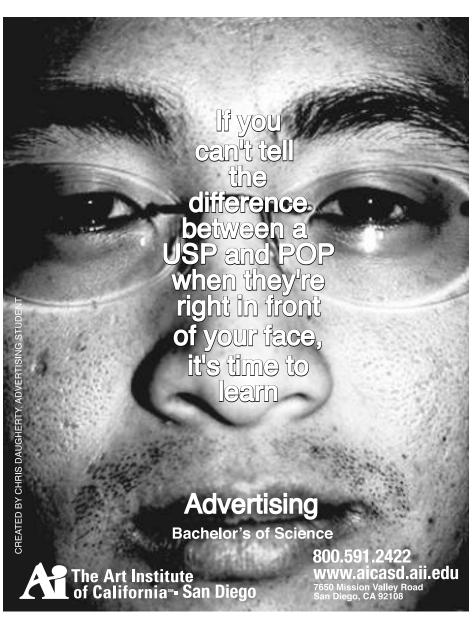
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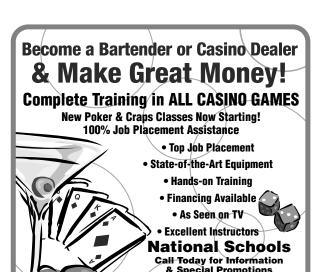


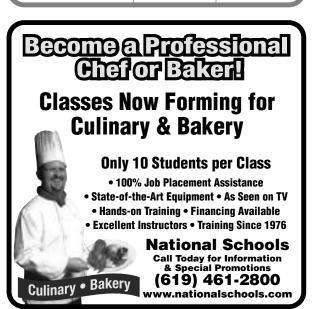












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Elizabeth Eden Sex Industry Retailer North Park

People might look at me and say that I'm short, but that's not really a stereotype as [much as] a physical feature. I've been called an "art fag" on numerous occasions. It's one of those terms from the '80s that people don't use much any-more, but I tend to find myself in circles with different kinds of artists. It's not really a stereotype that I resent. A friend of mine says that I look like this nice little girl who boys try to talk to before they find out that I'm what you might call a "man-eater." It takes a lot to impress



Sherry Ponds GrocerPoway

The stereotype that follows me is that I'm rich. The men I meet and in general anyone who I come into contact with outside of work thinks that I have money. The reason behind my stereotype is that I tend to wear a lot of dresses and high heels when I'm out on the town, and I drive a Lincoln Continental. When guys find out that I don't have a lot of money, they end up leaving me. It's a negative thing, but I dress the way I want and drive the kind of car I want. Stereotypes shouldn't make decisions for you.



Veronica Retail Support Chula Vista

Think that people believe that I have an intimidating appearance. I don't smile a lot, and people automatically assume that I'm a mean person. A lot of my friends told me that in the beginning of our friendships that [they thought that I was intimidating], but after a while they tell me that I'm a genuine person. It's some-thing that I know that I have control over, but there are times when I don't feel like smiling. Once I was working at this coffee shop and it had been a busy morning and this lady said to me, "You don't have to look so bothered because you're helping me." I made jokes about the long morning and she was smiling by the time she



Grace Sales Associate Del Mar

I get the ditzy-blonde stereotype for obvious reasons, but the joke's on them because I'm not even a real blonde. As a blonde, though, I do tend to get a lot more attention than when I'm a brunette. Other women focus on the ditzy stereotype...at least more than men do. There's also the "blondes have more fun" stereotype, which is true in so many ways that it doesn't matter if I'm assumed to be ditzy. I don't really act too much like a blonde because I'm a brunette at heart. All stereotypes aren't bad as long as you can use them to your benefit.



Amanda Walkens

Student Oceanside

Alot of people assume that I'm a really big bitch when they first meet me. At my school, nearly everyone dresses preppy. I wear a lot of darker colors, with a little more punk style, and I find that something as small as the way you dress can affect how people look at you. It took my friends a little while to get to know me because I can be hard to approach, but I think that I'm a pretty fun person to be around once you get to know me. Young people act like sheep, and sometimes it takes a bitch to be a shepherd.



Adreana Ibenez

Student San Jose

T'm usually shy when I first meet people, so I'm stereotyped as a quiet person. In reality, I'm fairly talkative. I feel what I have to say is important, so it doesn't bother me if people think of me as garrulous. Sure, I may be a bit on the loquacious side, but the world we live in is a mixture of what goes on within our minds and what we create in the world around us. Without communication and language, we're nothing but animals. For all we know, animals might have the ability to do quantum physics, but we're still on top of the food chain because we have the faculties to make the connec-

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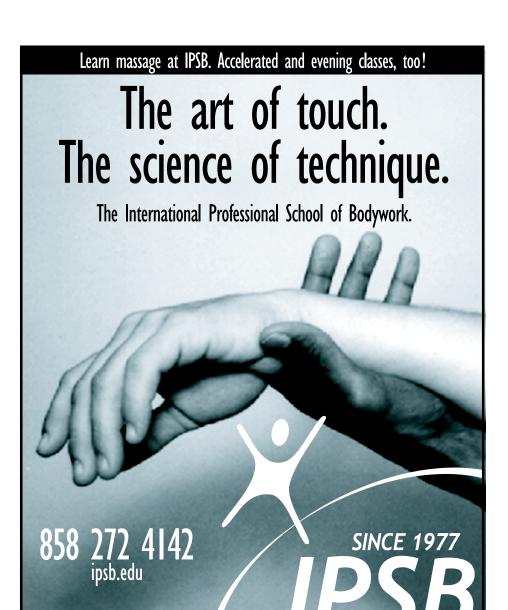
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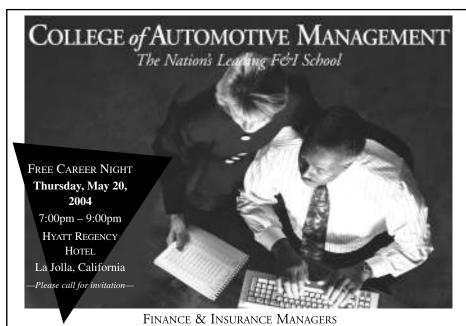


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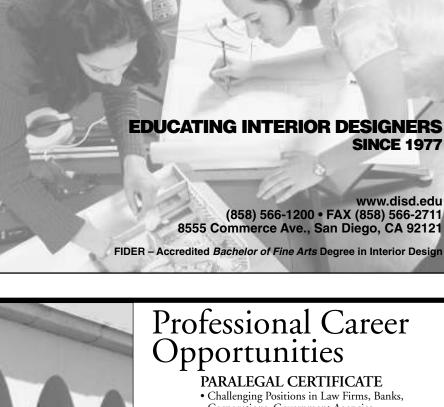
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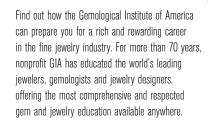
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15. Words following hop or snap 16. The "U" in U.S.S.R.

17. "What __!" ("So pricey!")

THE READER PUZZLE

18. Actress Tomlin 19. "Platoon" director

20. Apt description of a dictionary that begins with "Aardvark" but doesn't reach "Notice"?

5. "May I ____ silly question?"
9. Wasn't given a choice

"Already?"

24. Similar things

Across1. Jazzman Stan

14. Steak order

25. Scores: Abbr.

27. Take out, in a way

32. Painter Mondrian

"... ways to skin _

39. Site of two famous banks 40. Apt description of sheet music

that begins with "O say can you see" but doesn't reach 'and the home of the brave"?

43. Missionary's target

44. Ram or rooster

45. Stepped (on) 46. Sound purchase?

48. Dolls in the '80s

50. The Big Apple's Finest, in brief

53. Enter through the cracks 58. Apt description of a performance in "Casablanca" that begins with "You must remember this" but doesn't

reach "goes by"? 62. TV host Kilborn

63. When Macbeth meets his fate

64. Part of A.D.

65. Mess up 66. Post-Christmas event

67. Major Calif.-to-Fla. route 68. Like Neil Diamond's Caroline

70. Statutes

1. Not Astroturf

2. Keep an ____ the ground3. Small bands

4. A Marx brother

5. Margaret Mitchell was one

'... and ____ goes"

7. Pottery ovens
8. "Here's looking _

9. Classified

10. Lock opener?
11. "Titanic" soundtrack singer

12. Ice picker-upper13. It might be broken into quarters

22. Cable channel that airs Oscar-

31. Film critic Rex

32. Livens (up)

33. Take ____ the waist (alter)
34. Just beat

35. Abdicator of 1917 37. "So, it's you!"

38. Part of a bathroom floor

41. Kind of stand

42. Recovers from

47. Yiddish yells of dismay 49. Boxer from Calif., e.g.

51. Part of a lunar cycle 52. Coffee before bedtime

54. Online sales
55. One of Columbus' ships

56. Transfer student's phrase

57. Some Dodges 58. Cleaving tool

59. "Must've been something

60. Heading on Santa's list 61. D-Day invasion town

62. Network for 62-Across

RULES OF THE GAME

1. The prize for solving the Reader Puzzle will be a Reader T-shirt.

2. All entries in the Reader Puzzle contest must be received by the Reader by 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, five days following the issue date (Fax to 619-231-0489 or U.S. Mail to Reader Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803).

3. All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.

4. Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.

. In the event of disputes or ties decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we'll have a lottery.

6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.

7. One entry per person.

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Solution to and winners of the Reader Puzzle for 4/29/04.

Of the 68 entrants, 63 were correct. The winners are:

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1. George Jackson, Oceanside

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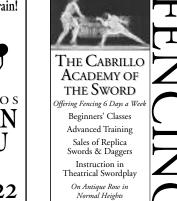
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Last week's place: Famosa Slough, beside West Point Loma Boulevard in Loma Portal. In the foreground stand trestles that once supported the Ocean Beach Trolley on its runs between Ocean Beach and San Diego. The slough is a 30-acre wetland saved by public outrage, Friends of the Famosa Slough, and the city. (Last week's winners: Diane Fernandes-Montgomery, Derek Pickern, John Littfin, Chris Chapman, Dan Toleno)

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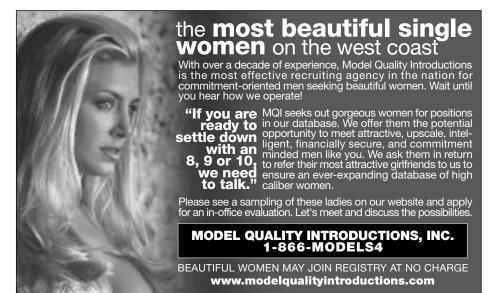
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46-YEAR OLD white female, shapely, pretty, loving, seeks black male for romance, passion, and fun. Enjoy home time as well as going out. (5/12)

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ATTRACTIVE, FUN, 43, 5'3", 115lbs., proressional, seeking Christian churchgoer, 42-53, professional, emotionally/financially secure, humorous, for friendship, romance, long-term relationship. Enjoy outdoors, dinners, conversation. (5/19) \$\frac{15}{23280}\$

BEAUTIFUL, SEXY, financially secure, professional, black female, 53, enjoys concerts, plays, movies, jazz. Seeking handsome, professional, black male, 45-65. Looking for romantic, exciting, committed relationship. (5/19) **☎** 23306

SENSUAL, ATTRACTIVE, LOVING, youthful lady, 5'6", trim, athletic, enjoys outdoors. Seeking tall, healthy male, 55-65, wanting to blend our many nice qualities for lasting relationship. (5/12) \$\infty\$23252

energy, and time f tion. (5/19) \$\mathbb{\alpha}\$23301

ARE YOU MUSCULAR, dark hair/skin, 30-38, homeowner? Me. adventuresome, fun, curvy blonde, early 30s. Both: stable, great looking, spiritual, growing personally, relationship oriented, extroverted. (5/12) \$\infty\$23279

ATTRACTIVE REDHEAD, 40s, outgoing adventurous. Let's share movies, dining, great conversation. Seeking outgoing, professional, romantic, intelligent man for friendship, laughter, and exploring the city. (5/12) \$\tilde{2}\$23273

city. (5/12) \$\frac{2}{32}73\$

LOVES JAZZ, BASEBALL, architecture, ocean, theater, politics, people, laughter, friends, cuddles. Plus size, 72-years young woman, will share with independent funny, good-humored man. (5/12) \$\frac{2}{3}23260\$

PRETTY BRUNETTE/BLUE, young looking, sincere, and romantic seeks attractive, sincere, caucasian male between 55-68. I enjoy dining, movies, plays, sports, conversation, laughter. (5/19) \$\tilde{2}23302\$

ARE YOU A 60+, and about to give up? Please don't take one more chance with with caring, affectionate lady of color from Central America. (5/12) 23271

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ASIAN, EXOTIC, SEXY, great smile, nice legs, curvaceous, humorous, 5'3", 115lbs., healthcare professional, child-less, homeowner. Seeking tall, fit, non-smoker, compatible, financially stable, 35+ caucasian professional. (5/12)

HEALTHY, LOVING, ATTRACTIVE, fun it, white female, 65, nonsmoking ng same in a white male with the bility of a long-term relation (5/12) **2**23269

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YOLUPTUOUS, EXOTIC and well put together, full figured black lady, needs Caucasian man for tender, loving care, age 48-65, financially secure. Let's have some fun! (5/19) \$\alpha 23284

SWEET BLONDE. Medium build, 48, 5'5", enjoys movies, plays, travel, barbecues, sunsets, friends, hugs, walks. Seeking nice, honest guy for fun relationship. (5/12) ★23249. ship. (5/12) 23249

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ATTRACTIVE, EUROPEAN MEXICAN. sexy, 5'9", 40, fun, 145lbs, wants to meet attractive make, 38-49, tall, financially secure, fun, for friendship or possible relationship. (5/12) \$\mathbf{\alpha}\$23275

long-term relationship, just us. Let's see what magic we can make together. (5/12)

LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus brunette. Very loving and sincere. moker seeking long-term relation-Let's go for it, big boy! (5/19)

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ATTRACTIVE FILIPINA WIDOW, 58, sexv educated, secure, homeowner, enjoys dancing, travel, dining, cuddling, movies. Will kiss away your lonely nights. Seeking tall, white, handsome, financially secure gentleman. (5/12) \$\mathbf{2}\$ 23257

EXOTIC LADY, ATTRACTIVE, fun loving, happy, and wise, seeks gent 45-55 withhappy, and wise, seeks gent 45-55 with-out baggage or games, who's found peace in himself and his world. (5/12)

TRUSTING, LASTING FRIEND wanted. Someone to count on, build relationship with, caring, thoughtful, authentic communication, patience. 5'7", attractive, 45, curvaceous, enthusiastic thoughtful, youthful. (5/19) 23304

GEORGIA PEACH. 59 years young. Love photography, outdoors, museums, animals, travel and most people. Sense of humor and adventure necessary. Love affection. No smoking. (5/19) \$\mathbf{2}\$23286

who's caring, thoughtful, easygoing. I'm brunette, 51, petite, hoping to meet 50+ for dinner and a movie. (5/12) \$\alpha\$ 23246

OUTGOING, HUMOROUS, friendly, attractive, white female, 36, seeks tall, sensi tive, active, humorous, outgoing, emotionally, financially secure white male, who would like to explore San Diego. (5/12) \$\infty\$23255

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gone to seed, lover of beaches, exercise, art, jazz, blues, meditation. Cool looking lady from Detroit. (5/19) \$\alpha\$23294

SAGITTARIAN, 37, brunette female, in search of fun, compassionate, and intelligent male to adventure San Diego and cycle with. Call if curious. (5/12)

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I AM A BLACK, FULL FIGURED female IAM A BLACK, FULL FIGURED female. My interests are Padres, outdoors, music. You: tall, slim, white man, financially secure, 45-65. No games/smoking/drinking, (5/19) \$\tilde{\pi}\$23293

ATTRACTIVE AFRICAN-AMERICAN woman, 40's, young at heart seeks attractive, caring, stable, romantic gentleman. Like salsa, dining out, converts, theaters, walks, fun to be with. (5/12) \$\tilde{\pi}\$23265

LOVING, PRETTY LADY, cheerful personality, good figure seeks romantic, adventurous, tall, 58+ gentleman to share fun times in a monogamous, sincere relationship. (5/12) \$\frac{1}{27}\$23261

SENSITIVE 50-SOMETHING female looking for 50+ year old, dependable white male with charming personality and inter-est in a refreshing companion, with possi-bility of romance. (5/19) \$\alpha\$23299

FIT, INTELLIGENT WOMAN, with a sense of adventure desires friendship, long-term relationship, and soul mate. Non-smoker, athletic, and kind. (5/12) 202363

COT A HARLEY? Vivacious redhead, 46, seeks interesting, enthusiastic man for thrilling rides and other activities. Non-smoker, prefer 45-55, sense of humor, attractive, fit, active. (5/19) ☎23289

YES, I'M "beautiful, shapely brunette", what most men want to hear. But I do have the good qualities to go with that. Kind, friendly, upbeat. (5/12) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$23270

IMAGINE KATIE COURIC AT 61. 5'3-1/2" 118lbs., playful, healthy, active, retired, professional. You are healthy, active, attractive, financially secure, 58-65. Seeking friend, possible relationship. (5/19)

★ 23298

HANDSOME WANTED! Me: cute, athletic, fit, brunette. You: 22-28, 5'11'+, good looking, fit, athletic, no buzz cuts, shaved heads. or facial hair. Include e-mail. (5/12) ★ 23253

AFRICAN-AMERICAN LADY, seeks white hispanic friend. Me: 5'5", 120lbs., 40. You under 40, not balding, fit, confident, happy, social eclectic. Seeking a lover. Me: same. (5/12) \$\mathbf{2}\$23241

BEAUTIFUL. PASSIONATE doctor, 39 5'5", 125lbs., loving, energetic, fun, fit, well traveled. Seeking a very successful, well educated, loving, sportive, monogamous man under 45. (5/19) ☎23297

BLUE-EYED BLONDE, 5'8", 125lbs., attractive, vivacious, and 54. Seeking tall, nice looking, educated professional, 49-56 who enjoys music, art, and an active lifestyle. (5/12) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$23277

46, HISPANIC, EASYGOING, sense of humor, affectionate, enjoys jazz, theatre, movies, sunsets. Semi-retired, romantic. (5/19) ☎23295

FEMALE, 35, 5'2", brunette, blue eves outgoing, passionate, happy, sweet, seeks male, 33-40, self-assured, outgoing, honest, communicator, humor, for friendship and fun. (5/12) \$\infty\$23254

DISTINGUISHED, EXECUTIVE TYPE, ro mantic, kind, generous, wealthy white male, 48+, desired by sweet, sensual, romantic, happy, cute, caramel-colored black female, 24. Seeking fun relationship. (5/19) \$\frac{1}{2}\$23290

TELL ME WHAT YOU LOVE about your life. Female, active, curious, curvaceous, and maverick seeks male, 62-72. Be kind, smart, and serious. (5/12) \$\infty\$23267

BLONDE, ATTRACTIVE, 5'8", creative compassionate, values family, gournet, gournand, enjoys fine arts, movies, the-atre, good conversation. Seeking honest, humorous, successful, handsome, terrific gentleman, between 60-75. (5/19) \$\tilde{\pi}\$2:3287

SINGLE, BIRACIAL FEMALE, 40, seeks same or white male, for fun times, good personality, spiritual, financially stable, nice, guy. Movies dining, music, travel, etc. (5/12) \$\infty\$23251

INDEPENDENT, HONEST, CARING, giv INDEPENDENT, HONEST, CARING, giv-ing, Christian, loves animals, kids, beach, movies, music, 4x4ing, barbecues, family gatherings, margaritas. Prefer younger man, age 30-39, with similar inter-ests. (5/12) ☎23268

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THE COMFORT ZONE. African-American e seeks nonsmoker full of laughter, sional. Please call. (5/12) 23274

STOP! Great lady, widowed, looking for my special man. I'm 59, caucasian, country attitude. You: great personality, time, monogamous, 58+, smoker, likes lunches out, weekends, coffee, and talks. (5/12)

NORTH COUNTY WOMAN, 54, Christian average height and weight. Enjoy walks, talks, dancing, camping, sharing adventures with man of good values and sense of humor. (5/19) \$\alpha\$ 23291

LET'S CHECK OUT something new. A new friend. For a date filled with enthusiastic conversation, playful energy, and positive interaction. (5/12) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 23256

ous, entrepreneur woman seeks similar physically fit, intuitive, white, spiritual, 30's-mid-40's. Friendship first, meditation, yoga, intimacy, hiking, fun, dancing, monogamous, childless. (5/12) \$\mathbf{x}\$23272

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MEN SEEKING WOMEN

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. (5/12) \$\tilde{\pi}\$23049

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HIGH REGARD FOR WOMEN, including equal treatment. Unselfish, sensitive, personable, adventurous, liberal, well traveled. Music, arts, politics, tennis, outdoor adventures, animals. Agnostic, 6'1", young 59. (5/19) 123108

REGULAR, HONEST GUY, 45, acts 25 5'8", 165lbs. Seeking attractive, monogamous, nonsmoking female who likes dining out, the outdoors, quiet times, sharing life. No games. (5/12) \$\mathbf{2}\$23057

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TATTOOED, CHRISTIAN white man seeks special, smart, slender, silly, shapely, sincere gal, 25-35, spend time with, spoil rotten, fall in love, marry, have babies. (5/12) ☎23064

ples. (5/12) \$23054

YOU ARE 5'-5'6", 50s, slender, medium build, nonsmoker/nondrinker, thoughtful, sensuous, affectionate, cuddly. I'm 5'8", athletic, beaches, homeowner, humorous, lovable, educated, music, retired teacher, coach. (5/19) \$23080

TRAVEL, ROMANCE! Sean Connery look alike. Athletic, communicative, monogamous, 60. Seeking down to earth, fit woman, for sharing laughing, good conversation, emotional, intimacy, camping, hiking. (5/12) \$\alpha\$23047

niking. (5/12) \$\mathbb{T}\$23047 **CAUCASIAN LADY, 60-75,** with similar qualities sought by attractive, white, 5'9", trim, unencumbered, intelligent, travelled, healthy, nonsmoking, light drinking, good listener, Christian, happy divorced male. (5/19) \$\mathbb{T}\$23090 **SOMEONE CREATURE**

SOMEONE SPECIAL! Ready for life's best part, tall, unencumbered, sparkling! I'm 6+, sensitive, witty, monogamous, spiritual, romantic, retired professional, world traveled, happy doer. Seeking you. (5/12) \$\tilde{2}\$23054

LOVABLE, CUTE, financially secure 5'10", physically fit, and slightly compul-510", physically tit, and siignily compasive, North County guy seeks unencumbered, attractive woman, 35-45 to go out

ASIAN GIRLFRIEND WANTED! White

executive seeks China doll for romance. Must love motorcycles, the outdoors, and being spoiled. (5/12) \$\infty\$23052

GOOD-LOOKING, SMART, STABLE, SUC cessful, unencumbered, nice guý, approximately 6', 180lbs., 46. Seeking slender, single, highly educated, nurturing beauty, 35-43, for balanced, long-term relationship. (5/19) 23079

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40s MILLIONAIRE, distinguished, seeks exotic diva, beautiful athletic, sportive, petite and sexy for domestic and foreign travel, dining, dancing, theatre, shopping and extraordinary romance. (5/19) ☎23086

WANTED. If you love world traveling, backpacking, athletic, romance, family, adventure, business, best friend. I want to meet you. Please call! (5/12) ☎23043

HANDSOME FILIPINO, 47, 5'10", secure homeowner, muscular build, fun loving, very caring, romantic, sincere, enjoys travel, cuddling, kisses, dancing, togetherness. Seeking sincere woman, any age/nationality, for adventure. (5/12)

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GREAT CATCH! DOWN TO EARTH, Jewish

The movies hiking cats, '80s male, 34, enjoys movies, hiking, cats, '80s music. Seeking honest, sincere woman for friendship and possible relationship. (5/19) \$\mathbf{\textit{2}}\$23098

SEEKING DECISIVE, ASSERTIVE woman who likes her man to listen and take care of her. I'm 48, 5'11", white, spiritual, articulate neat, with humor. (5/12) \$\infty\$23061

years old, in search of single Africar Hispanic female between 30-40. search of outgoing and posit woman. (5/19) \$\mathbb{\alpha}\$23092

NONSMOKER, ATTRACTIVE, healthy, worldly, slender, tall, humorous, honest, active, businessman, loving, romantic, personable, extrovert, advanced degrees. Interests: nature, art, architecture, landscape, sensual, outgoing, "youthful" 65. (5/19) ☎23111 LOOKING FOR LOVE. I'm 56, 5'3"

145lbs, good looking. I Love music, nature, cats, walking and having fun at home. La Mesa area. (5/19) \$\infty\$23105

DO YOU BELIEVE IN jungle fever? Ebony man, athletic build, 45 young, seeks all ivory white woman, any size, weight, great kisser, 35-58, committed relationship. (5/12) ☎23063

TALL, LEAN, ROMANTIC, charming, sexy, handsome, bald, black male, 50. Ir search of full-figured, curvy, caucasian tigress for my lover and much more Please? (5/19) \$\infty\$23110

STUBBORNLY PASSIONATE, fiercely funny, sexy, loving renaissance woman craved by 26-year-old entrepreneur, with soul of a poet, and a brain of a businessman. (5/12) \$\mathbb{\alpha}\$23066

WARM, KIND, NORMAL, 45, divorced white male, passionate, playful, romantic, humorous. No shoes to drop, skeletons appearing, suitcases to unpack. Am what I am. (5/12) \$\infty\$23068

HANDSOME, SEXY, SUCCESSFUL executive, 60, trim, 5'10", blonde/green eyes. Clean, caring, romantic, considerate. Seeks pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (5/19) ☎23083

LEGS, LEGS, LEGS, successful, professional, secure, handsome, athletic gentleman, 30+ seeks adventurous, openminded, voluptuous, sexy, leggy intelligent, playful lady for fun. Must like miniskirts. (5/19) 23085

CHARMING, HANDSOME, TALL, personable, confident, fun loving, 45. Looking for that special lady for romantic and lasting relationship. Affectionate, passionate, responsible. Healthy, slender, pretty. Nonsmoker. (5/19) \$\times 23089\$ 29, 6'1", 185LBS, white/Singaporean, looks like Keanu Reeves, aviation stu-

dent, nonsmoker. Enjoy surfing, hiking, biking, padres games, jazz/blues concerts. 21-35, no kids/smoking. (5/19)

WOULD LIKE TO MEET an Asian lady, 21-32, who is totally passionate about sports and body boarding and likes to date. (5/12) ☎23060

WIDOWED, YOUNG 76, 6', 215lbs., enjoys RV traveling, camping, fishing. Seeking lady with same interests for lifetime caring, and sharing. (5/12) \$\infty\$ 23055

WHITE, HANDSOME GENTLEMAN, great qualities, 54, 5/10", 180lbs., clean shaven, blue eyes, full head of hair, well groomed. Seeking friend, lover, long-term relationship. 42-58. (5/19) \$\mathbf{\alpha}\$23091

relationship. 42-98. (5/19) 223091

INTROSPECTIVE? Unusual teacher, 57, seeks friend, 25-40, who values tenderness, authenticity and intelligence. Passion for holistic health, yoga, theatre, social justice and sincere communication. (5/12) 23070

65-YEAR OLD, JEWISH MALE, active, golf, tennis, movies, dinner. In search of lady for long-term relationship. Sense of humor required. (5/19) \$\infty\$23107

AFFECTIONATE LADY, 70s-80s, sought for companionship, relationship by affluent widower, 80s, to go cruising, traveling, shows, dinners, concerts. I'm retired, healthy, active, unencumbered. You too? (5/12) 223076

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PASSIONATE, HONEST, 36, black, attractive, business oriented, enjoys working out, dancing, movies, beaches, music. Seeking nice, attractive lady with similar interests. Let's dine, friends first. (5/19) \$\mathbf{2}\$23122

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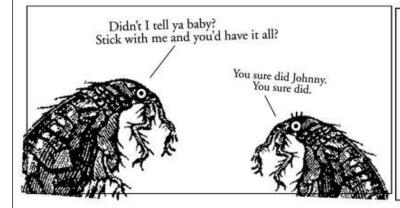
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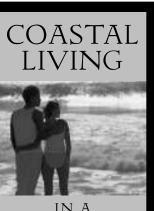
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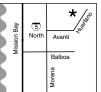


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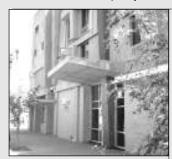
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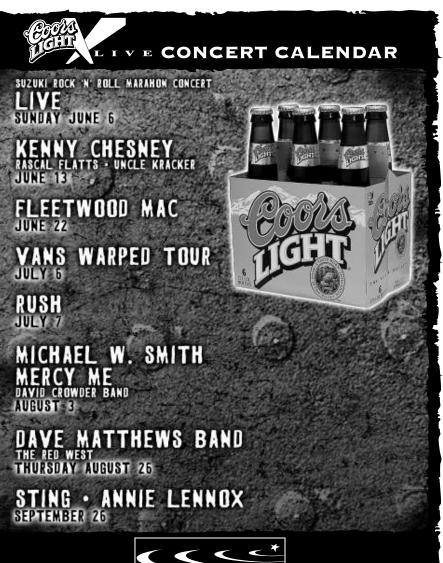
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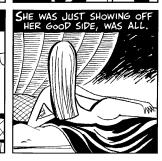












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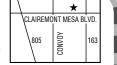
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News That Sounds Like a Joke

 Junior-lightweight boxer Nate Campbell, a heavy favorite to beat Robbie Peden in Temecula, Calif., in March, controlled the fight and began to taunt Peden in the fifth round, even dropping his hands to his side, daring Peden to hit him; Peden then immediately knocked Campbell out with one punch. ... In a December Boston Globe story about wild bears roaming Denville, N.J., animal-control officer Meredith Petrillo reported solving the problem of one bear's nesting ("denning") underneath a homeowner's deck: Petrillo advised the resident to have her husband urinate under the deck (after which the bear began denning elsewhere).

What Century Are We In?

 Catholic cardinal Gustaaf Ioos declared in January that only 5 to 10 percent of gays and lesbians are genuinely so and that the rest are "sexual perverts" (Brussels, Belgium). ... The commissioners of Rhea County, Tenn. (site of the 1925 Scopes "evolution" trial), voted 8-0 to ask the state to help them keep gays and lesbians out of the county (March). They rescinded the vote two days later, amid heavy criticism. ... In March, the Georgia House of Representatives voted

160-0 to prohibit piercing of female genitals, even of adult women eager for the procedure. One sponsor, Rep. Bill Heath, when told that some women seek such adornment, was incredulous: "What? I've never seen such a thing."

Government in Action

- Four months after the universally followed gubernatorial recall election in California, Ken Blodgett, the president of the Ochoco West Sanitary District Board (Crook County, Ore.), was recalled by the voters (39 votes to 29), with the main issue Blodgett's having stopped payment on a \$14.03 invoice for office supplies, which Blodgett said was not properly authorized.

 In March, the Saunders County (Neb.) Board of Supervisors reaffirmed that it would not reimburse Register of Deeds Don Clark for the price of a sandwich he ate while out of town on business, even though Clark insisted there was money in his office's budget to cover it. The board said its own rules supersede Clark's budget and instructed the county attorney (who seemed to oppose the board) to hire an outside lawyer to deal with the matter.

- And They Say Government Is Inefficient: When her 14-year-old son died in a farming accident last July in Beaumont, Texas (pronounced dead at 2:20 p.m. on the 31st), Melissa Devillier knew that the boy's Social Security survivor's benefits (from his dad's death in 1992) would be terminated, but government was startlingly swift to act. On Aug. 11, it told the mother that since the boy had not lived out the entire month of July, he didn't qualify for July benefits, and federal law required her to pay back the \$1025 July advance she had already received.

- Toronto, Ontario, artist Jason Kronewald, 29, creates claylike portraits of celebrities, but using hundreds of pieces of used chewing gum instead of clay, according to a March profile by Reuters news service. He said he doesn't chew, but he buys gum and asks his friends to chew it. "I'm not into picking it off seats in the theater. I like the gum to be mine." His "Gum Blondes" series includes Britney Spears and Pamela Ander-

 Another Toronto artist, Istvan Kantor (called "Canada's leading shock artist" by the New York Times), won one of the country's most prestigious awards in March even though he is best known for bloody performance-art scenes such as wearing the dripping carcasses of cats as a hat and posing himself in various positions to allow blood to drip from body apertures in a series that one critic said was a tribute to blood as "the spurting, contagious prima material of life.'

· A February BBC News profile touted Madras, India, artist Shihan Hussaini's dedication to using blood to paint 50 portraits of his hero, a Tamil Nadu state official named Javalalitha. At one point, Hussaini was drawing so much of his own blood that he had to hire a nurse.

Least Competent Criminals

- In Santa Fe, N.M., in March, after police recovered \$46,000 worth of jewelry near an abandoned safe in a ravine, they concluded that burglars had stolen the 180-pound safe from a nearby home, taken it down the road and tried to break it open, failed, and finally pushed it down the ravine...at which point it burst open (unbeknownst to them because they had left).

People Different From Us

- Corinth, Vt., farmer Chris Weathersbee's house was raided by state police in February, and 44 of his most sickly goats were seized; that left 70 still residing in his house, whose floors are covered with hay to a height of about two feet. Weathersbee, 63, told the Valley News (Lebanon, N.H.) that he started sleeping in the house in January because of the weather; before that he had slept in the barn with the goats that couldn't fit in the house. An educated man with a nimble mind, he denied that he is a hoarder and asked authorities for more time to find a home for his goats, since he believes that any confiscated by the state would be killed (or neutered, which he said violates animals' "right" to procreate).

Undignified Deaths

 After a bout of heavy drinking, a landscape worker riding home with his buddies fell to his death while trying to urinate out of the open door of their car at about 25 mph (Croesgoch, Wales, November). ... A 46-year-old man fell 300 feet to his death after stopping his car in the dark and searching for a place to urinate (Columbia, Calif., March).

In the Past Month...

 An Optimist Club (affiliated with Optimist International in St. Louis) opened in Baghdad, reported the New York Times. ... Brazilian legislator Antonio Iose de Moraes Souza was removed from office for allowing a physician-supporter to hand out free Viagra at his campaign rallies. ... From March 29 to April 6, there were no reported gunshot injuries in the New York City borough of the Bronx, the first such week in at least a decade and probably much longer, in that during the equivalent week ten years ago, there were 30 shootings and 12 murders.

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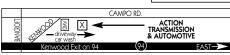


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RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY

Location: [2300] Seaside, Ocean Beach Time/Date: 11:00 a.m. on 4/20/04

Investigation: We contacted Mary K. [She] lives in a small house. She said that Saturday night, sometime around midnight, she heard noises near the front of the house. She thought the noises were raccoons or skunks.



On Sunday morning around 8:00 a.m., she found a bicycle and a suitcase next to her

trashcans. She thought the bicycle might belong to her son and moved it closer to the residence. She opened the suitcase and found expensive clothing and stereo equipment. She thought it might belong to a family friend, so she put the suitcase inside the trunk of her vehicle.

On Sunday, about 5:00 p.m., a male approached and knocked on her front door. He told her the bicvcle belonged to him and that he also wanted the suitcase. Mary K. didn't tell him she had the suitcase. She told the male the bicycle belonged to her son and that she was going to call the police. After the male left, she found her son's bicycle and thought the bicycle out front might be stolen [because] it was expensive looking.

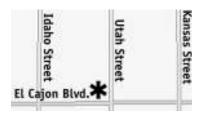
She put the bicycle on her porch and went to bed. On Monday morning at about 6:30 a.m. she found the bicycle was missing. She talked to some of her neighbors. They also told her that the male came to their residences looking for the suitcase. She said there have been three car burglaries recently around the neighborhood.

She described the male as white, early 20s, 5'11", 115, slim build, with scabs on his face as if he was using narcotics, full lips, wide eyes, medium voice. He was wearing a knit cap on his head.

This male told Mary K. that another male with blonde hair had slashed the soft top of a vehicle and taken the items and then sold them to him for \$40.

LEWD ACT IN PUBLIC

Location: [4300] Utah Street Time/Date: 11:59 p.m. on 4/22/04



Victim's Statement: Mihn C. said at about midnight the suspect knocked on C.'s door. C. answered the door and observed a very intoxicated white male standing [there]. C. said the suspect requested to come in and keep C. company. C. dismissed the man and shut the door.

C. said after about five minutes he again heard knocking on his door. The man had returned. C. told the man to go away [and] shut the door. After a few minutes. C. heard a noise. C. opened the door and observed the man masturbating. C. believes the suspect lives directly above him.

VIOLATING RESTRAINING ORDER

Location: [3800] Canon Street,

Point Loma Time/Date: 11:15 a.m. on 4/25/04



Investigation: Howard B. drove his vehicle within 100 vards of Michael S.'s home in violation of a restraining

order. B. and S. have active mutual restraining orders against one another. B. is a prior neighbor of S. B. has moved now [and] S. has filed nine other reports of B. violating the court order.

Statement: S. said he was leaving for work when he noticed B. driving his gray Mazda about 50 feet from S.'s home. S. has had an extensive problem with B. for three years. S.'s family is very afraid of B. S. felt B. might drive to S.'s daughter's school so he followed B. S. followed B. for about 2 miles on Chatsworth until he was sure B. was leaving the area.

MISSING PERSON

Location: 1401 Broadway, Downtown Time/Date: 8:00 p.m. on 3/5/04



Officer's Report: While working Central TRU, I spoke with Eduardo D. D. lives in Lake Elsinore with his brother and their respective families. D. told me his brother. Jesus, left last night to pick up his wife at an airport in Tijuana. Jesus left at about 8:00 p.m. in his truck. Jesus' wife called Eduardo at about midnight to say Jesus had not arrived yet. The wife also said she had spoken to Jesus on his cell phone about 9:30 p.m. At that time Jesus said he was only 45 minutes away. Eduardo attempted to reach Jesus on his cell without success. He called local police in Mexico, also without success. He

stated this is strange activity for Jesus and said he has never done anything like this or been in trouble with the law. A computer check came back negative on Jesus being in custody.

MISCELLANEOUS REPORT

Location: [4100] 36th Street Time/Date: 4:58 p.m. on 4/16/04



Officer's Report: Jenny P. is 18 years old and, per the family, has the mental capacity of a 6th grader. We met with the family...her sister Christine P. and her stepfather. Jenny recently met and married a man, Paul I... 31 years old. They live on 36th Street. Jenny recently left several messages on her mother's answering machine and cell phone. In the messages, Jenny said Paul L. has been threatening her and recently threw her out of his car, and pulled her hair. Jenny said in the messages that Paul had also threatened her with a knife. She said she wanted to go home. Christine told us her sister has been known to make up outlandish lies.

Christine wanted to check the address without the police first, fearing Paul L. would retaliate against Jenny. They checked the address and no one answered the door. [We] then checked the address, and it appeared no one was home.

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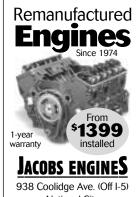
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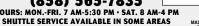
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Time and Lincolns

Long ago, when my cousin Virgie was 17 and I was a couple of years younger, she had a Lincoln Continental with custom hubcaps we called spinners. She took me cruising. I felt like a crown prince.

Nick Parli's Lincoln Town Car reminds me of those days. He says, "It kind of fell in my lap. I was hanging out with one of my friends, and he had this car and he said his mom was selling it the next day for \$2500. So I bought it."

"Lots of miles on it?" I ask. "Not hardly," Nick says. "Only 35,000 when I bought it."

"A dream car," I say, "something that old with so few miles."

"Yeah, it's the story of finding an old person's car. My friend's mom had recently bought it off an old man who couldn't drive anymore. He was the original owner. He'd had it all those years and had every receipt from every single thing he'd ever done. I have them now."

"And you wanted something that big?'

"Well, they've always been my favorite. My grandparents drive Cadillacs. It has more style than the new cars.'

"But how do you feel at the gas pump?"

"The tank's only 15 gallons," he says, "so I can fill it for about \$30. It gets about 12 miles to the gallon. I'm at the gas station a lot. But that's just part of the deal, paying for luxury. It has a 308 V-8 with an automatic [transmission]. Everything's power. The rearview mirrors are power. Seats are power. Windows. Power steering, power brakes. Power antenna. The air conditioning still works.

"It starts every time. All I've done is cosmetic things and maintenance, oil changes and hoses, and dropped the transmission pan, and changed out the fluid. I gave it a K&N air filter. Everything else was good.

"Some people don't understand why I drive it. At MiraCosta, where I go to college, I get a lot of looks. My friends love when I take them for a ride."

"They all want you to drive, when you go out, right?"

"Exactly. And I can get quite a few people in there."

"Have you modernized it at all?"

"A new stereo and new rims. Other than that it's stock."

I take another look at the shiny chrome wheels and think about Virgie again. If I could time travel, I'd go first to the summer of 1959, to a vacation at Warner Springs, when the jukebox played Elvis and Virgie taught me to

"Nice rims," I say. "Did they cost a bunch?

"Yeah, they did. Nine hundred dollars, using the old tires. The rims that came stock didn't look bad, but I had a lot of money at the time, so I bought

"I want to paint it black. All black



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"Oh, and I got the windows tinted, in back. I had to pay too much, almost \$400. There are 11 windows. I wanted limo tint all around, but they said I'd get pulled over, so I got just first-stage tint on the front."

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My sister Anita is a kind and generous person. She lives in Mammoth Lakes in California's eastern High Sierra. She has a challenging job that pays pretty well. At 47, Anita is not married and has no children. So, she spoils us, my husband Jack, my five kids, and me. Every year, she buys us lavish Christmas and birthday gifts. She has taken my daughters and me on extravagant trips to Knott's Berry Farm and Disneyland. Last weekend, Anita outdid herself.

Anita likes to travel and see plays. A month ago, she went to New York for a week and saw seven or eight Broadway shows. When she got home, she called me. "Anne," she said, "I had a great trip. I saw the best play I've

ever seen in my life."

Considering Anita has seen a dozen plays a year for the past ten or so years, I was impressed.

"It's called The Boy from Oz," she contin-"It's about Peter Allen. He was a singer/dancer/songwriter who was married to Liza Minnelli. The title role is played by Hugh Jackman."

"You mean the guy who plays Wolverine in X-Men and X-Men 2?" I asked.

"Exactly. He's amazing. I saw the show Wednesday, and I liked it so much I went back for the Saturday matinee."

"That's great."

"I've got a little proposition for you," Anita told me. Her voice grew conspiratorial. "I'm going back in three weeks to see the play again. I'm meeting Janice and Mike. They're flying up from Florida." Janice is Anita's best friend from college. Mike is Janice's husband. "I found a \$220 round-trip from L.A. If you pay for your flight, I'll buy your ticket to the play and take care of the hotel. We'll leave early Saturday morning and fly back Monday morning."

I looked at my calendar. Johnny and Angela both had softball games the Saturday I would be gone. Other than that, the weekend looked clear. As it happened, Jack was home for the afternoon. He sat at the dining-room table eating his lunch and reading the newspaper. I told him about Anita's proposition. "Can I go?" I asked.

"Sure," Jack answered.

'Are you sure?'

"Yep.

Which is how I found myself last Saturday morning sitting beside Anita on a plane bound for New York. We landed at about 2:30 and caught a cab into Manhattan. I have been to New York City only once before. Fifteen years ago when I was in law school, I spent a semester in Washington, D.C. One weekend in September, I drove up to New York to visit a girlfriend from college. I remember riding the subway and eating fresh, hot, powdered sugar doughnuts at a street fair. I remember riding the elevator to the top of the World Trade Center and spending an hour on the observation deck looking out to the far horizon.

Last Saturday, Anita and I checked into our hotel, a slightly shabby but comfortable place a half block off Times Square. While we waited for the elevator, the hotel's lone bellhop did his impersonation of Arnold Schwarzenegger singing show tunes. "OK-lahoma, vere ze vind comez sweeping down ze plainz.'

Anita and I laughed. We laughed harder when we saw our tiny hotel room. "This is what \$100 a night buys you in Manhattan," Anita said and chuckled.

"Look at the view," I said. Behind a heavy brocade curtain and a gray window, a tiny sliver of light shone down the alley from the street a half block away.

After we walked to the theater to pick up our tickets, we met Janice and Mike for dinner. At a packed, bustling Chinese restaurant, we ordered by number from an almost endless menu. We drank hot green tea and ate scallion pancakes and garlic salmon and jalapeño beef. When we'd finished dinner, we waded into the Saturday night crowd in Times Square. We watched the moving billboards and the curvilinear NASDAQ sign and the MTV building. At the theater, we slipped into our second-row seats and watched Hugh Jackman sing and dance and preen. He flirted with the audience. He made me forget I was a 42-year-old mother of five from a Southern California suburb. For two and a half hours, I felt like this terribly handsome man's sophisticated confidante.

Sunday, we went to Mass at Saint Malachy's, the Actor's Chapel. We ate breakfast at a sleek café called the Blue Fin and walked amongst the daffodils and blooming dogwood and cherry trees in Central Park. We spent a quick two hours wandering the Metropolitan Museum of Art, then headed back downtown to see The Boy from Oz again. Through a confusion over performance dates, Anita had ended up with tickets to both the Saturday evening and Sunday matinee performances. I didn't mind. A woman sitting behind me admitted she'd seen the show five times.

Monday morning, Anita and I rose at 4:00, packed, and caught a cab to the airport. We flew back to L.A. I was home in San Marcos in time to take Johnny to afternoon kindergarten and Ben to preschool. Jack looked tired. "I don't value what you do enough," he said, a little misty eyed. The boys hugged me hard. Jack gave me a kiss. To my weary eyes, Hugh Jackman had nothing on my three boys.

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