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Cat Devastation

Dear Diva, This is regarding your column from September 9 about giving away your beloved cats ("Diary of a Diva"). I have a few questions. Why is David choosing now to tell you he doesn't want cats? Why didn't he mention this in the beginning of your relationship before he had you so charmed? Also, why aren't you putting up more of an argument in favor of keeping them? Why are you so willing to do what he demands? It seems important here to question the motives of a man who so blithely begins your sharing your life together by breaking your heart. Now that he knows he can get you to give up something so dear to you, what's he going to do next? And how could you not enter into this living arrangement with a bitter heart? If David knows how much this is devastating you, I would call this emotional abuse and cut him loose. Maybe you should spend some time trying to figure out why you would consider staying with this man. Giving away your precious girls because a man doesn't want to deal with cat hair and scratched furniture doesn't strike me as very Diva-like behavior.

Name Withheld by Request Ramona

Pathetic Barbarella

I read with dismay the recent Barbarella column "A Difficult Sacrifice" ("Diary of a Diva," September 9) regarding her choosing between her boyfriend and the cats. She should hang her head on her desk and cry, because she is an affront to all pet owners. Her "girls" were there for her when she needed love and support and was lost. Now when she has her man, she caves because he doesn't like cats. I hope she keeps in mind that older cats don't do well when they are discarded by their owners and may not adjust well to new surroundings. Pets are a commitment, and I'm appalled that she would give in to a brutish boyfriend that refuses to compromise. If it was his beloved dog, I doubt he would be so quick to ditch his pet. Women like Barbarella are weak and pathetic. If she was allergic, why the hell did she get cats in the first place? As a tenyear cat owner of two who have moved across the country with me and have been there for me through thick and thin, I'm disgusted. Why don't you get a goldfish? You can just flush it down the toilet when it doesn't fit into your lifestyle. Diane

Hillcrest

Lost Respect

With the retirement of Jonathan Saville, the Reader's longtime perceptive arts critic, San Diego is now without an authoritative voice to evaluate both visiting and local classical musical offerings. Jonathan could be depended on to have prepared in advance, researching both the music and the performers, and then to craft a well-written evaluation of the evening's entirety. He was a critic that musicians liked to read, not necessarily in total agreement, to get an insightful viewpoint, sometimes quite humorously stated. He was respected by everyone.

> Ronald Goldman Bonita

Defensive Planners

I am writing to you in response to the letter to the editor from "Name Withheld by Request via e-mail," which was published in the September 9 edition of the *Reader*.

Your title of the letter was "Disloyal Madaffer," and it's a potpourri of allegations regarding the councilmember, the Mission Times Courier, and projects mainly in the Navajo Communities, in addition to the Rolando area. As the president of the Navajo Community Planners, Inc. (NCPI), I specifically address and take exception to the general statement that Mr. Madaffer has a "cozy relationship with the Navajo Community Planners," presumably meaning that we take our marching orcontinued on page 76

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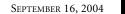
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John, George, Alex, and Sol As John Kerry and George W. Bush conduct



campaign warfare over their respective service records and how they are portrayed by those socalled Section 527 political action committees, monied forces on both sides show no signs of calling a truce. Chargers owner Alex Spanos got

Sol Price his share of ink when he

pledged \$5 million to the "Progress for America Voter Fund," a GOP-leaning group that has vowed to spend at least \$75 million on a series of Kerry hits. Less noticed has been San Diego's own Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach,

the downtown law firm headed by Rancho Santa Fe's Bill Lerach. At last report, the San Diego branch of the firm, which specializes in suing corporate managers over alleged securities violations, has given a total of \$850,000 to a 527 outfit called the "Coalition to



Bill Lerach

Defend the American Dream." This summer the New York Sun reported that the committee, which is heavily backed by labor unions as well as plaintiffs' lawyers, is planning to dump millions of dollars into radio spots in battleground states bashing the Bush administration's unemployment record. In April, the Lerach firm, which split from its New York branch in May, also gave \$25,000 to Focus South Dakota, Inc., whose mission is to help save the seat of embattled Democratic senate minority leader Tom Daschle. Another liberal 527 group drawing big local money is the "ACT Now PAC," which has so far raised \$26 million to "support candidates and committees at the national, state, and local levels and to support national voter mobilization efforts." The biggest donor is George Soros, the Greekborn commodities magnate and Bush critic. La Jolla developer Sol Price kicked in \$100,000, and Del Mar real estate investor and civic activist David Winkler gave \$20,000. San Diego's Lawrence Hess, another real estate investor, contributed \$35,000.

Metrosexuals As the November election approaches, the California League of Women Voters has posted an online guide to candidates on its SmartVoter.org website. Mayor Dick Murphy is well represented with

his own page on the site, complete with beaming photo. Another Murphy page features endorsements, including those from ex-mayor and senator Pete Wilson; indicted city councilmembers Ralph Inzunza and

Dick Murphy Michael Zucchet; the

late indicted councilman Charles Lewis; a group of gays, lesbians, bisexuals, and transexuals; the Associated General Contractors; county Republicans; and a cast of hundreds more, many of them city-hall lobbyists. On yet another page, Murphy claims credit for such achievements as "eliminating the Chargers ticket guarantee" and reducing sewage spills. The website explains that the laudatory material was furnished by the mayor and is not vouched for by the League of Women Voters. Murphy's rival, Ron Roberts, apparently didn't bother to send anything in at all. His short one-line listing, sans even a photo, simply says "Occupation: County Supervisor" ... It's back to school at local universities, and for those students who aren't careful, it's also a return to sexually transmitted diseases. In response to a recent public-records act request, UCSD reported that cases of human papilloma virus - otherwise known as genital warts - diagnosed at its student health clinic have been up two years in a row: 79 in fiscal year 2002, 81 in fiscal '03, and 89 in '04. Diagnoses in other categories have been both up and down. There were 24 chlamydia cases in '02, 38 in '03, and 21 in '04. In '02, 6 cases of gonorrhea were reported; in '03, there were 9 cases, and in '04 just 4. The number of students discovered by the clinic to be suffering from herpes simplex virus was 80 in '02, 84 in '03, and down to 66 in '04. No syphilis was reported ... Sentencing of Cheetahs strip club owner Mike Galardi, who pleaded guilty in that city council bribery case, has been continued a month, from December 15 to January 10.

Kerry favors San Diego's city ethics commission conducted its annual random drawing to determine which two city councilmembers would face an audit of their campaign funds, and - wouldn't you know it? -Councilman Ralph Inzunza, already facing trial in the Cheetahs bribery case, was picked. Just one problem: the FBI has already made off with his campaign filing material, so the city review will reportedly have to await its return. Councilwoman Donna Frye drew the other short straw. The audit found that her 2002 reelection committee had violated the law by accepting five contributions over the \$250 limit and five contributions from corporations or law partnerships. Only individuals may give under city law. Frye's people maintained those were only technical violations, according to the audit. ... La Jollan Lynn Schenk — who has been both a congresswoman and chief of staff to former governor Gray Davis - and Midge Costanza - onetime assistant to president Jimmy Carter ---are co-chairs of the new California Women for Kerry.

- Matt Potter

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Something Is Very, **Very Wrong**

By Don Bauder

hat's causing the city's death rattle? Rattlesnakes. Not naïve bunglers. A malpractice suit that the pension system

Michael Conger

Diann Shipione

ers juicy city pensions.

The Federal Bureau of In-

vestigation is now probing the

2002 machinations, says at-

torney Michael Conger, who

has taken the pension board

to court successfully and was

interviewed by FBI agents.

(This is separate from the fed-

eral investigations of the city's

proved by the city council and

pension board in November

of 2002, which prolonged the

underfunding of the pension

system and at the same time

boosted employee benefits

and granted labor-union lead-

Ron Saathoff

Frederick Pierce

filed against its former lawyer is the epitome of finger-pointing to cover up double-dealing that worsened the city's pension woes. Officials of the San Diego City Employees' Retirement System are trying



Robert Blum



Lawrence Grissom

to show they are blameless. Make that shameless.

On June 25, the retirement system filed a stealth mea *culpa* suit against its former attorney, San Francisco's Robert Blum, and his associates. The suit blames the lawyers for giving bad advice on a city government plan, ap-

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misleading bond prospectuses.) In the spring of 2002, the city, facing a huge balloon payment to put more funds in the pension system, "went to the labor unions and said, 'We will give you more pension benefits, but it's contingent on your getting the pension board to agree on continued underfunding,' "says Conger. Six labor-union representatives were on the pension board. Those who worked for the city got huge retirementbenefit boosts. Those who didn't were given city pensions. Ron Saathoff, head of the firefighters, got a 45 percent boost; he makes \$80,000 a year as a fire captain and will enjoy a \$116,000 annual pension, says Conger. Saathoff, a pension-board member, "shepherded the underfunding scheme through the pension board," says Conger. "The city got the unions' backing for the underfunding. One washed the other in this unholy bath," says Conger. Saathoff refuses comment. So does the FBI. In June of 2002, when the city was drawing the water for this "unholy bath," Blum wrote the retirement board and stated strongly that the proposal would not pass legal muster. Then, inexplicably, in November he wrote a second letter reversing his position. continued on page 6

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Pols Sabotage Coronado Train Plan

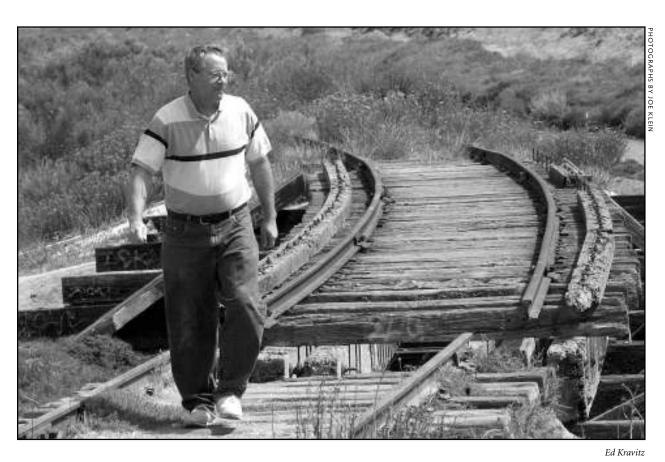
By Joe Deegan

funny thing has been happening to the old Coronado Branch Railroad on its way to recognition as a historical landmark.

The California Historical Resources Commission designated the rail historic in the fall of 2001. A year later the commission changed its mind. Railroad preservationists think that pressure from South Bay politicos got to the board. This summer, county supervisor and former Chula Vista councilman Greg Cox petitioned the San Diego City Council to overturn the rail's historic designation by the city's Historic Resources Board. At its September 7 session, the council granted Cox's request by a 7-1 vote, overriding the recommendation of city manager P. Lamont Ewell to retain the historic status. Only councilwoman Donna Frye voted against the reversal.

In 2001 the City of Chula Vista and the San Diego Port District were pushing to pave over some of the Coro-

nado Branch tracks so that a bayfront shopping center and parking lot could be built without interference. This summer, however, Save Our Heritage Organisation won a lawsuit against the port and the Metropolitan Transit Development Board that prevents paving over the tracks. The issue in the current round of fighting is whether bike riders and walkers can share with trains the railroad's old right-ofway as it passes through the South San Diego Bay National Wildlife Refuge at the tip of San Diego Bay. Originally built in 1888, the Coronado Branch, also known as the Belt Line, ran from downtown San Diego near the Santa Fe Depot to the southern tip of San Diego Bay. From there it rounded the bay and continued north along the Strand to Coronado. According to Richard V.



Dodge's book, *Rails of the Silvergate*, John D. Spreckels purchased the line and the Hotel Del Coronado in the 1890s. He even lived in the hotel for a while and commuted by train to his office in downtown San Diego.

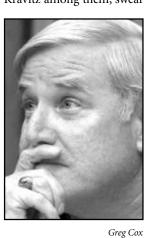
Although the Coronado Branch is now defunct, railroad aficionados would like to see trains run on its tracks again. For several years, supervisor Cox has promoted use of the railroad's right-ofway for the Bayshore Bike Trail in the wildlife reserve. He thinks that the bike path would be incompatible with trains running on adjacent tracks. Businessman Ed Kravitz is an ardent believer in future use of the railroad. He hopes his company, San Diego Railway Partners, can operate a restaurant on trains that ply the line, allowing diners to enjoy both their fare and views of the bay and marshlands to the west. But he thinks that bayfront development supporters in the South Bay are doing everything they can to thwart any use of the railroad. "Everybody is trying to take a piece out of it to make it inoperable," says Kravitz, who sees Cox's bike path as taking one of the pieces.

Cox argues that use of a foot and bike path would be more environmentally friendly than both the path

and trains running through the wildlife reserve. The appeal to environmental concerns by a South Bay development supporter is an irony worth noting. But Cox has long supported the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's nature reserve complex in San Diego County. And as a city councilman, he was instrumental in creating the Chula Vista Nature Reserve on the bay front. Early this year Cox sent a letter to Mendel Stewart, project director for the San Diego National Wildlife Refuge Complex, seeking support. The letter asked for answers to several questions about the Coronado Branch right-ofway's use by trains and a bike path in the wildlife refuge. On January 27 Stewart wrote Cox back, saying that doubling use of the right-of-way would cause greater harm to the reserve's wildlife habitat than use by the bike trail alone. Cox submitted Stewart's letter to the San Diego City Council for its September 7 deliberation over whether to revoke the Coronado Branch's historic designation. The mayors of Coronado and Imperial Beach wrote letters to the council supporting Cox's position, too. Complicating matters, however, Fish and Wildlife's Stewart agreed to

meet with Ed Kravitz and

others on February 24 to discuss the environmental impact of trains running through the wildlife refuge. Several of those in attendance at that meeting, Kravitz among them, swear



that Stewart told them he believed trains would cause the refuge less harm than bikers and walkers. The wildlife refuge is home to several endangered bird species, including the least tern and piping plover. It also supports many other shorebirds and migrating birds on the global north–south Pacific flyway.

Stewart tells me he does not remember saying it would be better to have either trains or bike riders and walkers in the South San Diego Bay Wildlife Reserve. "I doubt I would have said anything like that," he recalls. "I try to stay neutral between the advocates of each." But Stewart does oppose their dual activity in the reserve, which is what his letter to Cox said in the first place. Mitchell Beauchamp, former



Bruce Coons

and president of Pacific Southwest Biological Services, attended the February 24 meeting and feels sure that Stewart fretted more about walkers than trains. People will leave the path or let their dogs loose, thereby frightening the birds, according to Beauchamp. He tells me a story about Alpine $\stackrel{\circ}{\mathbb{B}}$ resident Tom Banks, who carried a card saying "Have " Mule, Will Travel." "Banks used to ride his mule in the $\frac{1}{2}$ backcountry of East County, of and the animals would see his four-legged creature and think nothing of it. But humans on foot scare them $\frac{100}{20}$







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Very, very wrong

continued from page By giving his blessings to the deal in his November letter, Blum was guilty of "inten-

tional misrepresentation, de-

ceit, and concealment" that cost the pension system big bucks, it charges in the superior-court suit.

Something happened between June and November 2002 to make Blum switch positions. But only insiders know what happened because legal maneuvering by the pension system blocks fact-finding. The suit against Blum has not been served, although legally, it should have been presented to the defendants in 60 days. Technically, the board

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could be sanctioned for late service. "It is up to the court to police that," says Blum's Los Angeles-based attorney.

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Meanwhile, because Blum was once its lawyer, the pension system is asserting attorney-client privilege. Thus, a

gag order is in effect. So, Blum's attorney says he can't talk. Blum won't talk. The pension system refers calls to the Orange County law firm that filed the lawsuit. But it's not responding.

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CITY LIGH underfunding passed the pension board November 15, 2002, and the city council three days later, despite predictions by pension-board member Diann Shipione that the city and its retirement system were headed over a financial cliff. She was also critical of the quid pro quo between the city and its laborunion leaders. Since 1996, when it was searching for money to fund the Republican convention, the city had been underfunding the pension system as one of several dubious methods to balance budgets put out of kilter by corporate welfare schemes. But the city had to get permission of the pension board, dominated by employees and their union leaders. The board would only agree if it got fatter benefits. It was a ticket to perdition.

Leading up to the November 2002 votes, councilmembers and retirement system board members were told that Shipione was off base and that the system was overflowing with liquidity. In April of 2002, Lawrence Grissom, administrator of the retirement system, exulted, "If we never made another dime in income, we would be able to pay retirement benefits for the next 26 years." In July of 2002, deputy city manager Bruce Herring said the same thing.

When the council took up the pension issue, "There was not much discussion of the underfunding," says councilmember Donna Frye. "Had Diann Shipione not shown up, the issue wouldn't have been considered. After Diann raised the issues, the conventional wisdom was that she didn't know what she was talking about, and everything was fine." Frye was the only councilmember who sided with Shipione and voted against the measure. Shipione was one of only two on the pension board to vote against it.

"The 2002 vote was a cutand-run deal by the mayor and council," says Shipione. "They cut a billion-dollar benefits increase in exchange for pension underfunding, and then they ran like the dickens."

Blum saw the possibility of such shenanigans in his June 2002 letter to the board. At the time, the city's pension plan had a floor: if the funding ra-



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tio fell below 82.3 percent, the city would have to toss in a bundle of money. The city wanted to lower the floor to 75 percent but wouldn't commit to making up the difference quickly if the ratio fell below the floor. Observed Blum incisively,"The safeguard floor is not a safeguard precisely because the city has asked that it be lowered." He went on to say that in any case, the funding ratio "is an inappropriate basis for setting a funding policy."

He stated that San Diego's municipal code assigns the pension board responsibility for making sure contributions to the pension fund are made on an actuarial basis (although that hadn't been done for at least six years). He opposed any notion that "sound actuarial principles should be modified to accommodate benefit increases." He noted that courts are guided by the **Government Finance Officers** Association principle that pension-fund contributions

should be made on an actuarial and timely basis. He cited a state appellate court decision that emphasized, "The courts have made it clear that an actuarially sound, annual contribution is the key element providing for the integrity and soundness of a retirement fund."

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Then came his November letter. Astonishingly, Blum said continued underfunding was okay, as long as the city got back to full actuarial funding by 2009. He didn't mention the municipal code's requirement for actuarial funding. He omitted the appellate court's call for actuarial funding. He didn't mention the guiding principle of the Government Finance Officers Association.

So two years later, as San Diego teetered on the brink, the pension board sued him for malpractice. But that was a month after Conger had already done so, in a suit chiding the pension board for being "unwilling to prosecute this action." Says Conger, "I dragged them kicking and screaming into the church."

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Conger believes that the pension board is trying to control his lawsuit. "They don't want me digging around inside their files. They ultimately will say I don't have standing to sue." Last year, Conger filed several suits against the city and pension board, saying the underfunding was illegal. In a settlement, the city agreed to plunk more money into the system and accelerate the move to full actuarial funding, "but those contributions still fall short of what is needed," says Shipione.

Blum "pointed out in June that the city was breaking the law, but that opinion wasn't in the second letter," says Conger, noting that the pension system won't permit anyone to find "how they got him to change from 'Hell, no!' to 'Hell, yes!' " Blum is "extremely competent. Something is very, very seriously wrong."

Here's the capper. On July 14 of this year, three weeks *after* the pension board filed suit to heap all the blame on its former lawyer, pension-board president Frederick W. Pierce IV declared on the op-ed pages of the *Union-Tribune*, "The retirement system board has performed its duties to the letter and the spirit of the law."

Harrumphs Conger, "Pierce has already said, 'We screwed up, and it's the lawyer's fault,' then almost a month later he says, 'We complied with the letter and spirit of the law.' Either he is lying in the op-ed piece, or the board is lying in the lawsuit."

But Pierce isn't talking. Like others, he did not respond to a request for comment.

Coronado train plan

away," says Beauchamp. Kravitz and Bob Recks expressed a more visceral reaction to the letter Cox s would end up using before ber the San Diego City Council. Recks describes himself as "only a peon who is a member of Pacific Southwest Railroad Museum [in La ^{So} Mesa]." In a recent e-mail to Ö Stewart, he wrote, "What we San understood you to say ₽ February 24 [was] that the

bike path is the greatest threat. Trains need that track, a bike needs a street, and you don't need Cox telling you otherwise." Kravitz sent Stewart his own e-mail, saying, "I know that you were pressured to sub-

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mit that letter, and I'm pretty sure somebody else wrote the original draft.... Greg Cox does not sign your paycheck," wrote Kravitz.

One person who was at the February 24 meeting with Stewart but does not remember him taking sides is Lew Wolfgang, vice president of the Pacific Southwest Railroad Museum and chair of its Coronado Branch committee. He acknowledges that Ed Kravitz may not have the most winning of ways,

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often sending confusing emails to anyone he thinks will help the railroad preservation cause. "He goes off on tangents, and he doesn't have good follow-through with paperwork, things like business plans," according to

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Wolfgang. "But Ed's heart is in the right place, and he has lots of good ideas." Wolfgang and Kravitz agree that a revival of old trains on the Coronado Branch line would increase San Diego's historical tourism, an indus-

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same way it contracts out to the trolley for its service," says Wolfgang.

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Mitchell Beauchamp would like to see the Coronado Branch used for freight transport as well. Currently he is working with Union Pacific to move freight in and out of the South Bay on the Carrizo Gorge Railway from Plaster City in Imperial Valley. It doesn't make sense, he thinks, for San Diego to destroy the possibility of also shipping freight

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north and south on the Coronado Branch. All that railroad preservationists want is to share the Coronado Branch right-of-way. "This is an easy thing to solve," says Bruce Coons, director of Save Our Heritage Organisation. Along the railroad right-of-way, the berm that grounds the tracks would have to be widened to accommodate both trains

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environmental impact and bicycles. New pilings Mendel Stewart says would supporting the old railroad's result from widening the trestles would need to be berm is that it would create more shadows in the wildlife reserve. And Coons doesn't think that amounts to much of an impact. "The bike trail is important, but it doesn't have to be one or the other," says Coons, who cannot understand why Supervisor Cox is being so stubborn about the issue. He also thinks that sooner or later Cox will have to quit avoiding the law. The California Environmental Quality Act requires that any discretionary public project, such as the Bayshore Bike Trail, must give an environmental impact report to show that it does not harm

historic, commercial, or scenic resources. Cox has said he doesn't believe the Coronado Branch is historic. But Coons is sure he will eventually prevail in demonstrating that the railroad is a historic resource.

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Coons notes, too, that the Pacific Railroad Act, signed in the 1860s by Abe Lincoln, would protect the right of railroad activity on the Coronado Branch from the restrictions of any environmental laws, which were passed later. If push came to shove, rights to operate on the rail's right-of-way could be "grandfathered" into the older railroad act, according to Coons. The San Diego City Council's decision to overturn the Coronado Branch's historic status was a "handshake between cities," according to Coons. "But the battle is about to move from the political to the legal arena," he says. I ask Coons if he can envision a time when trains will ever again run the entire length of the Coronado Branch. Thinking about the political opposition to the railroad so far, he says, "Probably not in our lifetime. Still, one can imagine a trolley sometime g in the future that runs from downtown San Diego all the way to Coronado. It's im-portant to keep our trans-portation options open," says be Coons. "In Los Angeles they $\frac{1}{5}$ let developers get rid of a bunch of tracks, and now the μ city is paying the price."



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I've been wondering about the current, regular winner of those eat-as-much-as-you-can contests on Coney Island. He's a skinny Japanese guy. Yet year after year he stuffs away more hotdogs into his gullet. I'm wondering, does he "set up" his digestive system by first consuming any of various digestive enzymes? Bromelian? Papain, etc.? Are there any rules about this?

— Envious and curious, San Diego

Rules? We don't need no stinkin' rules. Except the obvious: throw up, you're out. And digestive enzymes won't do you much good when what you'll have to do to beat the current record holder (Takeru Kobayashi) is cram 54 Nathan's dogs, with buns, into your gullet in 12 minutes. Not much digesting going on there. The International Federation of Competitive Eating doesn't word it this way, but best we can tell, it's a Zen thing. Gray matter over gut. The IFCE fancies itself the maitre d' of munch-offs; the outfit is basically a PR group that helps people organize and publicize eating contests to promote whatever they're promoting — cereal competitions, meat meets, bagel battles, tomato tournaments. They oversee the Nathan's event every year.

So what's on the training table of gastronomic athletes? Lots of water and high-fiber veggies like celery. Anything that will stretch your stomach capacity for the day of the event. Normally, a stomach can hold about a quart. It will increase temporarily but returns to its normal size fairly quickly. The big misconception is that skinny people have smaller stomachs, therefore can't eat as much. Not true. So the fact that Kobayashi weighs only 144 pounds just means that he doesn't eat 54 hot dogs every day. He can do it once a year if he does some stomach stretching and then, during the competition, finds whatever that head space is where he can keep his hands and jaw moving as fast as possible and can keep his throat from closing, Nature's way of telling us we're making pigs of ourselves.

A couple of years ago, Kobayashi went bun-to-bun with William "Refrigerator" Perry. Perry could barely eat 4 dogs, 48 fewer than Kobayashi. Not that he didn't have the gut, he just didn't have the mental toughness. It's Zen, baby, Zen.

Hey: Do goldfish blink?

— Maria, Escondido

Now, Maria, you haven't been doing that Three Stooges eye-poke at your pet, have you? Tsktsk. Fish don't have eyelids. No eyelids, no blinking. To make up for that, Nature gave fish hundreds and hundreds of taste buds. And a wonderful sense of the absurd.

The Final Word (it begins with H)

Okay. This is the official last entry into our "What does the *H* stand for in Jesus H. Christ" dialog. I'm genuinely sorry I started this. From someone who sends anonymous e-mails, probably from the office computer, comes "Anyone who has ever studied genetics knows that the *H* stands for haploid!" But really, the most irritating thing about this wiseguy response is the danged smiley-face emoticon at the end. That colon-dash-close parens thing. My response? @#!*!#:-(

Madison Square Garden: Round 2

Cousin Typhanee Alice hopes one day to play Madison Square Garden. She's studying to be a ring card girl. Two semesters of plastic surgery plus three lab credits in "The Kinesiology of Spiked Heels." She's out on the patio now, practicing for finals. So let's ring the bell to start the I-should-have-seen-this-coming round 2 of comments on last week's history of Madison Square Garden. From Lee Stevens of Solana Beach:

Your research gnomes fell asleep around the turn of the 19th Century. At that time, Madison Square Garden was an international center of bike racing on its wooden indoor velodrome. One of the most popular events was the six-day endurance race. Another well-known twoman-team race is still promoted at Morley Field in SD; it's known as the Madison. In 1899 the U.S. crowned a world champion in bicycle racing in Madison Square Garden, Major Taylor. He was the second African-American world champion in U.S. sports history, after George Dixon, who won the bantamweight boxing crown in 1890.

Oops. Sorry, gotta go. Cousin Typhanee just wandered into traffic.

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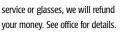
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Horton Plaza Bag Limit

inishing with Seda McClurg, licensed falconer, and Charlie Kaiser, vice president of the California Hawking Club. We are sitting underneath an oak tree behind the club's Birds of Prey exhibit at the Alameda County Fair. Club members have brought their raptors - Harris hawks, two golden eagles, red-tailed hawks, peregrine falcons, American kestrel, great horned owl, gyrfalcon - to use as visual bait, enticing passersby to stay on a moment and make acquaintance with flying predators.

I slurp on an ice cube, request a definition of falconry. Kaiser says, "The sport of hunting wild game with a trained bird of prey.'

"Are your birds hunting their natural food?" "A bird in the wild might go after a lot of mice, gophers, rats," Kaiser says. "We're going after jackrabbits, cottontail, quail...

"So, you eat the quail...

Seda jumps in, "Absolutely. Pheasant, duck, quail. We had pheasant for dinner yesterday. One of our guys caught them. Cooked up four.'

Instead of visualizing a juicy quail dripping in butter, I am set upon by an ugly, dark vision. "Department of Fish and Game. They must have rules for vou.'

Seda says, "We are 100 percent regulated by not only California Fish and Game, but also Federal Fish and Wildlife. We have to hold the same hunting license and duck stamp and game stamp and everything else every other hunter has to have because she is," Seda nods toward her Harris hawk, "my gun."

"Are your hunting seasons the same as gun hunters?"

"A little different," Kaiser says. "We have year-round jackrabbit. We have three months for cottontails, we get an extra month and a half on pheasant, an extra week on ducks. Our bag limits are smaller in some situations, larger in others."

"How about hunting areas? I assume you have conflicts with hunters and guns?" Kaiser says, "Yes, but we can go to a lot of

places that gun hunters cannot. I can hunt with my hawk inside city limits. Gun hunters can't discharge firearms in city limits."

Pity. "Which raptors do you recommend for rentice falconers?'

"Depends where you live. Find a bird that fits the area you're in and the game you have available. If you live in a wide open area and you've got chucker and sage grouse to hunt, get a big falcon. If you're flying in downtown Sacramento, you need a red-tail hawk. Or, if you live in Los Angeles, you can hunt starlings and sparrows behind McDonald's with a sharp-shinned hawk or a kestrel."

"People actually do this?"

Seda says, "Absolutely. You can hunt starlings and sparrows at McDonald's or whatever the local foodmart is."

I'll never look at Horton Plaza in the same way. "When I was a kid and hunted, the best part of it was getting ready for the trip and camping out. Falconry sounds more like a day outing.

Seda says, "It's an everyday part of your life. If I wanted to, I could hunt jackrabbit every day of the year. This is not a hobby."

"Where do you hunt? Is there a place you can walk to from where you live?"

"No. Most of it's driving, 15 minutes to two hours. You load up the bird, load up your equipment, put the telemetry on the bird, get in the car and drive. You find a spot, get out of the car, put on all the equipment, put on your hunting vest, get the bird out, and put up the keeper. A lot of places don't have trees, so you carry around a keeper, which is a portable tree. You put the bird on the keeper and go hunting. Sometimes it's over in five minutes; sometimes it's eight hours and you have nothing to show for it."

Kaiser adds, "You have to have a scale to weigh your bird."

"Whv?" "These birds will only hunt when they're hungry. In the wild, birds of prey do not hunt unless they're hungry. We have to figure out when the bird is hungry in order to hunt."

"There's a line between the extreme athlete," Seda says, "which is what we want, and a couch potato. You have to figure out where the balance

"You're talking about grams."

Kaiser says, "I have a male Harris hawk and his flight window is about eight grams. A bird like a kestrel [sparrow hawk] might have one gram ... Seda, "Actually, half a gram."

Kaiser continues, "We weigh the bird. We figure out by trial and error until we know they're hungry, but athletic. So, we weigh them and we measure out the amount of food they get. We consider factors like, what's the weather, how much exercise did he get yesterday? If I give the bird 40 grams now, by two o'clock tomorrow, when it's supposed to be 60 degrees, will he be ready to go? There's a lot of variables in there, so you chart everything; you keep a lot of notes...?

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"The charismatic roots in this parish go way back. In the late 1970s, Father Dennis Bennett from Seattle, the man who was really responsible for the charismatic renewal movement in the Episcopal Church, used to come here and give workshops and lectures."

Last week, Father James Rains, who's served for the past five years as rector at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in La Mesa, talked with me about the spiritual history of his parish. I asked about his experience of the charismatic renewal movement.

"That really began in the early 1980s when I was rector at Trinity Episcopal Church in Lewiston, Maine. It was a dying parish when I got there. I tried 'doing church' in the Episcopal tradition and was successful to a degree. We became a very busy parish, but there was no life. Then I read Dennis Bennett's book, Nine O'clock in the Morning, and I realized something was missing in my life. When I received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, I realized that the Holy Spirit in the Book of Acts was a real supernatural power. I began to move away from the more external aspects

of religion and started concentrating on worship and prayer."

St. Andrew's architecture is '50s modernist: pale brick walls, a vaulted ceiling of bleached pine. The parish's worship is Anglo-Catholic. Last Sunday morning, while I waited for the 10:30 a.m. "contemporary" service to begin, I noticed that most of the 50 people who entered the sanctuary genuflected toward the Tabernacle that sat at the High Altar's center. During the recitation of the Nicene Creed, many people bowed when saying, "We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ." They genuflected when saying, "by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man." Reverend Rains's celebration of the Holy Eucharist included the ringing of the Sanctus bell. ("We use incense on holidays," Reverend Rains told me after the service.)

An organist and eight-member choir accompanied last Sunday's hymns. The four were, like the morning's first, "Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing," written in the early 19th Century. A

third or so of the congregation held their hands up, charismatic-style, while singing these hymns. Father Rains based his sermon, "What It

Means to Be a Member of the Church," on Eph-esians 2:19, "Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God."

"You're not on your own," Reverend Rains told his parish. "While your relationship to God is personal, it isn't private. Through your faith, you are connected to every other believer. Your church membership isn't simply a matter of adding your name to a roll. You are a vital organ of a living body. We need to recover the biblical concept of 'belonging.' As part of Christ's body, you were created. You must be attached to a living local church, and you must derive your meaning from the body as a whole. Amputated from this body, you wouldn't amount to much. Like any other amputated organ, you would shrivel and die.

The person who says 'I don't need the Church' is either ignorant or arrogant. The

Church is the Bride of Christ. I'm sure you can't imagine saying to Jesus, 'I love you, but I hate your bride.' Many Christians use the Church without loving it. They take from the Church without giving anything back. But the Church is your family. Belonging to the Church family identifies you as a believer. Participation in the Church family moves you out of selfcentered isolation and teaches you to love in a way that comes only through regular contact with the real and imperfect. God wants you to love real people. You are called to love imperfect sinners in the same way that God does."

After the service, the parish's youth group served cinnamon rolls and pecan rolls on the patio. Reverend Rains invited me back into the sanctuary to talk. I asked if anyone in his parish ever spoke in tongues during the liturgy. "Oh, no. That's a

private language for prayer. It's something you would use on your own, or it might be spoken very softly during a healing service.

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"The interesting thing right now in the Episcopal Church is that the charismatic renewal movement and the Anglo-Catholics and the evangelicals are starting to flow together. This is in part a response to the installation of the openly gay bishop in New Hampshire. These different streams within the Church are finding common ground.'

But did this mean that Father Rains was prepared to leave his denomination, the Episcopal Church in the United States of America?

"Oh, no," he said. "That's not something I or this parish would want to do. I don't intend to split, although quite a few of the evangelicals are setting out on their own. I've been an Episcopal priest for 36 years. While I might be uncomfortable with some of the things that are happening in the Church, I would never break from it."

- Abe Opincar

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Dear Saffron,

My husband's law partner is a guy I'll call Jake. The two went to law school together. I'm not crazy about Jake, but I try to respect my husband's long history with him as well as their business relationship. I've seen Jake go through many girlfriends and am not surprised he hasn't found the right woman. He's one difficult guy. Rather self-centered. Apparently he's a great lawyer and a tireless worker. My husband says, yes, Jake has faults, but he has virtues too and has had a hard life. Jake had a whirlwind Internet romance with a woman (she's 34) who lives on the East Coast. They've known each other for three months and spent two weekends together when she flew out here to be with him. Now they plan to move in together. She is selling her condo in New York and will move into Jake's very nice house. My husband and I went to dinner with Jake and he proudly told us that part of the "deal" for this lady moving in with him is that she has to join a gym when she gets here and he is going to pay for two kinds of plastic surgery for her (breast enlargement and some sort of face-lift he thinks she needs) because he requires her to be "toned and super foxy." She readily agreed to this, he says. I almost choked on my chicken wing. I briefly saw this woman on one of her visits here and she doesn't need plastic surgery. She looks very good. I think Jake is a slime for manipulating this woman into getting unnecessary plastic surgery as a condition of their relationship and I'd like to call her up right now and tell her so. My husband agrees that this situation is kind of creepy but begs me to stay out of it.

APPALLED IN NATIONAL CITY

Dear Appalled,

This is a tough question for me. It pits my feminist leanings against my strong views about respecting people's privacy. I do think it's sad that so many healthy, goodlooking women feel they must undergo cosmetic surgery to be attractive and acceptable to men, but this is so pervasive in our culture that if a woman wants to make that choice, that's her right. Maybe I'll feel differently about this issue when I hit 30. But this is my view at the moment, from the relative safety of my 20s. It could be that this woman really wanted cosmetic surgery and she thinks Jake is her knight in shining armor for being willing to bankroll it. Because the lady in question is not a friend or relative, but a virtual stranger, I don't think it's appropriate for you to call her up and jump in uninvited to advise her on this. I appreciate your sisterly concern,

and if an opportunity presents itself after she moves to San Diego and you get to know each other a little better, you could talk about it and find out what her feelings are. If she tells you what she's planning to do, you could ask her if she really wants to go through with this or tell her you think she looks terrific as is. Otherwise, regrettable as this "bargain" sounds, I'm not sure it's your business unless somewhere down the line she confides in you and seeks your feedback. As you point out, she is a grown-up. Any readers who've considered or had cosmetic surgery want to share their thoughts?

Dear Saffron,

I am responding to "Protective Point Loma Mom" who dropped her seven-year-old daughter off at a children's birthday party only to find out later that part of the festivities included a field trip to the cemetery for all the children. Even though my immediate reaction to taking kids to a cemetery for a child's birthday was the same as hers, my initial thought was: "Why didn't she go with her daughter to this birthday party?" It seems to me that she didn't know the birthday girl's mother very well yet trusted her completely because she dropped her daughter off there for two hours. I don't know about you, but when I was seven, I wasn't allowed to cross the street by myself, let alone go to a birthday party by myself. Hopefully, when she has a chat with the birthday girl's mother about her concerns, she could also use that time to get to know her more and likewise with any of her daughter's other friends and their parents. She should remember if she wants to protect her daughter from such things, she should be there to put a stop to it. That's nobody's responsibility but her own. D.D. IN LA MESA

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Ham on Easter, turkey on Thanksgiving, roast beef at Christmas. As long as the Kellys can remember, that's how it's been in the Kelly home — and that's how it stays. I knew that, going into my marriage to Patrick, but it took me a few years to notice another holiday-food connection: grilled meat on Labor Day. "The Kelly men stand

around a grill and grunt as they char meat," said Patrick. That's just what they do. Patrick does

decent work with the tongs, but when there's company, he gets nervous. "It's ruined," he invariably announces as he

brings his handiwork to brings his handiwork to the table. This year, I hoped to alleviate his anxiety by starting him off with really good steak. I had noticed that the Big Three grocery chains — Vons, Ralphs, and Albertsons — now offered "higher-end" beef. Signs in the meat departments used swaggering phrases like "Steak House choice," "Tender Aged," and "Rancher's Reserve."

The Sunday before Labor Day, I muscled my way to the meat departments and bought a "higher-end" rib eye and New York steak at each. (Patrick likes rib eyes; his brother Mike, New Yorks.) I asked a butcher at Vons if Vons was carrying better meat these days. "Prime is number one," he explained. "It will have the most marbling." (A butcher at Albertsons told me that marbling referred to the webbing of fat within the muscle that aids flavor and tenderness.) After Prime comes Choice, and then Select. "Before," said the Vons man, "we were getting 10 percent Choice and 90 percent Select. Now it's more like 90 percent Choice and 10 percent Select."

Come Labor Day, Patrick heated the grill and set to work. He complained that "all this fancy meat" just added to the pressure, but he didn't quite ruin anything. Mike and his wife Shawn joined us at table, and we started sawing away at the New Yorks with our steak knives. Everybody thought the Albertsons Premium Steak House Choice Angus Beef steak (**\$12.99**/lb.) was

firm and juicy, the way a New York should be. But Shawn had more praises to sing. "You bite into it and get that wholesome meat flavor." It ended up being her favorite.

The rest of us went for the Ralphs USDA Choice Tender Aged steak (**\$8.49**/lb.). "There's that

initial firmness, but then my teeth go through it easily," marveled Mike. "The fibers are meaty to the tongue, and there's a hint of fattiness. It's got that steaky New York texture, and the best flavor." The Vons Rancher's Reserve (**\$9.49**/lb.), meanwhile, missed the mark. "You'd expect it to be a rib eye from the texture when you cut into it," said Mike, with a glance at Patrick. "It's not as firm. It's almost insubstantial." And even rib eye–loving Patrick had to agree it had the least flavor.

Albertsons Premium Steak House Choice

"Aging is decomposition under controlled circumstances."

Angus Beef (**\$11.99**/lb.) won the rib eye roundup, hands down. "It's got the best marbling," said Mike, chewing happily. "It flattens out when you chew it, like the fibers of the meat are separating. It has a pleasing elasticity."

"It's positively striated," agreed Patrick. "Juices ran out the minute it touched my tongue," grinned Shawn. "It gave instant flavor." Vons Rancher's Reserve (**\$10.49**/lb.) placed second in both flavor and tenderness, while Ralphs USDA Choice Tender Aged (**\$10.29**/lb.) seemed the most New Yorky of the rib eyes — good flavor, but oddly firm. (Both Ralphs steaks also sported a thick outer layer of fat, which added to the weight, but weren't much good for eating.)

I called around to the Big Three for explanations of differences in meat quality. But after much blah, blah, blah, I turned to a local butcher, who gave the most useful answers. "There are four elements youth, inactivity, proper feed, and proper aging," said Stan at Iowa Meat Farms. Youth and inactivity are often a function of location. "If you

have cattle from California, Arizona, New Mexico, or Southern Texas, cattle that are more on

the range, they have to move around a lot to find feed and water. It takes them more time to reach the right size to go into the feedlot maybe two or three years.

That's three years of running up and down hills in the Sonora desert or the Central Valley. When you throw them in the feedlot for 90 days and stuff them full of sugar, you're still going to have a tough one. Whereas a beef from the Midwest — from a nice, flat, small farm — can grow pretty quickly. Midwest beef usually goes to the feedlot at 12 to 18

months." Sugar is important for all proper feed, noted Stan. "Like corn — but any of the grains will do. Industry standard on Choice meat is probably 90 to 120 days on feed. But the grade doesn't mean everything. Choice from Utah or Arizona is not going to be the same as Choice from Nebraska. When meat graders are judging, it's semi-scientific. They look at marbling — the fat built up in the muscle tells them that the animal didn't have to move around much and got a lot of feed. But they also look at cover fat, the color and conformity of the meat,

and at certain parts of the skeleton — to tell the age of the animal. Still, it's a judgment call." A borderline animal in a hot climate might get a break, because it looks better than the rest of the bunch.

"Aging," continued Stan, "is decomposition under controlled circumstances. There are enzymes that are already in the muscle, triggered when the animal dies. The job of those enzymes is to dissolve the animal, recycle it. As the cow ages in the cooler, it's going to become more tender and develop flavor."

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Thirty Years Ago

UNPRECEDENTED RESPONSE to our countrywide invitation to "An Evening With Our Inferiors" in November has caused Mgmnt. to erect a lean-to for those inclined to totter or lean. On display, by special arrangement with Cartiers, will be authenticated gold-plated seeds of one of the grapes peeled by Mae West's maid when Mae was expecting a swain to "come up and see her sometime." — NOTICES, *September 19, 1974*

Twenty-Five Years Ago

Let's look at what's happened. (Schnaubelt hauls out clipping from the *Los Angeles Times*, April 6, 1969.) "Shortage of Housing Strangling San Diego; Little Relief in Sight." We had no rent controls. Rents went up. Profits went up. Incentives to build more housing increased. So builders started building more. People were flooding in. San Diego by 1972 had nine of the ten largest homebuilders in the United States building in response to the shortage. By 1972 the headlines in the *San Diego Union* say, "County Headed for Overbuilt Market." — **"RENT CONTROL,"** edited by Jeannette De Wyze, September 20, 1979

Twenty Years Ago

When I first got in, I picked up some bad vibes from one of the hard-core yardbirds. He's a white guy and he's got his little crowd. All of them are full-on buff boys and I get along with all of them except him. I guess it is because I came in looking beachy and healthy. Not your typical badass. Anyway, we had a minor altercation last nite when they handed out the mail. They called him right after me and the crowd was passing back the letters and cards. Somebody handed me a card from Taya, and he snatched it, thinking it was his, I guess. — "LETTERS FROM THE INSIDE," Tom Gleason, September 20, 1984

Fifteen Years Ago

Down, down, we dropped into the greenbrown waters off Point Loma, one nautical mile from the sewage treatment plant. My friend and I had already dived onto the sewage fallout pipe that carries 190 million gallons of wastewater every day from San Diego County and squirts it into the ocean, two and a half miles out.

Orange corals were more common here than anywhere else I've seen off San Diego. Purple bryozoan hardtack covered many sections of rock. Strange puffball sponges, some the size of volleyballs, squatted on the flat surfaces. Fat, sourpussed sculpin harrumphed a few feet away when prodded. — **"THE END OF THE PIPE,"** *Neal Matthews, September 21, 1989*



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Ten Years Ago

"Former mayor Maureen O'Connor inserted both her fists into Joan Kroc's nostrils at an American Diabetes Society fundraiser held at the Little America Westgate last night. The mighty politico dragged the burger magnate around the ballroom several times while a well-dressed crowd of astonished onlookers gawked and applauded. Said one fundraiser insider, 'Last year Maureen did the same thing to Joan at an Epilepsy Society shindig at the La Valencia and it was a big hit. Now everybody's heard about their fists-in-nostrils routine and it's on its way to becoming a San Diego charity tradition...."

— "IN TOM BLAIR'S SAN DIEGO, EVERYONE IS A

COMEDIAN," Abe Opincar, September 11, 1994

Five Years Ago

What appears to trouble Third Wave's critics isn't the flag-waving or the horn-blowing, but Third Wavers' spontaneous utterances. Third Wavers in Florida have reportedly "brayed like donkeys." Third Wavers in Toronto have engaged in "holy laughing." A few folks at El Cajon Foursquare "holy laugh" too.

Even if you've spent time around the more ardent reaches of the Pentecostal world, holy laughing looks and sounds unusual. Unlike speaking in tongues, which is often melodic, holy laughter is strident, spasmodic. After last Sunday's service, I approached the gray-haired woman I'd seen convulse with laughter and I asked her what the experience felt like.

"Praying in tongues," she said, "is a communication with God. It's talking with God in a language other than your own, using words your own language can't express. Holy laughter is like God coming down. God coming down and filling you with joy. It's like suddenly being filled with joy."

— "SHEEP AND GOATS," Abe Opincar, September 16, 1999

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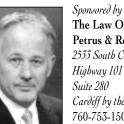


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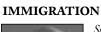
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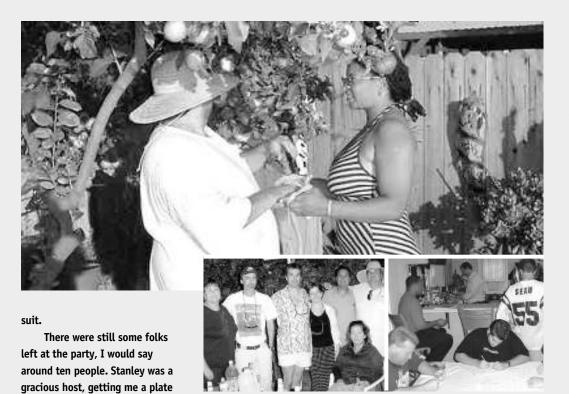
by Josh Board

Lt was bound to happen. I'm horrible with directions and get lost often. Even the compass that came in my PT Cruiser isn't much help.

My male friends give me a hard time. My female friends think it's wonderful that I'm not embarrassed to stop and ask for directions. (Note to self: next time I ask a person and they say, "Do you want the quickest way?" I should respond, "No, give me the route that takes an extra hour but has scenic views.")

When Stanley invited me to a party at his house in Lemon Grove, the directions sounded easy enough until he said, "At the U-Haul place, you'll see three streets straight ahead. Take the one on the left." When I got to the U-Haul place. I took the street that I thought was on the left. I got lost. I turned around and tried again, taking the street on the right. Again, I got lost. I called Stanley, who gave me directions again. I was getting more confused. He laughed and said, "Okay, just wait at the U-Haul place and I'll pick you up."

I felt bad that he had to fetch me, but I felt worse when, as we were driving back to his place, he waved to three different cars that were leaving the party. I guess when the host leaves, everyone else follows



Top: Stanley gives lemons to coworker; bottom left: Lemon Grove partiers; bottom right: fantasy football draft

starts. I see a guy about ten rows in front of me looking around. I sort of stick out my chest a bit, so he can see the jersey. This guy then waves, and I assume it's Duncan. After the movie I go up

Our horrible duet couldn't get Opera Man to show us his true talents.

"I sent Shepherd an e-mail once about how I'd like to meet him. He said he'd be at a certain movie premiere, and I told him I'd say hello. He asked me how he'd know who I was, and so I told him I'd wear a sports jersey. So I'm sitting in the movie before it

of food (hot dogs, chips, beans,

and a beer). Two guys asked me

both started telling me how much

They were actually quoting things

from reviews that were written

years ago. One of the guys said,

about Duncan Shepherd. They

they loved his movie reviews.

to him, and he's looking at me, like, 'What do you want?' It wasn't Duncan. He must've been waving at somebody else."

I think this guy said he wrote reviews for a website. And it was fun talking movies with him. Sometimes you bring up a movie like *Fargo* and people freak out. We had a blast talking about some weirder movies we liked. And it's nice to be around people who aren't asking me why Duncan doesn't like any movies or why he doesn't agree with them on what constitutes a great film.

Stanley's brother was at the party, and he's a professional opera singer in Germany. I told him I've met rock singers, but never any opera singers. He said, "Sometimes they can be similar. Robert Plant could've been an opera singer. He could sing soprano, in the high F's." I wondered if any Led Zeppelin fan has ever said that about Plant before. The closest would probably be Zep fans talking about the show *The Sopranos*.

I asked why he doesn't sing opera here and he said, "There are more opportunities there. They have so many theaters. I've been working there since 1989. I don't work during the summer, so I come back here." His mom piped in, "And every time he comes back, he brings a different woman." I looked at the woman he was with. She smiled. She was a violin player from Poland. I asked her how she liked San Diego and she said, "There's a lot more poverty than I thought there would be. I saw homeless people downtown. But I loved going to the beach."

Stanley works for Vitas Hospice, and he was asking me what I knew about hospice and what they do. I could tell the conversation was going to take a heavier turn. I told Stanley that it's great how hospice workers make families feel better and help the patient in such a dire time. A few people at the party began debating the topic of assisted suicide. But Stanley told some touching stories about some of the patients he's worked with. And he told some bizarre ones. Relatives who warned of a sibling who would be showing up trying to



borrow money or steal jewelry. Another family that wanted to take a last picture with the recently deceased. They held him up while Stan snapped the photo.

There was a nice African-American hospice worker there, and she told a few funny stories that weren't work-related. When I kept bugging the opera singer to sing something, she saw he was reluctant. So she asked me to sing something first. Since I had a piña colada in my hand, I joked about that song. She started doing the music with her mouth and singing along. Our horrible duet couldn't get Opera Man to show us his true talents.

There was an Iranian guy at the party who said his name was Matthew. When I asked about the name, he told me it wasn't his real name but rather his American name. I always liked that arowing up. I remember the first day of school. There would be four or five Vietnamese kids in our class. The teacher would spend 20 seconds trying to pronounce a name with a lot of consonants in a row and very few vowels.

Matthew has a car dealership called Tuff Cars. I asked about that name and he said, "I was in New York and saw a dealership with that name and I liked it."

Stanley told him he should tell me the story about how he was shot in the backside. He told me it was in a war in Iraq. I thought he said in 1984, but I'm not positive. I didn't ask to see the scar.

When one person left the party, Stanley gave him a plant. When one of his coworkers left, he gave her a bag of lemons. His back yard was filled with lemon trees, a perfect fit for a house in Lemon Grove.

When I was leaving, he tried to give me lemons. I refused. He then asked me to take one of the watermelons that hadn't been carved into. I ended up carrying it to my car, thinking about how embarrassed Jennifer Grey was in *Dirty Dancing* when her first words to Patrick Swayze were "I carried a watermelon."

I then headed to my 15th annual fantasy football draft/party. In past years, when I came in first at the end of the season (which would win me around \$300), I'd spend a lot on food at the following year's draft. But after other people won and didn't seem to like the "share the wealth" tradition, I've since left them on their own.

The draft is usually at Paul's house. He's been in the league for seven years, and it seems every few years he moves. He had a nice place in Escondido. When he got divorced, he moved in with a woman who had a beautiful house in Santee. Then a few years later, they bought this big place in Clairemont. It had a game room with a pool table and a bar, and it was the perfect place to smoke cigars and talk football. Now he has a Southwestern-style place in Bay Park that has a perfect view of the fireworks at Sea-World. And it was a nice break, in the tenth round of the draft, to watch the show, although I said, "Watching fireworks just isn't the same without wives and kids saying 'ooh' and 'ahh' every five seconds."

When we start the draft, there always seems to be a problem picking numbers out of a hat to see who gets the first pick in the draft. One year, nobody could tell the number seven from the number one, or the number six from the number nine. I said. "You've never seen people underline the number six so you know it's the bottom of the number?" Another time, we had 14 teams, but there were 16 numbers. The guy who picked number 15 started freaking out. We tried to calm him down. telling him we'd eliminate the 15 and he could pick another number. But he just kept screaming that he wanted to start all over again. Of course, the people with the first, second, and third picks would have none of that. So what did the guy writing the numbers do this year? He decided to write comments on each one. For the last pick in the draft

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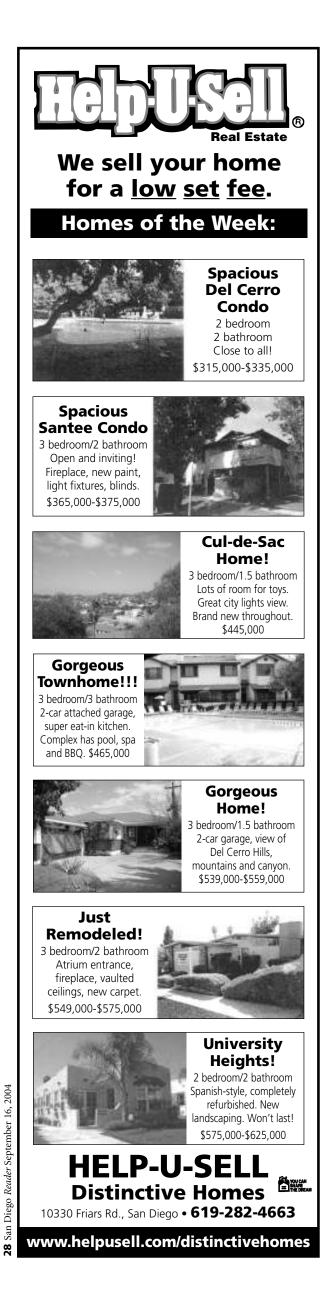
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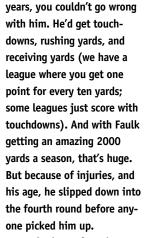
(number 14), he wrote, "Tough luck." But it created confusion for the guy who said, "I got number 507." It turns out, he wrote 50/50 on the number-seven pick, since it was right in the middle. But he wrote the 50/50 with the "7" between it. I asked Mike why he had to write anything on the numbers that would confuse somebody. He claimed it wasn't confusing and that we were idiots. I thought about how, in The Odd Couple movie, Walter Matthau complains to Jack Lemmon that it took him two weeks to figure out the "F-U" he wrote on his notes were his initials.

And it seemed suspicious that the person doing all this is the one who just happened to get the numberone pick (and the rights to draft Priest Holmes, by far the best fantasy football running back). Charger running back LaDainian Tomlinson went second.

There's one guy named Rich who always seems to pick some Charger players, even though it's not usually wise to pick players from teams you like. I've often picked Raider players. I have their kicker this year. But I despise that team. It's all about getting the best players at different positions.

And each year, there's always somebody who isn't up to speed on current events in the NFL. Somebody will draft a player who broke his leg two weeks earlier; we always tell them so they aren't saddled with a bad team, and they sheepishly pick again. One person joked, "Who is going to draft Ricky Williams this year?" He's the former local star from Patrick Henry High who decided he'd rather get high than play in the NFL. He had plenty of good years left. And it leaves former San Diego star Junior Seau on a Dolphins team that now looks about as bad as the Chargers.

Another local former San Diego State star, Marshall Faulk (who was in town at the KGB Sky Show recently), used to be the first pick. For three straight



It's always fun when everyone gives each other a hard time about a pick they made. You take somebody who has been arrested for drugs in the past, and they make the sniffing sound with their nose. You pick a player who has had run-ins with the law, and they make comments. I also got running back Jamal Lewis, one of the best in the game: but he's going to have a trial...something involving cocaine possession and drug trafficking.

Some of the jokes we have are old. Whenever receiver Amani Toomer is picked, somebody will do the Schwarzenegger line from



Kindergarten Cop, where he says, "It's not a tumor" in reference to a headache he has.

It's always fun to listen to people's crazy strategies. People have gotten better over the years, with many websites and magazines devoted to fantasy football. One year, a guy thought he would win if he had Dan Marino, and every receiver and running back on the Dolphins. He even bought a Miami running back from me for \$20 who promptly broke his leq two weeks later. The problem with that strategy is, you may get all the points Miami gets. But when the team ends the game with only 14 points, you're screwed. This year, we had a guy who chose a lot of Seattle Seahawks players, and he thought that strategy would work.

Last year, we had a woman in our league for the first time. She was missed this year, partly because she drafted horribly last year and that left better players for us. Also, she brought cookies to the draft. One guy said, "Aren't there any cookies? I miss that woman."

After we draft our teams, there's always a debate about who has the best team. It's usually not the person who drafts first, because they then have to wait until the last pick of the next round. And injuries always play a part in everything. But it's fun when people make side bets regarding their players. One person even talked about how a player he picked had a horrible season a few years ago on his team. I asked, "Why did you draft him again?" He responded, "Well, it was the tenth round, and I couldn't believe he was still there. He's still good: he's just inconsistent." He went on to tell me. "I'm not racist. I don't have a racist bone in my body. But when this guy fumbled the ball on the onevard line, when he could've scored me a touchdown, I used the n-word while shouting at the TV."

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DAVE DUNCAN & SHERRY EDEN

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('ve always been the gungho one," Sherry Eden says. Sitting on the living room couch in the home she shares with Dave Duncan, Miss Eden, 29, smiles a confident smile. Mr. Duncan, 37, nods his head in agreement.

"My best friend and her best friend got married," Mr. Duncan says of their meeting. "Kerri and Saul. I was Saul's best man. Sherry was Kerri's maid of honor."

"We did wedding stuff together," Miss Eden says. "I felt like I already knew him. I had heard so much about him from Kerri. We saw each other for the first time at the rehearsal dinner. Neither of us was looking for anyone at the time. Dave was engaged to someone else."

"Sherry and I walked together down the aisle," Mr. Duncan confirms. "And we both had to give a speech at the reception."

For the next six months, Mr. Duncan and Miss Eden saw each other only every now and then. "I still knew what was going on with him

because of Kerri and Saul," Miss Eden explains. "In February, I heard he had broken up with his fiancée. I was a school-bus driver at the time. For Valentine's Day, one of the kids on my bus gave me a box of conversation hearts."

"The little candy ones with the messages on them," Mr. Duncan says.

"I put a note on the box and dropped it into the sunroof of his truck," Miss Eden confesses. "The next day when he came out to go to work, he found the box on the front seat."

For their first evening together, Mr. Duncan and Miss Eden doubledated with Kerri and Saul "We went bowling at the old Palomar Lanes in Escondido," Mr. Duncan says. "Then we sang karaoke at the Sunset Lounge."

"He sang a lot of songs," Miss Eden says and laughs.

"I asked her what song she wanted me to sing," Mr. Duncan remembers, "She said, 'Good Morning, Beautiful,' by Steve Holy."

"He sang it."

The couple met for lunch the following week at a little Mexican restaurant behind the Foster's Freeze in Escondido. "At first I didn't want to jump back into a relationship," Mr. Duncan explains.

Miss Eden changed his mind. The couple grew closer. Miss Eden bought a brand-new house in Murrieta. While the house was being built, she stayed with Mr. Duncan's sister. When the house was complete, Mr. Duncan and Miss Eden moved in together. "I knew he was the one," Miss Eden says. "I just didn't know if he would ever get around to asking me to get married. So I asked him.

"I bought a ring at LeMasters Jewelers," Miss Eden continues. "A white gold band. We were at Kerri and Saul's for a barbecue. I wanted to ask him in front of everyone, but I chickened out. That night we were lying in bed watching TV. When I had gotten home from the barbecue, I'd shoved the ring in my pillowcase. Dave turned off the TV and rolled over like he was going to go to sleep. I thought, 'NOOO.' "

"It was pitch black," Mr. Duncan confirms. "She said, 'Here,' and handed me the ring in the box. I knew what it was."

"All he said was, 'Oh, my gosh.' I said, 'Will you marry me?' He didn't answer."

"I made her wait until the next morning," Mr. Duncan says with a sheepish grin. "When I got up, I came out into the kitchen and said, 'Of course I'll marry you.'"

Miss Eden went online and researched the ring Mr. Duncan would buy for her. "I knew I wanted an antique setting."

"We shopped all day in the Diamond District in downtown L.A." Mr. Duncan says. "It took eight hours. We went into more than eight stores."

"We found the stone at one store and the band at another," Miss Eden explains. "Then we had them put the ring together."

Miss Eden holds up her hand to show off the antique white gold "hugs and kisses" engagement ring. "There are 40 diamonds around the band, and the center diamond is 3/4 carat."

Miss Eden, who attends the Royal College of Beauty in Temecula, and Mr. Duncan, who works in screen inspection at the Sony Plant in Rancho Bernardo, plan a small, Friday-afternoon wedding in the garden of a friend in Vista. "She has a really pretty back yard," Miss Eden says. "We'll stand underneath the pepper tree.'

"It'll be just family and really close friends," Mr. Duncan agrees. "We're going to have a large reception sometime next year."

"My boys will walk me down the aisle," Miss Eden says of her two sons, ages six and seven-and-a-half. "I want them to give me away. And my nephew will hold the ring." For the past year, Miss Eden has taken on the full-time care of her brother's nine-and-a-half-year-old son.

"We'll go on a honeymoon to Catalina or Hawaii," Mr. Duncan says. "Whichever has the better package."

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by Barbarella

"Before we make love my husband takes a pain killer." - Joan Rivers

his week I was invited to a dinner party thrown for dominant women and the men who love them. Seeing as I am a dominant woman, I thought it would

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be fun to dine with a group of people to whom I might relate. My dominatrix tendencies may have been cultivated out of town, but San Diego - with its maledominated, conservative history — is a prime target to be overtaken by strong, independent women. Like Eva Perón, some prefer to perform takeovers from the bedroom, or in most of these women's cases, in the bedroom.

The word "fetish" has a bad rap. If you're the type of person who says, "I'm fine with whatever floats your boat, but I don't want to know about it," cease reading this column immediately. I am the tell-all sort, and in *my* life — where it pertains to my thoughts, feelings, and actions - very little is sacred. Don't worry, Mom and Dad, I'm not going to talk about my personal kinks (yet); this is more about my observations of others. Here my eye is focused on those who consider themselves dominant women.

The evening's event was held in Old Town and was organized by Ms. Maeve, a friend of David's and the leader of San Diego Fem-Domme (SDFemdomme), a Yahoo! group she describes as "a private group for those interested in female domination in the San Diego area to discuss topics of interest and for arranging and announcing social activities." The invitation said 7:00 p.m., so I made sure we arrived promptly at 6:15 (a minor preference)

Dining Dommes

We sat at the sticky bar and ordered off the specialty drink menu. David's effete beverage was nicely watered-down for young girls, whereas my concoction was sufficiently tasty, producing a nice buzz. A man sat alone across the bar until our hostess arrived, at which time we realized he was part of our group. Shown to our table, we were seated dangerously close to a group of color-blind teenagers (if their clothes were any indication). Eventually, all 19 of those who'd RSVP'd arrived. David and I sat side by side in the middle of the long table, a perfect place for me to observe and involve myself in the various conversations.

Before attending such a group of selfprofessed "dominant" women and "submissive" men, I have a heart-to-heart with my bias-sphere. I remind myself that I must make a conscious effort not to judge people, which is difficult given my propensity to observe others and extrapolate tendencies and characteristics based on brief interactions. Some might say that drawing conclusions in such a way is "unfair" and "prejudiced." Probably, but that doesn't keep me from doing it. I'll tell you exactly what I think of the few subsets of dominant women with whom I've come into contact.

The professional dominatrix is a conundrum. One might think that the pro would be the strongest, the fiercest. Yet, if

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we look further, we see a woman who is paid to do what a man wants her to do. Where is the strength? Where is the choice? Where is the dominance? In reality, it is a fantasy two people act out for the pleasure profit of the man and the monetary profit of the woman. Some pros consider themselves "psychodramatists," acting as conduits for their clients' fantasies. This can be a mutually beneficial arrangement, and I have great respect for their contribution to the stressreduction of our finest executives, but it does not accurately describe the dominant female.

The meek-dominant woman is another unsolvable puzzle. These are the girls who claim to overpower submissive men, but they come across to me as weak. Just as the man who spends his days at the proverbial helm seeks to relinquish control in the bedroom, these women, taking orders from others all day, seek to turn the tables at home. I am strong, and sometimes overbearing, in all aspects of my life. When I meet another who calls herself "strong" or "dominant," I expect to do more listening and agreeing than I might in other circumstances. Yet more often than not, the meek-dominants silently select me as the she-alpha of the pack, even in those cases in which I am making a concerted effort to allow another woman possession of the conch.

Back at the restaurant, a pretty blonde and her husband sat to our right. They



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attended because they're looking to add excitement to their love lives; the male half of the relationship expressed his interest to his better half, and she obliged. As Dan Savage (of the column Savage Love) would say, she possesses the three G's: Good, Giving, and Game, words always present in a healthy and loving relationship. To my left sat a woman whose husband is overseas — she is also involved in these groups at the urging of her husband. Across from me sat a woman (hereinafter "Ms. T") between two men – each without a partner present.

Ms. T flirted ruthlessly in the most dominating way with our waiter, a very good sport. The ex-Marine to her left (hereinafter "R") was subjected to uninvited grasps from the playful women on either side of him. I couldn't tell if he was enjoying the verbal jabs and physical grabs; he kept his face solemn and his few smiles were enigmatic. During dinner, conversation randomly jumped from one subject to another. Some diners ex-plained they are "switches," meaning they enjoy both dominating and being dominated. Others were simply inquisitive as to how the rest interacted, where people gathered, and what kinds of parties are available for socializing with like-minded people on a grander scale.

At one point, lively discussions about medical science carried on to my right, while facts regarding cow births were being shared to my left. Throughout the "meal" (if you can call dissection of my fajita salad a meal), Ms. T kept trying to turn the conversation back to more fun topics, like sex and the dirty things we do to enjoy it. Several people to my right engaged in a prolonged discussion about the many bedroom uses of vet wrap (a self-sticking spongy bandage often used to protect the shins of racehorses).

While everyone

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chewed and chatted, R seemed to be testing the waters. Regardless of the fact that he identified himself as a switch and was aware that this group revolved around the concept of the dominant female, he pushed and prodded, intentionally talking back to women not used to such behavior from a man. Perhaps he did this to test their strength, the way a toddler might push the limits with his parents in an effort to see what he could get away with. No one opted for dessert, and e-mail address-

es were exchanged before we rose to leave. Of the 19, I only got to spend time speaking with 6, which provided more than enough kink for me to wrap my mind around. Later on, when we got home, it wasn't my *mind* that I wrapped around David.



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love honey. I love honey! Like the bears. All day long my coffee has honey

instead of sugar. My cereal has honey. My toast, honey on it. Always honey." David Rojas of San Marcos has a thing for honey. It may explain why he works all day managing the beekeeping supplies at Knorr Candle Shop. And why he has kept his own bees over the years. It might also explain why from time to time he finds himself in one honey of a mess.

"I have been stung a lot of times. The worst that ever happened to me was one time when I went down to Chula Vista. Somebody asked me to move his bees from the old boxes to the new boxes that I had sold him. When I left my home, I was on my way to T.J., and I thought, 'Well, on my way back I will move the bees. Piece of cake.' Oh, big mistake. First of all, in San Marcos it was sunny, warm. I thought, 'It's going to be a very good day to move those bees.' When I got there, the weather was completely different than in San Marcos. It was breezy and cold. It was a very bad time to work with the bees. In that weather, they are all inside. I took my smoker, my bee suit, my veil, everything, but I forgot my gloves, and the kind of gloves the other beekeeper had were not appropriate. I knew they would sting and sting a lot. You are working in the nest, where the queen is, and they protect their mother.

"I decided, 'Well, I'm here, and I have to do this because I'm not going to drive again to come and do this. What I'm going to do is do it as quick as I can.' I did it. I did it as quick as I could, but it wasn't quick enough. I got, like, 60 stings in my hands. It was a lot. When I was driving back home, my hands were big, like Popeye. I couldn't hold the wheel right, but I had to drive. It was a very bad decision."

Rojas is one of an estimated 500 beekeepers in San Diego County. He considers himself a hobbyist, in it for the pleasure of working the bees, eating the honey, and sharing the honey with friends and family. Others are sideliners who keep bees to supplement their income. They run small operations and sell honey to regular local customers or at farmer's markets. A small portion of beekeepers are professionals who rely on the business of pollination and honey production for their livelihood.

Thirty years ago, Bob Madsen, who is now 64, began keeping bees for his health. "I first became interested in bees because I was very, very sick with allergies," Madsen said. "I was working for the utility company and for the sheriff's Search and Rescue at that time. I got real bad bronchitis and asthma, and I was going into emphysema. One morning I stopped and saw my doctor, and he checked me out and said, 'How much work do you have to do?' and I said I had about 12 hours' worth of work to do. He said, 'Well, take the work and give it back to whoever gave it to you. Go home and go to bed.' I said, 'I can't do that.' He said, 'Well, if you don't do that, you'll probably die today.'

"I took the work back, and the doctor came over and he took some tests. He took some blood. They found out after extensive testing that I had an allergy to rye grass. This was shortly after we had that firestorm in the county. It burned from Kitchen Creek all the way into the Bonita area. That, I believe, was '71, the early '70s.

"They came in and bombarded the backcountry with a hybrid rye grass from Australia, which grew, like, 36 inches tall. And here I'm out there looking for people — doing search-and-rescue work in all the brush. I got weaker and weaker. My eyes were red, and my nose was running all the time.

"Anyway, I started giving myself injections in my legs every other day. I did that for about a year, and then shortly thereafter I went to once a week. It was a serum for allergies, to build up my immune system. It was household dusts and



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molds in one injection, and the other one was selected mixed pollens. I did that, and I was doing my job.

"One day I was working pulling electric meters and checking electric meters in a building. A fellow came out — he wanted to know what all the noise was about. He ran a bio lab there. I asked him if he did serum analysis, and he said, 'Yeah, that's primarily what I do.' He asked if I had all my boxes of hypodermic needles, and I said, 'Yeah,' and he said, 'And you have all your serum and you keep that in your butter keeper in your refrigerator?' and I said, 'That's correct.' He said, 'What I suggest you do is you throw that all away and get yourself some honeycomb. Eat the honeycomb from your neighborhood. Get some from some of these old folks who keep bees in the neighborhood in their back yards. Just get some raw honey and honeycomb and chew that every day, and that'll immunize you. It's a natural immunization process.'

"I got to thinking about it, and I thought, there's plenty of guys that keep bees around here. You just have to find them. But you know, I couldn't really find any. I went up to Knorr Candle Shop and got a book on bees and all the paraphernalia and built myself some bee boxes. I read a book about bees, how to keep them and how to get bees. The book said to call the fire department and tell them you'll take swarms. That's what I did. I got the swarms. Within a month I had honeycomb, so I was eating it. I stopped taking my shots, and I stopped taking all the medications. I started just eating the honeycomb, but I was apprehensive about it. I kept all my shots and all the apparatus. After

about six months I felt real good, so I just threw it all away. That was the end of that. That's how I got into bees."

David Rojas was originally hired to work in the garden at Knorr Candle Shop, which is located near Fairbanks Ranch. This was 14 years ago, when he was 30 years old and a recent arrival from Mexico City. Eventually, the man who then managed the beekeeping supplies invited him to help extract honey. Rojas remembered, "The next day was Saturday, and he came by my home and picked me up, and we went to the special place to extract. I never imagined he had, like, 80 boxes. The boxes hold between 90 and 100 pounds of honey. Each box, so very heavy. It was the first time I saw the industrial part of the bee-and-honey business. I was so surprised when we took the honey from the first frames. I never saw that much honey in my life. Then I started asking all kinds of questions about bees. I was so interested in it.

"Soon after, that guy quit to raise bees, and then I started working in the bee supplies. I am a very curious guy. I asked all the old people about bees. I read a lot on bees. Then I got my own bees. Somebody sold me ten hives. I had those ten hives, and I talked to my boss about it. He said, 'Everything you need, just let me know. You can have all the material you need, and you can pay me as much as you can out of every paycheck.' I put my hives up in Pala. Of course, all the beekeepers say they have the best bees in the world. Their bees produce more than anybody else's. Always they have caught the biggest swarm in all the county. It was the same with me.

"The next year in the spring I was ready to get the honey," Rojas continued. "I got a lot of honey. My wife said, What are you going to do with all that honey?' I said, 'You know what, if I don't sell it, I'm going to eat it.' I love honey. I started working, and I six o'clock in the morning on the Fourth of July, extracting on a handcrank extractor. My brother came and helped me out a little bit. My wife. My brother-in-law. Everybody was helping me out, but they quit. It was very hot. The honey was coming out very easily because it was hot. I finished around nine or ten o'clock that night. All day long. I had about 900 pounds of honey that first year."

The European honeybee, *Apis mellifera*, has provided people with honey for millennia. Cave paintings in Spain dating back to 6000 B.C.E. depict people gathering honey from hives. Honey was used to embalm Egyptian pharaohs. Egyptians, Greeks, and Romans made honey wine called mead. Even beer was made from honey.

Aristotle studied bees, theorizing correctly and incorrectly about their behavior. He accurately reported on the social caste system and that bees live in large colonies. He also recognized the queen bees, but he mistakenly called them king bees.

A colony — a hive — in California can have from 8000 bees, at the end of winter, to 45,000. The queen leaves the hive for only two reasons, to mate and to accompany a swarm to a new hive. Mating occurs when the queen is seven to ten days old and takes place in the air. The 12 to 20 drones she mates with die during the process. She begins to lay eggs two or three days later and can lay as many as 2000 in one day. During mating, she receives millions of sperm. They



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will last her her lifetime, which is usually two years but may be as long as six. She stores the sperm in a receptacle called a spermatheca.

The queen is cared for by worker bees, who lick her, groom her, and feed her. Worker bees do all the work of the colony; the drones, the males, exist only to inseminate the queen. The workers gather nectar, pollen, and propolis, a plant resin used to seal cracks in the hive. They build and repair the honeycomb, clean and defend the hive, make the honey, and raise the young bees. There is never a time when the entire colony sleeps.

Sue Hubbell, in *A* Book of Bees: And How to Keep Them, gives an example of the workers'



determination as foragers. "One bee would have to fly the equivalent of three orbits around the earth in her foraging flights (using one ounce of honey as fuel for each orbit) in order to produce a single pound of

"The bees have to fly 10,000 times to the same spot to collect a little tiny drop of honey," Rojas said. "One bee is going to be able to produce one teaspoon and a half of honey in all its life. Bees

honey."

David Rojas

are very, very intelligent. They go and look for the source of the food. They have very good communication. When they come back with a new nectar, they share it with the other bees. Then they start a little dance and let them know how far and in what direction the nectar is. And what kind of flower and how the flower looks."

In the well-documented bee dance, a worker acts out an intricate roadmap for other bees in the colony to follow to a specific source of nectar.

The workers provide temperature control for the hive. According to Chuck Nichols of San Luis Rey Apiaries, "The bees have to control the temperature inside their hive very, very accurately because of the baby bees that are being produced. They usually control it within about three degrees, and it's right around 94. If it gets real hot, they have to have more bees passing air through the hive to keep

the temperature down. When it gets cold they eat honey, because when they eat, their bodies put out heat. That's why if a beekeeper takes too much honey away from them, they die." In general a worker bee lives for six weeks in the summer and six months in the winter.

In the autumn, workers cease feeding the drones, and they weaken and die. Workers then drag them from the hive. It's a maleless society during the winter.

Honey and nectar are the primary food sources for the adult bee, and pollen is the bee's source of protein. "The bees suck the nectar up through their long tongues and store it in a sac called a honey stomach," Hubbell writes.







"When this is full, they fly back to their hives and transfer nectar to the young bees, who spread it, drop by drop, throughout the honeycomb in the hives. When most of the water is removed from the nectar, the bees cap each cell of finished honey with snow-white wax that is secreted in flakes from their wax glands."

Bees make honey from nectar by doing two things. They secrete enzymes that change the sucrose in the nectar to simple sugars. To prevent fermentation, bees reduce the water content in the nectar to around 17 percent, both by manipulating the nectar in their mouths and by evaporation, a process the bees help along by fanning their wings to create air movement over the comb.

The worker bees are covered with little hairs. As they travel from flower to flower, pollen adheres to the hairs. The bee then works its legs to brush the pollen into pollen baskets, located on its back legs. In this process, bees inadvertently pollinate plants.

Hardworking bees not only pollinate flowers in the garden and native plants, but contribute as well to agriculture. In the United States in 2000, 14.6 billion dollars' worth of crops depended on bee pollination, and the honey produced last year, according to the USDA, had a value of \$255 million.

Chuck Nichols runs San Luis Rey Apiaries with his son in Valley Center. "We've been in a partnership business since 1980," Nichols said. "I have been keeping bees off and on as a hobby since I was 9 years old, and I'm 76 now, so I've been around it for a few years. When I was 9 I had a fascination with

bees. I was raised in an orange grove in the San Gabriel Valley, and a guy down the street had a couple of hives of bees. I used to go down and watch them going in and out, going in and out, and one day I found a nice big swarm in my father's orange grove, and so the guy down the street helped me get it, and that's how I started." For Rex Christensen, beekeeping was a family trade. "I was kind of born into it. My

grandfather, John

Slivkoff, was a Russian

immigrant who moved

to Vista in, I think, 1915.

Bought a place off of

Foothill and San Clemente. He started in bees. My great-grandfather had bees in Russia. My grandfather started having bees in 1931. I was born in '53, so we had between 40 and 100 colonies on the ranch here in Vista all the time. When I got out of high school, I didn't know what I wanted to do. I moved to Colorado for a while and I came back, and there was an old man, Forrest Thomas, here in Vista who was a beekeeper, and he needed someone to help him for the summer. I started with him. That was 1971, and I've been

doing it ever since. I apprenticed right here on this spot. He used to own this. He got me started with a couple hives. And when my grandfather got too old he gave me all his equipment."

Christensen's operation is called First Fruit Apiaries. "I'm glad some information's getting out that puts us in a good light, because some people are afraid of bees. They don't understand that bees are a necessity. Most of our food comes directly because of bees. If we don't have bees, the fruit that does develop on our trees — or our





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melons or squash or whatever — doesn't have the size, the shape, the abundance of produce. The bees are necessary. If we don't have bees in avocados, for instance, we don't get a crop. They scream for bees in avocados. They scream for bees in almonds. California is the biggest almond producer. Eighty percent of all the almonds in the world are produced in California because of the bees. Plums, apples, pears, cantaloupes, alfalfa for raising cattle. If you don't have the bees, you don't have the crop.

"It's a very expensive business to start," Christensen said. "If you were to get started, it would probably take, right now, to get what I have, a million dollars at least, because it's \$100 a colony. Then you've got all the extra boxes. They're going to cost you about \$15 to \$20 apiece, depending on the condition. Then you have to have a building. You have to have trucks.



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tensen estimated that he'd spent \$3000 on queens last year. If Christensen were

purchasing queens from Suki Glenn, his cost would be exponentially higher. Suki and her husband Tom live in De Luz, where they own and operate Glenn Apiaries, a business that specializes in honeybee queens.

"We've been working together in the bee business since 1987," Suki said. "When I was in college I had a roommate who had a beehive. and I just got interested in it. My brother had worked for a beekeeper when he was in high school, so I was already predisposed to that. Just started it as a hobby, having a few hives and selling the honey and selling equipment. It



started out as a hobby and it grew into a business.

"I was in college at Fullerton. I was studying to be a teacher. I was an anthropology major. Tom was in college and became interested in bees and decided he would rather pursue a career in beekeeping. He worked for a lot of different commercial people and learned all the different facets of the bee business. He decided to raise queens because that appealed to him most. It was kind of happenstance. His parents had had a beehive when he was in high school. Bees kind of intrigued him. He started reading The ABC and XYZ of Bee Culture, and I had also studied the same book, which is a classic in beekeeping. We met through the bees."

Before Africanized bees arrived in California, the Glenns' queens sold for \$5.50 to \$12 apiece. But now, Suki said, "The price has changed. The queens are \$75, or \$250 for a breeder queen." The price has changed, but the quality of bees they raise has changed too.

"After the Africanized honeybees came," Suki said, "we made an announcement to the bee world that we were no longer going to be raising naturally mated queens. We had been selling up to 20,000 queens a year, with just the two of us doing the work. It was a good business. We just decided that it was not moral to send off anything that could possibly be Africanized."

Africanized bees, a cross of the European honey bee and an African strain, were created in the 1950s by scientists in Brazil and inadvertently released. By 1990, their presence in the United States, in Texas, had been verified.





They are aggressive, often dangerous bees that make no more honey than gentler bees.

To be sure that he has no Africanized drones, Tom Glenn prevents his drones from free-flying. "Normally when drones are allowed to free-fly," Suki said, "they can drift from hive to hive, which means not only can our drones drift out of our colonies, it also means that other drones could drift in. And if there were Africanized drones in the area, they could drift

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into your hives, and you are then inadvertently doing what you don't want to do. Tom's developed a system that's pretty bomb-proof."

Suki described how Tom instrumentally inseminates queen bees: "Very carefully," she said, laughing. "Through a microscope. It's a technique that's been around for about 50 years. You have to collect the drones. There is a procedure where you have to squeeze their abdomen, and their penis comes out. Then you have to

squeeze it again a special way, and then the penis will invert. When it does that, there is a tiny bit of semen on it, and he uses a pipette sort of thing, a syringe, and that draws the semen into the syringe. He collects about a hundred drones for this, and he has to extract all the semen from the drones. He has the queens ready. They are put in a special little tube and are given a small dose of CO₂ that will knock them out. Then he has to put them in a special holder in the

instrumental insemination device. He's got a microscope so he can look down, and there are little hooks that come around and open her up very gently. You have to learn how to put the syringe with the drone semen in her correctly. He usually mixes the drone semen from all the different drones so he has a good gene pool. It keeps a lot of genetic diversity in the bees. "Semen can be

stored up to six months at room temperature. It's very stable, but it's always better to use it fresher. People can ship it. In some places you are not allowed to import the queens, but maybe you are allowed to import the semen. Some people just buy the semen, like in Hawaii. They don't allow any other bees in there, but they will allow the semen in."

Not only do the



bees that are hardy and less prone to disease. "Tom had wanted to improve our own breeding stock," Suki said, "to be able to select better through instrumentally inseminated queens. That was his main goal. The bee population has been really devastated by verroa mites and tracheal mites. We are trying to improve the breeding stock within the U.S. to get bees that are more naturally hygienic so they don't get the diseases. We are trying to have more of a genetic solution versus pesticides and miticides. We are committed to making the bees stronger within themselves so they can take care of the pests without having to resort to chemicals in the hives, which actually

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weaken the population over time. That's kind of our mission statement."

The Glenns stop breeding queens in October and take a three- to four-month break while the bees winter. During that time, they maintain their 500 to 700 colonies, and by March they are selling queens again. "We sell a lot in Texas, Florida, and California," Suki said. "Southern California is the ideal place to raise queens, because we can have queens ready to sell in March. Most other people wouldn't have them ready till April."

Robb Littrell, 32, is based in Imperial Valley but keeps bees seasonally in San Diego County. Like Rex Christensen,

Littrell comes from a long line of beekeepers and learned the art from his grandfather and father. "I've been doing bees all my life. I think I was 24 or 25 when I got my grandfather's bees. My dad is also a beekeeper. I remember working in the summers, you know, pulling honey, working the bees, stuff like that. I was a stacker. That's how I got started. I stacked the frames with all the honey in them."

Littrell, who operates Beez N A Boxx, supplements his queens' diet during the fall. "Around October we feed corn syrup with brewer's yeast, a pollen substitute. It makes the queen lay and keeps feed in them

so they won't starve."

Christensen also supplements his bees through fall and over the winter. "After the harvest season, the bees are kind of down. They've really pushed hard, so we're going to start feeding with supplements to get them prepared. We'll start building the bees up and making sure they make it through the winter."

The fall is also a time to examine the hives and repair the boxes, lids, and pallets. Hives are repainted. In the fall and spring, beekeepers check to see if they have bad queens. One indication of a bad queen is if the larvae are scattered about on a comb — called scatter

brood. Another sign is low honey production in a hive that's located where other hives are flourishing. This is a tipoff that the queen is not laying any brood. Littrell, who has from 900 to 1300 colonies of bees over the course of a year, said, "We mark the bad queens and kill them, and we either let the hive raise their own new queen or we buy a new one."

Christensen, like many other commercial beekeepers, does not let the hive raise a new queen. "We used to let them free mate, but this area is Africanized now so I get all my queens from Northern California and Hawaii, up around the Chico and

Redding areas. Some of the first queens I get in Hawaii and some of the last queens I get in Hawaii, because they have kind of a perpetual spring over there. They come better. They're coming out of an area where there's a nectar flow, and they're ready to go. If you get queens from an area that's out of production and they're supplementing with sugar syrup, the queens' health isn't as good." The queens are shipped UPS.

Some beekeepers split colonies in the autumn. For Littrell, dividing the colony is one of the most enjoyable parts of beekeeping. "You're looking at all the bees moving around. You look for the queen.

You see all the eggs and stuff like that. I think that's the best part because you are actually in the hive."

"Around November and December," Littrell said, "you start counting your numbers and getting ready for the next season."

"We lose between 15 and 30 percent of our colonies over the winter," Christensen said, "and you never know if they have diseases and mites. Some of the queens have been overworked the year before and don't make it through.

"After Christmas," Christensen continued, "when the days start getting longer, the queen will start laying more eggs and prepare the

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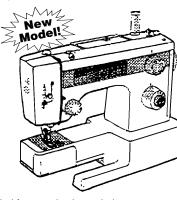
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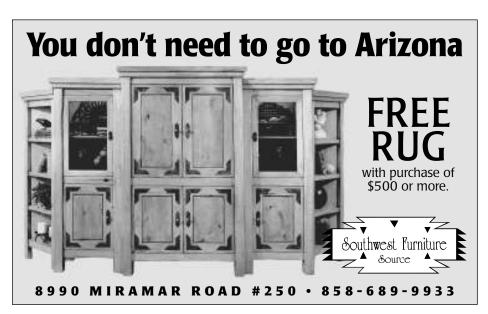
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"The queen is the sensor of the hive," Nichols said, "and she will not do anything until she thinks there is a honey flow coming. She'll lay very rapidly, building up for this honey flow that she's anticipating. How she does this, don't ask us."

Early in February, Nichols, Christensen, and Littrell move their bees to almond groves. "We always take everything we can up to that," Nichols said, "because it pays good money. Without bees in the almond grove you wouldn't get any almonds." Nichols and Christensen truck their hives to the San Joaquin Valley. Nichols hauls "512 hives on a run. We make as many as ten runs going to the San Joaquin Valley."

"They go into the almond bloom," Christensen said, "and the queen really kicks in and the bees start building their numbers. They start bringing all the pollen and nectar to supplement the feed. They change dramatically from the winter, and they'll build up to a very strong, high strain. The bees don't make any

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honey for us to take off there, but they get stronger."

The bees stay in the almonds for about five weeks. Then beekeepers move their hives to other crops. "There are 123 different crops in California that benefit from bee pollination," Nichols said.

Littrell goes "to San Diego County or Riverside, into the avocados. We put bees in avocados in Temecula, De Luz, Fallbrook, Valley Center, and the Pala Mountains. That's during March. Also in March we do cantaloupes and watermelons in the Imperial Valley."

Christensen takes his bees "into citrus or into the brush. Along the coastal areas there are mustards. We'll go into Riverside County in the citrus and start making orange honey around the first of April."

"I think any beekeeper lives for the spring," Nichols said, "when you see that new honey coming in. It's such a great thing to see a hive build up and start to harvest honey."

Once the bees have built up their numbers and strength, they begin making honey that can be harvested. Christensen starts harvesting "about the tenth of May, sometimes it's the first of May, with the citrus, and then we go into button sage. That's through June. And then sumac. If we get enough rainfall we'll make buckwheat. And then this time of year" — in August — "you never know, we might make stuff from the residential areas red apple, certain trees." Last year it seemed like "everything just came in at once because of the weather. Every year's



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Another problem, Rojas said, is that "The beeswax ones break in the extractors because the honey is heavy and will blow out the wax comb into a lot of pieces — a big mess."

A beekeeper can tell when the honey is ready because the top of each cell in the comb will be capped in white. "We call it frosting," said Nichols.

When harvesting the honey, beekeepers must

leave an ample supply for the bees, especially during the winter months. A colony should have 15 to 20 pounds of honey in reserve at all times of the year.

Honey is removed from the comb through centrifugal force created by an extractor. The wax cappings are sliced off, the comb is placed in the extractor, and the honey is spun out. The professional beekeepers then put the honey in large tanks, and later it's poured into 55-gallon barrels. Each barrel holds 650 pounds of honey.

Nichols sells his honey to Sue Bee Honey Co-Op, Littrell to American Honey Company in El Centro, and Christensen to Miller's Honey Company in Colton. Last year, Nichols said, was "what we would call an average year." He expected to "do probably 300,000 pounds of honey out of this operation."

The hobbyists and sideliners bottle their honey for personal use or to sell in small quantities. "People come and buy it from me," Bob Madsen said. "I sell it to them for a buck and a half a pound. That kind of helps pay for my gasoline. It doesn't pay for my time or anything, but it helps out. It's all word of mouth. I don't advertise and I don't peddle — I don't go to the farmer's markets and peddle my honey. I do go over and see it, and some of that stuff that I'm selling for \$1.50 is like \$6.00 there."

Madsen keeps bees primarily for his own health, but also to help others with health ailments or swarming problems. "I get a lot of pleasure knowing that the honey that I make makes people happy, and in a lot of cases it heals people. It heals young people that have asthma, especially if they live within a ten-mile radius of where the honey is gathered. Take about a teaspoon a day in the morning, and after about a year you don't need to eat the honey anymore and you don't have the asthma. It just disappears. It's kind of creepy. It really works."

Madsen's hives are in Chula Vista and Jamul, and he calls his honey "city wildflower." "The honey that I have here changes color at different times of the year. I get some very unusual-



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"Producing honey's a lot like making wine," Christensen said. "Every year the flavor's a little different. The amount you make is different. The color is different."

All three professional beekeepers have longstanding agreements with property owners to place bees on their land at different seasons, but with the increased population and building in Southern California, land for bees is disappearing.

"In L.A. County, I

forget what the numbers were, something like 36,000 acres of oranges," Nichols said. "I heard the other day it's less than 100 acres of oranges left in L.A. County, so you don't make any orange blossom honey is what it amounts to. The whole thing has changed so much. The population development and this sort of thing. Some of our best locations that we had were very, very close to the coast. Some of them were within a mile of the ocean. All of those have gone into housing developments, so we have none of them left. We are working more inland now."

"San Diego County is a very productive area," Christensen said. "Now it's getting hard to find a place to put bees, and there's a lot of stress on the bees from us having to move the bees as much as we do. San Diego is a problematic area because you've got million-dollar homes right next to these big agricultural areas that need bees. People move in and they don't understand it and they get irate." According to Christensen, residents fear Africanized bees in particular. If there are complaints, most often the beekeeper must move the bees. "Eventually, I suspect there will be very little beekeeping in San Diego County," he said. "You can see the writing on the wall, with the problems with

Africanization and that bad P.R. and so much urbanization."

To stay in business and make a profit, beekeepers must contend not only with urban sprawl, but with disease, bad weather, and even wildfires.

"About eight or nine years ago we got mites real bad," Madsen said. "Well, it was about '92. It just knocked about 80 percent of all the bees in California and just killed them all. There are two different types of mites: verroa mites and tracheal mites. They really, really ravage a colony of bees. "And then, of

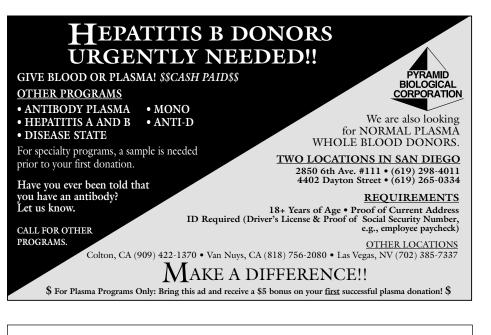
course, you have your wax moths," Madsen continued. "The larvae

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eat the wax and the box and the frames and everything else. If you're an amateur, like I was years ago — I opened up a box and it looked like chocolate chip ice cream. It was just a mess of webbing and little black spots all over it. The wax moths had laid their eggs, and the larvae just eat everything right up. They target the protein, which is the bee bread. And they ravage all the wax too. All that's left is this oozing, creepy, sticky webbing, just like a silkworm would make. My first experience was in the early '70s. I didn't know what it was. I went up and talked to Henry Knorr, and he said, 'Oh, those are wax moths. A weak colony can be

attacked by the moths very easily, and you can lose the whole works. The bees can't function. They can't do their jobs.' "

"We have our good, good years," Nichols said, "and we have our good years, and we have our really lousy years. We've had too many lousy years lately. The rainfall really hurts us. [Last] year we had normal rainfall, and it helped an awful lot. When we get a really heavy rainfall, it makes a difference in the honey that we produce that comes from the brush. In other words, this is the stuff that's in the mountains. It's the sages and buckwheats and sumacs. [Last] year



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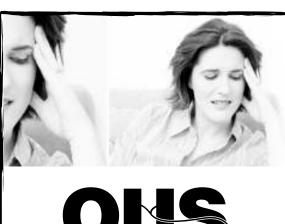


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everything was going great, and then we had a lousy June because of all the overcast and dreary weather. And when July came around, it got so hot so fast it kind of shut off the production of the buckwheat and the sumac, so we didn't make what we should have on that."

Christensen, Littrell, and Nichols all mentioned the aggravation of trucks and forklifts getting stuck in the mud in February and the cost of having equipment towed out of the almond groves.

In 1996, Christensen had hives on land that was burned in the Harmony Grove fire. "I lost 600 hives in the Harmony Grove fire," Christensen said. "That just about wiped me out. I only had 1200 colonies. I was in Central America, and I came back. It was all burned up. It was all new equipment. The insurance covered \$25,000, and it was plus the [honey] crop. I had to go out and buy bees that were a little inferior. But we made it." Then there is the

problem of messing with the bees. Beekeepers use smokers, a small stainless-steel device with a bellows attached to blow smoke into the hive, which calms the bees but does not guarantee complacence. Bee suits, designed to give the beekeeper optimum protection, aren't always beeproof, and not all beekeepers wear them. Littrell never has. "I just wear the veil," he said. "I wear a long-sleeved shirt and pants. That's about it. They still sting through your shirt."

Madsen wears a bee suit part of the time. "Yesterday I was working with bees," he said, "and I just had a pair of shorts, a T-shirt, a veil, and gloves. If the bees are real vicious, I wear a complete suit. I have bees here that I have had

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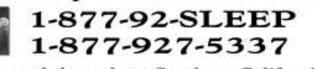
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for years. They just land on me, ricochet off me, and do their thing. Those are the kind of bees you like."

"When we're harvesting honey," Nichols said, "we wear equipment. When you open a hive up, you are exposing honey to the outside world, so to speak. You've got a hive over here next door, and they say, 'Hey, they've got that one open. Let's go and steal some.' They get what we call a robbing tendency going. Sometimes it can get real severe, and you have to wear all your protection - your gloves, your suit, everything."

Whether a beekeeper wears a full bee suit or not, every one of them gets stung from time to time.

"I think that I've been stung as many as 50 times in one day," said Nichols. "It's something that happens. It's part of working with the bees. You accept it. One of the things about getting stung by anything probably 95 percent of it is the shock value and 5 percent's the actual sting. We've eliminated the shock value. All you have is a little pain, and as many years as I've been working with them, I still swell a little and they still hurt."

According to Rojas and Nichols, bees can detect adrenaline. "The bees are the same as the dog," Rojas said. "If you are afraid of the dog, the dog is going to bark. He is going to try to impress you. And bees are the same. They have the sensitivity to smell you if you have a little discharge of adrenaline. The best way to go with bees is very slow and very sure of your moves. Don't move quick. Don't wave your hands in front of them or in front of your face. Just let them go by. If you are waving your hands or moving quickly, you are telling them that you are ready to fight. They react and go all over you."

"Over the years," Nichols said, "I think one of the main things I've learned from bees is to kind of calm down and take things the way

they are. You get excited, you lose your temper around bees, and they know it. When you lose your temper, your adrenaline count goes up and your body puts out an odor and the bees can sense that odor and they'll just sting the hell out of you. You have to try to calm down and say, 'Well, that's the way it's gonna be, you know,' and you work with them. It calms you down. You very seldom see a beekeeper who is a real hyper person. They just can't work with them. You very seldom see a beekeeper who is an alcoholic. I think the fact that you're working with nature and the beauty of nature to start out with and seeing

what's done with a simple little insect, it changes your outlook on things."

When Madsen assists people with swarms, he exposes himself to unknown bees. "I had a friend of mine call me up," he recalls, "and say, 'Hey, I was over in San Carlos. One of my friends down the street has some bees. Can you come and get the bees?' I said, 'What size is the swarm?' 'Oh, it's about three foot tall.' I thought, 'Wow!' 'And it's about 24 inches in diameter.' I thought, 'My God. That's humungous.' They're usually about the size of a baseball. It's been about 17 years ago that this happened. So I went over there and took two

boxes, two regular boxes to put them in that had an organized box with frames and foundation ready for them. When I got these bees, it took me two boxes. I take them; I bring them down here. I observe the bees for a day or two before I take them out to the yard. I'm just walking across my back yard, and, wow, they just nail me. I thought, 'These guys are history." An older beekeeper, Bob Collins, that Madsen shared a bee vard with said, "Oh, no. Don't kill 'em. Let's just take 'em to the yard, and we'll re-queen 'em." Madsen said, "Well, that was a bad idea, because we took them to the yard and every time we drove into the yard, they'd





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attack the truck. It was that bad. They'd sting the tires and the windshield wiper blades. They'd hit the windshield and the side windows like heavy hail. That's what these bees sounded like. Bob Collins, he just passed away this year, said, 'Oh, no. Leave 'em, leave 'em. We'll get some queens.' That didn't happen. The queens didn't come. You'd drive out to the yard, and it was not a pleasure to work the yard because you had these guys on you all the time. I took a Weed Eater to keep a nice firebreak around the yard and the colonies. These bees would attack the Weed Eater, and they attacked with such vengeance that they blew the engine up on the Weed Eater. It was an expensive piece of equipment. These were very clearly Africanized bees, with capital letters, and that was long before the big panic about

Africanized bees. Finally I just killed them because I couldn't take it any longer."

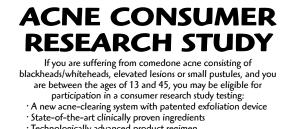
The biggest threat to beekeeping in San Diego may be that it's a lot of hard work. "There are not too many of us left," Christensen said. "The young people are not doing it, because it's hard work. They're doing something that's easier. It takes a long time to get to the point where you can make it. Some people just don't have the

staying power." "It's just awful hard

to find people who will work with the bees," Nichols concurred. "Let's put it this way, it's a lot of manual labor working with bees. A lot of people don't want to put out manual labor anymore."

"It takes sometimes as much as five years' preparation, looking ahead as far as places to put bees," Christensen said. "You look at the climate and the plants. They've taught me a lot

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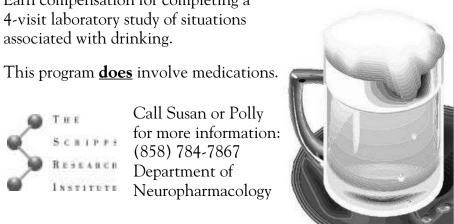
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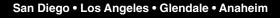
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who can stay are the winners. The people that don't plan ahead, they're out doing something else.

"It's a big gamble," Christensen went on. "You're depending on the weather. You're depending on if a bulldozer's going to come in and knock over your bees — because of building, you might get a call saying you no longer have a place. You're depending on if your trucks are going to make it, because you're moving a long way. "If you have a

"If you have a smooth year and everything goes and you have a good crop and the price is up and you have bees to make it through to next year, you can sit back, take a deep breath, and say, 'Well, we made it. We made some honey. We paid the bills. We have our lifestyle.'

"Our lifestyle is a lot different than most people's," Christensen continued. "It's kind of like the old cowboy lifestyle. We're out herding these bees all over the place. We get out on the open ranges. We see a lot of farm country, a lot of open land. People give us their land or lease us land to put bees on, and we have acres and acres and acres that sometimes we even partially manage that isn't ours. We get to see it go through the seasons. We get to be out at night and see stuff that most people don't see. We're moving bees. We have to load them. They're out flying in the day. We wait till early dusk or morning sometimes, depending

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"It's not always an easy life," Suki Glenn said. "Things don't work all the time. It's the vagary of working with nature. It can be wonderful, and it can be devastating." ■ — Shari McCullough

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A: gd idea A: like ppl. should wear army stuff B: i dno cuz thats not very respectful 2 the soldiers in iraq A: ya, actually A: gr8t thinking A: we should just do it @ mel's B: ok *B*: but remember the last 1 got a lil out of hand A: but should we invite Carolina? *B*: no ew shes such a whore A: ya A: but she's like still our friend B: not MY friend A: duh, ok A: I just thought he might like to c her b/f he leaves, ya no? *B*: but then theyd prob. hook ^ and we wouldnt see them all night en ways A: lol A: seriously *A*: & w/ layla there, she might totally flip B: she always tries 2 steal ppls crushes

B: ya true A: I know *B*: besides like everyone knows i like him *B*: and she would hook \land w/ him just to piss me off B: cuz shes like that B: stupid ho A: totally A: don't ya think layla would geta little mad that u like him if she found out? *B*: well don't tell her duh A: I mean do u remember wht she did to me? A: duh *B*: ya that was rough B: but still he never even liked her A: tell me about it A: I know A: it's just cause she's like not bad looking *B*: he was drunk when he told her he loved her A: ick B: yeah but have u ever looked @ her shoulders they're kind of lopsided B: so shes not even THAT pretty A: lolA: that break^ was so

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Bipolar Disorder Study

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

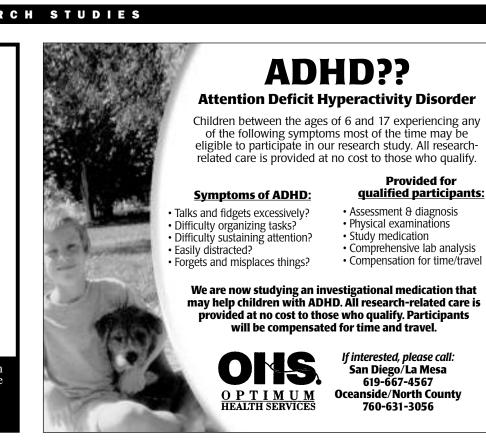
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A: you will not believe what I just heard: *B:* yeah.. A: Ella is pregnant with, get this, JOHN'S BABY B: what?! are you serious? A: I KNOW B: no no John couldn't do that A: it is like so so so so so so crazy A: I know *B*: wait would he? B: and ELLA?! A: EXACTLY B: when? *B*: the antiparty? A: no

B: or the BEACH!? A: lol, no A: *****'s birthday party A: I guess they got bored *B:* no way... ooo when they left? B: decided to make their night a little more interesting? A: THEY DIDN"T EVEN LEAVE B := -OA: they did it in ****'s bedroom!!!!! *B*: ****? A: remember? A: the party was at her house

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B: i bet ***** was

A: exactly

drugged her

A: PROBABLY

B: i'm guessing he

A: he's such a jerk

A: thus earning his

A: omg, I just can't get

B: i can't believe he'd do

that to such a good sweet

A: Ella is pregnant

A: can't say

A: lo siento

B: of course

A: good

A: GOOD

B: ok

B: who'd you hear it

from!? did Ella tell you?

A: totally confidential

B: we need to protect the

sources, understandable

A: by the way, no repeat-

B: i wouldn't even think

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ing what we say here

B: John the jerk

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B: exactly

A: hahaha

over this!

girl

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B: has she told John yet? A: this convo is NOT going anywhere A: I hope so *B*: i wonder how he'll take it A: God, I HATE that kid A: I mean he's John and I love him, but... B: he has complete disregard for anyone's feelings A: I know A: he is so selfish A: I bet, when she told him, he didn't even ask about how she was feeling B: he's probably going "not my problem" B: the jerk A: I know A: so typical A: mabey we should like give her a present to, you know, to show support B: good idea A: like a prenatal yoga tape, maybe *B*: so the baby can zone in front of the yoga tapes rather than the television A: VERY FUNNY

B• haha B: i've gottttta go call Ella A: oh, I guess, I should tell you now A: FYI A: ELLA IS NOT PREGNANT B: WHAT? B: i can believe you'd abuse my trust!!!! A: hahahahahahahahahhahahaha A: sorry A: well I'm not really sorry B: i don't think we can talk anymore A: haha *B*: and you'd just use real people like Ella and John? A: haha *B*: how do you think they'd feel? A: why not? *A:* they wouldn't care *B*: and how would you know that? A: I don't A: but it was funny A: ok, well byebye *B*: byebye ■

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Another Boston trader anchored in the bay? That's four in the last three years. What is this, a plague?

And the captain will need wood, provisions. Or his ship may have sprung a leak and must remain in the bay to refit. All the while the crew will sneak off and trade for sea otter pelts with the padres and Indians. Then the ship will sail to Canton, where it will sell the pelts, the "royal fur of China," for a king's ransom in porcelain, silks, carved chests,

b y Jeff Smith

and quicksilver. Between 1800 and 1803, Lt. Manuel Rodriguez, commandant of the San

Diego Presidio, heard that story four times. He also witnessed a slow transition: a flea-infested, forlorn outpost promised wealth ---from the pelts of sea otters — if the smugglers could linger long enough to make contacts on shore. Historians claim the first years of the 19th Century in San Diego were relatively peaceful. Ask Lt. Rodriguez, who earned 550 pesos a year trying to maintain a precarious order, and he'd swear he was cursed to live in interesting times.

Son of a wealthy merchant family, Rodriguez came to California in 1795 as

a cadet, a "gentleman obliged to live on soldier's pay," sponsored by his uncle Carcaba. He rose quickly in the ranks, serving as acting commandant of the San Diego Presidio from August 23, 1799, to early 1803, when he became commandant, at age 37. During those years he tried to rebuild the dilapidated presidio. Letters to Governor Arrillaga in Loreto complain that fortifications were crumbling, that an earthquake - on November 22, 1800 - cracked several buildings, including the warehouse.

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Rodriguez was convinced that Presidio Hill, overlooking a river and two bays, was the most windswept promontory in creation. Constant gusts lashed the westfacing walls and hurtled roof tiles across the square. These smashed into the church, or the cemetery, near the east wall, or into anyone happening to be out and about.

In a letter to Arrillaga, January 13, 1802, Rodriguez admits giving up on restoration. Adobe was eroding, timber crumbling: "Daily repairs are made to this presidio due to the circumstances of its poor location and being the oldest of all such establishments." He demanded a new one, built somewhere else - anywhere, as long as it was closer to water and wood and on much flatter ground. He also requested "professors of the art" to do the job, since the local architect, who never ordered enough adobe or lumber, had no idea

where to start.

By 1803, almost 200 people lived in the compound. An open square — 300 feet to a side — with buildings at the walls, the presidio was roughly the size of a large city block. One or two dwellings had been built outside by then, but it wasn't until the early 1820s that people moved down to what would become Old Town. California presidios were

the equivalent of exile for a soldier. Of the 60 soldiers here at San Diego, 13 were "invalidos," unable to work. Some were wounded but most were retirees who had served two six- to eight-year hitches and lived on pensions that would make today's military envious.

One class of soldiers, the distinguidos, would not work at all. Distinguished for bravery, they were exempt not just from petty labor but even from physical punishment. Those soldiers who could, refused to work on the presidio itself. The labor was too intense, the pay too low. Complained Corporal Periquez: "Slaves could not have been treated worse."

Mission Indians did much of the work, for a pittance they had to share with the padres. Unbaptized Indians also worked for low wages. This ranged from bringing water from the river in clay pots and leather buckets - like hauling stones up a mountain — to manual repair of the buildings.

Added to problems of grumbling soldiers and understandably irate natives,



San Diego Presidio

Rodriguez's command was subject to two forms of discipline: military (always difficult to enforce) and religious. The brownclad friars chosen to build missions in Nueva California were "Observants," the most strict of the Franciscan order. From Father Serra down, they embraced hardship. Anything that tormented the flesh brought them closer to God. In their eyes, military discipline was not severe enough.

'San Diego got good commanders," says historian Jack Williams, "because they were needed. In 1800, San Diego was frontier, a no-man's-land. Nothing was secure. and would be ambushed if they ventured beyond them. Even the path from the presidio to the anchorage near Cobblestone Point, much of which was marshland, could be a danger zone."

When George Vancouver visited in 1794, he found San Diego desolate, poorly defended, "the least of the Spanish establishments." His boat had anchored just

QUOTATIONS:

1. Adele Ogden: "The commercial opening of the Pacific Ocean was begun because of man's desire for the fur of an animal."

as a floating advertisement, bringing more and more foreign vessels which otherwise would have stayed away."

2. Max Miller: "The Spaniards would have preferred that there were no otters. The otters were serving

3. Sullivan Dorr, of Dorr Shipping, on American smugglers distrusting each other: "There is ample field for villainv here."

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east of Punta de Guijarros ("Cobblestone Point"; today's Ballast Point). A fort built at the base of Guijarros, he said, would render San Diego "a place of considerable strength."

Under Rodriguez's

direction, work began on the fortified structure in 1797. Indian labor mixed mud and straw for thick adobe walls, on the seaward side. Lumber came from Monterey, tiles from San Luis Rey. By 1800, the fort had between six and ten cannons facing the channel. One, a bronze nine-pounder from Manila, was nicknamed "El Jupiter."

Beginning in 1800, four "trading" ships from Boston sailed past the small fort and

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anchored east of Ballast Point in ten fathoms of water. In 1803, El Jupiter was fired in anger at the fourth ship.

The first ship rounded Point Loma on August 25, 1800. Tall masts and billowing white sails were such

a rare sight that many in the presidio rode to Guijarros to take a better look. A Boston brigantine — 65 feet long, 104 tons, a female figurehead, and a crew of 19—the Betsy was the first American ship to enter San Diego

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Bay. Its captain, Charles Winship, exchanged formal military bows with Rodriguez. Winship said he'd been to Hawaii - which he pro-

and the north. He was headed for China but needed wood and water. Winship, his supercargo (the ship's business agent) Joseph O'Cain, and first mate John Brown negotiated with Rodriguez. Though under orders not to permit foreign trade on Spanish soil, Rodriguez followed international maritime law. He'd supply wood and water, and the crew could come ashore — but only to exercise at the beach. They couldn't visit the presidio or fraternize with local inhabitants.

The Betsy remained in San Diego harbor for ten days. Rodriguez supplied its needs. After cordial farewells, the ship sailed, allegedly for China.

The second Boston ship, the Enterprise, arrived June 28, 1801. During the interim, Rodriguez had been alerted that the Boston traders might be smugglers. They would come ashore, on some excuse, and deal for furs on the sly.

At 240 tons, a crew of 21, and 10 cannons protruding from its sides, the Enterprise was a formidable sight. The captain, a crusty old sea dog named Ezekiel Hubbell, told Rodriguez he couldn't continue his voyage to China without bread and other foodstuffs. Could he and his crew come ashore?

Yes, said Rodriguez, but only to pick up supplies brought to the ship. To make sure, Rodriguez stationed an ensign onshore, near the anchorage, to watch all movements.

Between June 28 and July 3, the skiffs and jollyboat — a yawl-like sailboat — from the Enterprise made frequent trips. They waved a flag to assure the guard they were only hauling supplies. After taking in six cattle, several pounds of flour, beans, corn, and salt, Captain Hubbell saluted Rodriguez with a flourish and sailed away.

Two potential smugglers in a year: Rodriguez must have felt like a father protecting his daughter's virtue. William Smythe: "If either of these earliest American captains succeeded in doing any illicit trade in San Diego, they kept the secret

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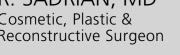
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The skipper of the third ship, the *Alexander*, looked familiar. He was John Brown, first mate on the *Betsy*. As Rodriguez was to learn later, therein hung a tale.

Instead of sailing to China, after leaving San Diego the *Betsy* went south, cruising the lower California coast for furs. In a letter to his brother in Boston, Captain Winship boasted that he'd been stopping in Spanish ports, hoodwinking authorities, and trading for furs with California Indians. He'd exchange trinkets or blue-colored cloth for a pelt worth up to \$80 in China (a dollar in 1803 equals \$12 today; thus each pelt earned close to \$1000). When it reached San Blas, the *Betsy*'s hold was almost full.

To buy time to trade at San Blas, Winship told port officials a northern storm had cracked the ship's main mast. He must repair it in a protected bay. While the ship was staying at San Blas, however, two Spanish vessels arrived. John Brown took the helm. The Betsy pulled up anchor, unfurled sails, and raced out to sea - leaving Captain Winship and Joseph O'Cain on the beach. Instead of coming back for them later, Brown sailed with

the precious cargo to China. Necessity? Mutiny? In

later testimony Brown claimed he fled so that the Spanish ships couldn't seize the pelts. O'Cain argued mutiny and demanded unsuccessfully — his share of the profits. Winship had no say. He died of sunstroke at San Blas, December 4, 1800. He was 23.

Among Winship's possessions, Spanish authorities found the letter to his brother, bragging about his smuggling activities. All ports along the California coast got a warning: Winship had been "hiding the truth in his declaration" of need. Other Boston traders might be as well.

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When the 67-foot, 14-gun Enterprise entered San Diego Bay at sunset, February 26, 1803, Rodriguez recognized its captain, John Brown. Though he was prepared to hear tales of woe, Rodriguez wasn't ready for this one. Brown presented the frigate's papers to Rodriguez. Then, in a melodramatic gush, Brown blurted out that 9 of his 19 men had scurvy. If they couldn't convalesce on land, they'd surely die.

Rodriguez was torn. Duty said 'Sail off'; compassion said otherwise. The stricken crew members could come ashore for eight days, he decided, but only to an isolated spot far from the presidio. They would receive wood, water, beef, and fresh vegetables. The rest of the crew must remain aboard the *Alexander*. There weren't enough Spanish soldiers with him that night, but in the morning Rodriguez would post a six-man guard on the ship. They would keep watch, inspecting every rowboat.

After five quiet days, Rodriguez became suspicious. He and four soldiers rowed to the *Alexander* and conducted a search. In a storeroom next to the main mast, a soldier found stacks of furs, piled to the ceiling.

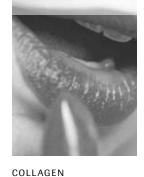
"C o n t r a b a n d !" Rodriguez declared. He ordered his soldiers to toss them onto the deck. By the official count, 491 otter pelts flew out the storeroom door. The commandant took them to the presidio and locked them in the warehouse. He also demanded that the *Alexander* leave at once.

How did the skins get onboard? Was Rodriguez's six-man guard in collusion with Captain Brown? Were the nine sailors on shore less "isolated" — and less stricken with scurvy — than they seemed? Their bonfire could have been a beacon for friars and Indians eager to trade. Wanting to believe the best, and protecting his reputation as a leader, Rodriguez wrote that the contraband must have come aboard that first night, when

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he couldn't post a guard on the ship.

A partial answer comes from letters written to Governor Arrillaga shortly after the Alexander affair. A friar from San Luis Rey requested the 170 pelts a mission Indian sold to the Bostonians. This was the first evidence that some padres were in league with the traders.

In the second letter, Corporal Onofre Villaoa demanded either the return of 223 furs he "pretended" to sell to the frigate or double their value ("conque le *cobron dobles*") in goods or cash.

Neither got his wish. The case went to court. It remained unresolved so long that the furs began to rot, the stench creeping through cracks in the warehouse. By the time a ruling had been made, the pelts had decayed so badly they stunk up the entire presidio. Rodriguez ordered them dumped in the bay.

Magdalen Coughlin: The fur trade grew because "the people wanted the things Spanish sources simply were

not supplying. Also, California was the farthest removed from the seat of authority in Mexico, affording an opportunity for officials to supplement considerably their meager salaries. Without either adequate coastal patrol or presidial garrisons, what could an official's attitude be but "¿quien sabe?' " — who knows? "It was like fighting a plague with a fly swatter."

Rodriguez had become wary of foreign ships and allies: who knows where a friar or a soldier might stand? And now, just two weeks after the Alexander fled the bay, another Boston brigantine has anchored near Guijarros? That's the fourth in three years! What is this?

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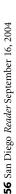
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1 How does it work? 2 Who is a candidate? **3** Is it painful? **5** After the treatments In 1977 I was living with my fiancé Rick, a Marine helicopter pilot who worked night maneuvers and slept days. I was assistant manager at a delicatessen.

Rick was sweet, gentle, and a great lover. He was attentive and often brought flowers, cards, and gifts to show his affection.

My high school girlfriend Carolee became a constant visitor at our place. Soon she was having Rick work on her car and often borrowed his. She asked questions about what kind of lover he was and about his likes and dislikes. She began to dress to mimic styles he liked on me. I wore his favorite perfume and she started wearing the same fragrance.

One day I came home from work, trying to be quiet so I wouldn't wake Rick, knowing he had to work later that evening. When I came in, Rick was holding a teary-eyed only one home to help me. She was trying to assure me Rick was too young for the added responsibility

SCHEMING VIXEN and that this was a blessing in disguise.

Carolee and explained Carolee was no longer able to live with her parents due to her mother's alcohol problem, and she'd come to *him* to ask if she could stay in the spare bedroom!

At this time I was two months late on my period but had not told Rick I was sure I was pregnant.

I kept trying to keep Carolee away from Rick in whatever way I could, but between work and morning sickness, she managed to get her hooks in him.

One day I miscarried the baby, and Carolee was the

Sometime the next week, Rick and I were supposed to go to dinner since it was his night off. I came home and got ready to go out; he and Carolee came in hours later. They were laughing and obviously drunk. Carolee was carrying a kite.

Rick tried to apologize for forgetting our dinner

date, mumbling that they'd been at the lake flying a kite and they'd gone out for dinner. (It was snowing!)

At this point I told them I wanted her out of my apartment. (It was in Rick's and my name.) I said that when I got home from work the next day, I didn't want so much as a trace of her hair on my brush.

When I came home from work, I got the shock of my life. All *my* stuff was packed. Boz Scaggs was on the stereo singing, "*Why can't you get it through your head* — *it's over now. Yes*, *you heard me clearly now*, *I said, it's over, it's over now.*" Rick put his arms

around me and said he was sorry, but he and Carolee fell in love. Carolee, smirking in the background, said they were getting married. I barely remember

opening the window, taking off my engagement ring, and throwing it out onto the snow-covered lawn.

After an ugly scene, I threw my clothes in the car and cleaned out my bank account and headed for Florida (where I didn't know a soul).

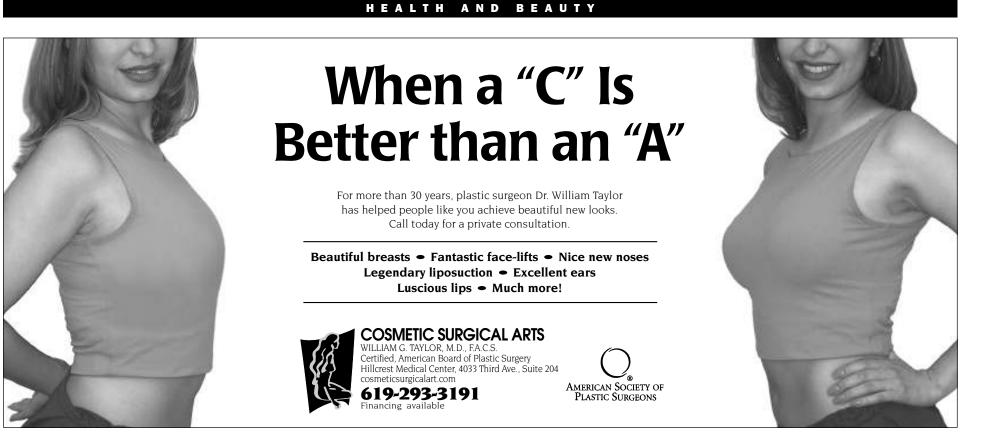
I stayed there for four months and then ended up driving back to Chicago due to an illness in my family.

The first week back I ran into an old girlfriend of mine and Carolee's and Rick's. I said I was staying with my parents for a couple weeks. That same night, this girl, "J.J.," came to my parents' home and practically begged me to go out for drinks at a bar we used to go to a lot. I reluctantly agreed to go, though once I arrived, I saw many old friends and danced and had fun.

The waitress brought me a drink and said it was from a gentleman in the corner who wanted to talk to me. When I turned to wave a "thank-you," I saw it was Rick. My friend J.J. said the reason she brought me to the club was that she knew Rick would be there that night.

As Rick walked toward me, I began to panic and tried to escape to the ladies' room. He caught up to me and began talking so fast, "God, I'm *so-o-o* sorry, I was so wrong, please, please talk to me."

I went to the ladies' room and tried to compose myself, and when I came out, he was right there waiting for me. He grabbed my hand and led me to the dance floor, where we held each other and looked into each other's eyes until we both had tears running





down our cheeks.

We ended up going outside since it was too noisy there to talk. He asked if he could drive me home, and I said yes — though he drove to his home, his and his wife Carolee's home.

He made tender, gentle love to me and asked me to come back to him, telling me losing me was the biggest mistake of his life.

When he dropped me off at my parents' home early the next morning, he asked me to consider everything seriously.

Later that morning I called Carolee and described how I made love to her husband on her jungle-print sheets and gave her vivid details of our evening and conversations. Rick and Carolee deserved each other. Then I made arrangements to move to California and put those two far from my life.

> — Elayne Ketcher, Carlsbad

FIND THE KEYS OR I'LL CUT OFF YOUR ARM!

My best friend introduced me to Trisha (not her real name). She was little, under five feet tall, with curly black hair. I was impressed by her, particularly since she was a locksmith and able to change locks on my front door, so my old roommate wouldn't be able to get his stuff until he coughed up money for bills.

My friend and I were into the club scene and known for throwing parties after the clubs closed. That New Year's Eve, we had 200 people come by. Trisha got drunk and decided to handcuff herself to me. She dragged me around the room. Being intoxicated and anything but amused, I jerked her into the kitchen. I produced a huge butcher knife, explaining that if she didn't find the keys and take off the cuffs, I planned to amputate her arm. Three male friends pried the knife from my hands and begged Trisha to unlock the cuffs. She relinquished the key, and we were free of each other. My party friends were amused and took pictures.

A few weeks after that, she had her boyfriend over for the night. They were kinky, liked "doing it" with her door open so the entire complex could "enjoy." Having to get up at 5:00 a.m., I didn't "enjoy" and got up at 1:00 a.m. to let them know it. Her macho, cowboy, cigar-smoking, hick

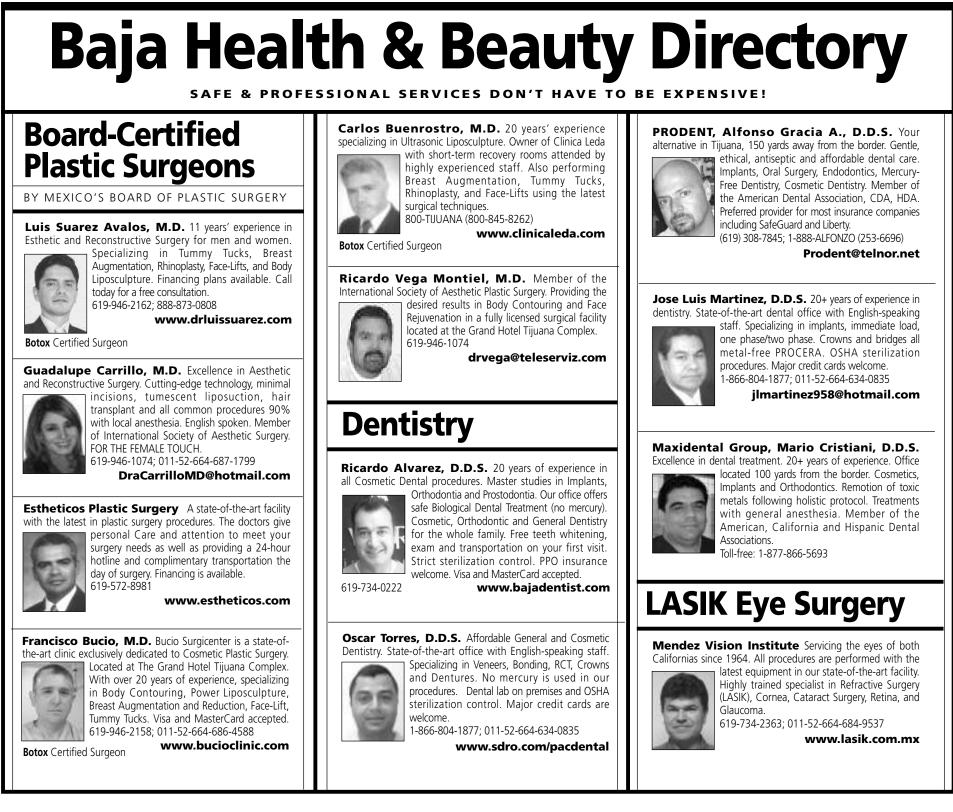
boyfriend took it personally and started pushing me around, telling me what I needed was a good man to kick my ass. I ended up going to neighbors and having them call the police. The cops showed up and took him to jail. I evicted Trisha right then and there...but stupid me, I gave her 45 days to find a new place to live. As the 45 days grew closer, she hadn't even started to pack. Our living situation became strained.

I came home one day and found Trisha burning enough popcorn in my Revereware pot to set off smoke detectors. I lost it. I picked her up by the throat and banged her head repeatedly against the kitchen wall. Once my friend got through the shock of watching this, she let me go.

Trisha finally did move, but not before her best friend came into my place of employment, drunk and swearing away, saying she planned to kick the crap out of me. Of course, I had clients at the time, so this was real professional behavior. She left. I never saw either one of them again. I live alone.

> – Cory Cyr, Escondido

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Between You and Me and the Dust Devils, Okay?

"Stop that shaking! I say,

stop that shaking now!" demanded the 80-year-old woman in a wheelchair strapped to the back of the rural bus as the haggard-looking driver navigated the twisty, lush back roads between Ramona and Santa Ysabel.

"Driver, did you hear me?! Stop shaking this bus!"

"Ma'am," the driver said, both amused and annoyed, "you know very well it's not me; I'm not doing it on purpose, it's this road..."

He sighed and she grunted.

The road, indeed — not to mention bad shocks; I was surprised by the poor condition of the Borrego rural bus the first time I took it in September 1997. The price was right, though: a mere \$3. I caught it at 2:58 p.m. at the Grossmont Trolley Station. I had to call in ahead and reserve a seat. The little shuttle bus could handle 12 people, plus one wheelchair in the back.

"STOP SHAKING THE DAMN BUS!"

"Oh, Rose," said an artist who lived in Ranchita and often went to El Cajon to pick up painting supplies. She would be a regular I'd see on my trips to Borrego over the years. "Stop making trouble! You do this every time."

"There's going to be hell to pay," the

woman mumbled, "you just wait and see…heads will roll and jobs will be lost."

There were five people on the shuttle that day. They all looked at each other with familiar grins. The driver shook his head. I gathered this happened all the time, and in the following years I'd know so.

* * *

The first time I traveled to Borrego was in August 1996, with Christine — she was still married and I was living with someone, but this didn't stop us from a romantic excursion to the desert basin. Neither of us had been there before, but we'd heard a lot about the outermost region of San Diego.

We started from my bungalow in Hillcrest, Highway 163 to Interstate 8 East. At the edge of El Cajon and Lakeside, we took Highway 67 into Ramona. In Ramona, we stopped at the Country Kitchen and had one of the best breakfast plates I've ever tasted. (I was usually poor and broke back then, and any decent meal often tasted better than it was; I have since gone back and determined that while the food is good, it's not as great as my memory would have me believe.) Cowboys tipped their hats to Christine, who was wearing a very short dress, and one handed her a flyer for a



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very spot. I was surprised there were

actual cowboys here, although the many

horses grazing grass and being trans-

ported about should have been obvious

Road into Borrego

clues. Three of them followed us to the car, mumbling and whistling; we ran to the car and got the hell out of Dodge, wondering what kind of place Ramona was. We continued on 67, out of Ramona

and toward Santa Ysabel. There were a number of stores and one post office in the small town. We didn't stop, but I was curious, and in the years that followed, Santa Ysabel would always be a gratified way station on the way to the desert, to take a break, take a piss, and stock up on beef jerky.

From Santa Ysabel, we drove north toward Lake Henshaw and Warner Hot Springs but turned right on Highway S-2, and then left on S-22 — a quick bend you have to watch out for. We missed it, of course, but it didn't take long to realize this.

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S-22 took us into Ranchita. I saw a sign: RANCH FOR SALE.

"I want to buy it," I said. "Wouldn't that be great?"

"What would you call it," asked Christine, "Rancho Hemmingson?"

"Hemchito."

From Ranchita, we descended down the mountains and into the lower desert. The Montezuma Grade is several miles of twisting, turning road that takes about 30 minutes to get into the Borrego Valley. There are many turn-offs where drivers can stop and marvel at all the rock and land, the Salton Sea looming far in the foreground.

Later, I'd hear about all the accidents that happened on this road. I'd understand how easily this could happen: you're driving down, there's so much beauty before you, you can't help but look; you're not paying attention to the road, a truck or RV comes flying around the corner, going up the mountain, brakes screech, and an inevitable impact occurs...

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This is one of the routes the rural bus would take on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; the other way was to go through Julian and Banner Ranch, coming into Borrego from the southeast. This journey, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, was just as picaresque (in that way roads get when you're far from the city) and with as many dangerous, twisty mountain roads through what's called the Banner Grade, situated between Julian and Borrego.

I don't care for driving, which is odd since I used to navigate 60 to 70 miles a day and was even a Yellow Cab Dial-A-Ride driver for a year and a half. But ever since I witnessed the death of Trudi — someone I thought I'd marry and have kids with back in another life — in a car accident in North Park during the late 1980s, I have had a



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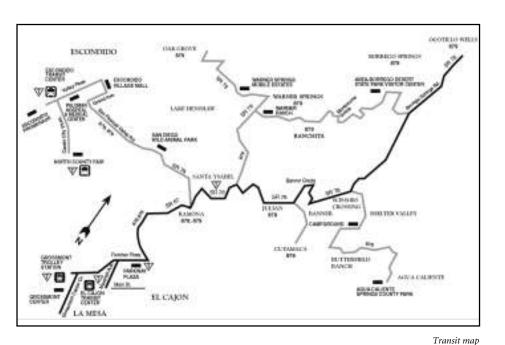
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www.shumwayinstitute.com www.abetterbreastaug.com hard time getting behind a wheel. Oh, I'll do it when I have to, and I've rented many nice vehicles I could never afford and have driven these rented cars and been a passenger in other people's vehicles on my trips into Borrego Springs. But the rural shuttle bus system has been an asset in my journeys to the desert.

This rural bus system, as it existed before 2003, was (and is) a money-losing, tax-payer subsidized service that gets people to and from the "rural" areas of San Diego like Palomar, Agua Caliente Springs, Shelter Valley, Lake Henshaw, Jacumba, and Boulevard. They'll take riders to and pick them up at Parkway Plaza, Grossmont Trolley Station, and North County Fair — this is as far as they



go, where a traveler can hop on another bus or trolley to get to other places in the city. In general, you have to call in and reserve a seat, as there are few seats, and if you just pop up at a designated stop, the driver would have to call in to the dispatcher and record that you were being picked up.

Even the most seasoned public transportation users are surprised about this

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fringe service, not only that it's there, but the price. When people have asked me how much it costs to get to Borrego Springs, I tell them, "Three bucks. Two, with a trolley transfer." "That's all?" everyone says, thinking that the ride must be like Greyhound and cost \$10–\$20.

"Yep." "That's cheap. It takes, like, half a tank of gas to get out there in a car."

- "Yep."
- "That's a deal."
- "Yep."

"How can they do that?"

"The good citizens of San Diego pay for it," I reply, "and since I kick in some taxes, I think it's a fine use of my money."

"It's a way to lose money," one friend told me, and I had to agree. I'm not sure what the fine points of funding this service are, but I know it must be something close to the way Dial-A-Ride was operated by Yellow Cab back when I was a driver. I worked the La Mesa, Lemon Grove, and El Cajon areas back in the days, usually keeping to the first two and having a log of colored "trip sheets" for each city. For La Mesa and Lemon Grove, the rides were \$1 or 50 cents with a bus transfer; El Cajon only took little blue coupons, and if a rider didn't have a coupon, the drivers usually had some they could sell for a tiny profit. There was always an "us vs. them" attitude between the drivers in El Cajon and those in La Mesa/Lemon Grove, and we generally stayed out of each other's territories and transferred riders at the border points. I was often asked by riders how Yellow Cab made money doing this. I would shrug and say,"Does it matter? It's good for you, good for me, we're all happy,"

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like a typically cynical cabby. But I wondered as well. At most, in a single eight-hour shift I would have 20-30 passengers total, which was \$20–\$30 but really half that with all the bus transfers (sometimes people would give me \$1 and a transfer, or a bunch of transfers, which were tips, since I made 50 cents per transfer that I erroneously recorded); then I would also buy gas on test cars with my daily take (certain cars only ran on Union, Mobil, or Shell for research purposes), and that meant I was often only turning in about \$5-\$7 with lots of bus tokens, and if I had to use my own money to cover for the gas, I would be reimbursed on my paycheck. Yellow Cab claimed they were losing money on the Dial-A-Ride program, and it was a courtesy service for the good of the people in East County, but the other drivers knew this was bullshit; we knew that the county paid Yellow Cab a certain amount for each mile and passenger and that Mobil, Union, and Shell were paying for the test cars. Someone was making a profit, but it wasn't us lowly drivers, except for what we could get on bus transfers — transfers we would issue and sell, rides outside East County that were off the meter ("\$8 will get you to Euclid Avenue") — and bogus receipts for Shell, Union, and Mobil, where the gas went into our personal cars and not the cabs.

Something like this, I imagine, happens with the rural bus system, because I've never been on the shuttle into Borrego where there has been more than half a dozen passengers. People take the shuttle into Ramona or Julian (\$2), but by the time it gets to Ranchita or Banner, there's maybe two or three people left.

On a few occasions, I have been the only one. Which is nice. Like it's my own special ride.

One time, in December 2002, I was the only passenger from the Grossmont trolley station straight to Borrego. Not even any brief riders. Just me.

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"If it wasn't for you," the driver said cheerily, "I could've taken half the day off. I would've been home by four."

"Sorry," I said. "Doesn't matter," he said, "I get paid by the hour no matter what."

Which, I later learned, wasn't much.

* * * Drivers came and went. I

never saw one stick with the job for more than a year; the riders, however, were often the same — they all knew each other well and eventually became friendly with the drivers (one passenger even hired a driver to retile her roof). I never became too friendly with driver or rider, but they would recognize me, as I took the shuttle at least every other month and sometimes twice a month, depending on happenstance.

The elderly woman in the wheelchair no longer yells about the bus shaking.

I don't believe she even knows where she is anymore, and this saddened me, even though in the past she irritated me. But I understood her wrath and concern — the shocks on the shuttles were for shit in 1997, but by 1999 this was fixed, and by 2001 the small shuttles were replaced by buses that could seat 20. Going to Borrego is still a rocky, twisting ride; but now this woman just mumbles to herself (reminding me of my Grandma Tobin in her last days of brain cancer), and family members pick her up at the way station point in Santa Ysabel.

There was a woman that was (and still is) picked up daily (or almost every time I've been there) in Lakeside at the Circle K near the Barona turn-off and gets off in the center of Ramona by the Burger King. She has a Lakeside accent (there's no way to describe this; you just have to hear it) and sometimes has her

young daughter with her. She also has a teenage daughter, a child she gave birth to at 15 (as I overheard). During my trips in 2001, she was telling the driver and other passengers that her 17-year-old daughter had just given birth to a little girl. "I'm not even 40, and I'm a grandmother," she said. "Hell, I'm not even 35 yet..." but she said this with pride, with joy, and other riders would ask, "How pretty is your new granddaughter?" and the woman would pull out pictures and say, "Just you see for yourself." There was the glow of new life in the rural bus, and I felt cheerless that I was not yet a father but that my brother, ten years younger than me, now had a stepson and his own daughter.

There was a young lady with Down's syndrome that was (but no longer is) picked up in Ramona from her part-time job and dropped off in Borrego at the Oasis

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Motel (she must've caught the shuttle going out of Borrego at 8:45 a.m.). I have not seen her since May 2000.

There was (and still is) a blind woman who takes the shuttle in from Ramona to Grossmont, with her faithful Seeing Eye Labrador retriever. Her case is different: the shuttle strays from its path and picks her up and lets her off by her home, located off a dirt road not far from Main Street in Ramona.

It seemed that with each new driver, the driver would adhere to a strict code, until he or she got to know the regular passengers and their individual needs, so special stops could be made.

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On Mondays and Fridays, a rider used to have to transfer to another shuttle at Santa Ysabel; this rural transport was coming from North County Fair, as the one from Grossmont continued to Julian and Shelter Valley. Both shuttles would arrive around 4:30 p.m. and stay for 15 to 20 minutes, allowing passengers to use the restroom at Don's Market Place and buy a soda and snacks. This rest stop was (and is) always a ritual for me, where I would purchase the store's own brand of buffalo, emu, and ostrich jerky, as well as a gallon of pure raw apple juice straight from Julian (\$9 a bottle but worth every drop). The drivers were always diligent to take a head count before leaving, but one time in May 2000 I walked out of Don's Market with my groceries and saw the shuttle leaving, along with my luggage.

My cell phone didn't have service out there so I rushed to the pay phone like a Taliban fighter being chased by an A-30 gunship and put three quarters in the slot to call the rural bus reservation line. The woman on the other end was irate with me.

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she said. "That's not what we're here for."

"But I do it all the time, so do —" "That's against regulations!"

"I'm sorry. What —" "He's turning around to get you. Next time, we'll leave you stranded there," and she hung up on me just as I saw the shuttle returning to the parking lot.

sengers who'd told him.

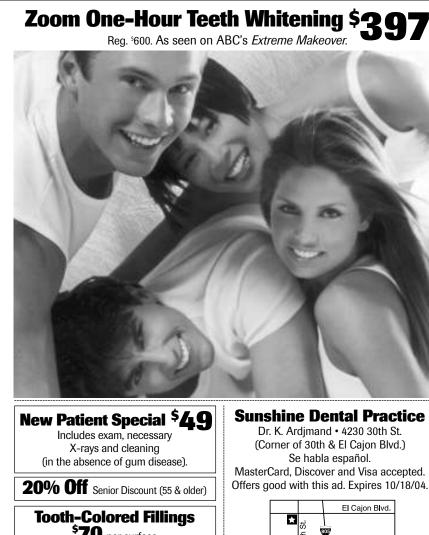
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and have cheap housing in the middle of town. On their days off, they would take You'd think the last place the shuttle into El Cajon to see movies, play arcade grants is Borrego Springs, games, and buy things they but they are there; they work couldn't find in the desert. I usually ran into them (anysive) Casa del Zorro Resort where between four to six, men and women) once a vear. In 2001, I talked with a fellow named Jon (or Jean?); he was tipsy, said

> he'd been to a few bars in El Cajon. "Only place in San Diego I can really sit in a bar," he said.

> > "Not in Borrego?"



the Zorro."

He smiled. "You kid-

ding me, mon? Right? Not

where I work, never. Not in

Borrego. Borrego is not that

friendly to the black man.

"No," I said, "I can't.

"You ever see the black

men and women in the Bor-

rego?" he asked. "They don't

mind us working the

kitchens in the resorts, and

they don't mind us renting

the homes as long as we stay

out of the stores and the

bars and the restaurants."

"So why live here?"

"They were hiring at

Can you tell?"

How so?"

"Can I ask what they pay?"

The price Jon quoted me was somewhat lower than what Casa del Zorro advertised in the Help Wanted section of the Borrego Sun, which is owned and published by David Copley.

"Can I ask you something else?"

"Okay."

"Why did you leave Haiti?"

"So I wouldn't be murdered by the military," said Jon. "Your President Clinton, he put a bad man in office there. Now it is my turn, yes? I shall ask you a question."

"Fair enough."

"You don't live in Borrego, why do you come out here?"

"To get away," I said, "to relax. To think, to be somewhere quiet." I was living in the Gaslamp Quarter at the time.

The Haitians always had lots of six packs of beer; they preferred Bass ale and Heineken. Sometimes, they would get loud in a drunken way, talking their brand of French to each other. One time a driver said, "Would you folks be quiet? I can't hear myself think!" The Haitians laughed and continued on. Another time, a driver said, "Hey, you can't drink alcohol on this bus!" They laughed and handed the driver a beer, and the

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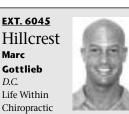
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driver said, "Well, in that case..."

When Jon and I were talking, we were drinking

warm Heinekens. * * *

Drinking on the shuttle is a common sight, always ignored. There is one guy in his 50s — tall with a Southwest accent, unwashed and often wearing women's dresses — who pours himself Chablis into paper cups from those large boxes of wines with a plastic spigot. By the time the shuttle leaves Santa Ysabel, he's pretty gone; and by the time the shuttle is heading down the mountain into the valley, he's talking to himself about art and architecture.

One time someone lit a joint on the shuttle. This was November 1998. A group of teenage girls were sitting in the back, after a day at Parkway Plaza. I could smell the pot, I could see them

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passing the spleef back and forth. The driver didn't know or didn't care — he was a pretty cool guy, though; his name was Al, and he was a karaoke hero in Borrego, lived in the Roadrunner Club (where I was going), parked the shuttle at his double-wide trailer, where he would take it out again in the morning.

I couldn't help listening to the teenage girls, who were all Hispanic — their conversation couldn't be ignored. They were discussing, between giggles, boys and sex. One of them liked going into El Cajon to "see a black boy with a huge dick. I just love black dick," she kept saying, "because it's so big, and let's face it, I'm a size queen."

They also talked about how they liked this time of the year because there were plenty of tourists that they could give \$20 blow jobs to. "Moneymaking time

for everyone!" one laughed. "How about you two?"

one said to Al and me."Got \$20 for some quick sloppy head?"

And they laughed and hit each other on the arms.

When they got off the shuttle at Christmas Circle, Al said to me, "Don't pay any attention to those stoned girls. They were just trying to mess with our heads. There are no prostitutes out here. Close you're going to get to that is the wife-swapping parties at the Cahuilla Estates. Between golf, poker, and cocktails, these septuagenarians trade wives, and the wives have a grand old time."

> "That's not true," I said. "Hey, I've been there!"

> > * * *

In December 2003, there was a man in his late 30s riding into Borrego that I'd never seen before. He wore a red windbreaker, a white baseball hat, and mirrorshades. He had luggage with airport tags and was watching Black Hawk Down on a

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"Now that's that kinda baloney that's going on, that's what's happening in Iraq," he suddenly blurted, pointing to the tiny screen of the portable DVD player and removing his earplugs. I was sitting behind him. He turned to the woman across the aisle from him and engaged her in a conversation about Iraq. He wanted to know what she thought, what her politics were.

She shrugged."I think it's all just terrible."

"It's terrible all right," he said smugly. "It's terrible that our hands are tied and we can't do more to get the job done." His voice slowly rose a few notches, as did his anger over the war. "All this pansy-assy P.C. baloney, we can't blow up mosques and win hearts and minds. Fuck that. American soldiers are dying over there every day. I say we just blow them all up. Carpet bomb the fuck out of those fuckers and start from scratch. That's the best thing to do. That's the best way to deal with these terrorists. You ever watch that show, 24? No? With Keifer Sutherland? No? Well, on that show they don't care about pansy-assy P.C. baloney, and they torture and kill the terrorists to get what they want. That's the way it should be done!" He turned around and asked me, "Right? What do you think, buddy?"

"I think you're talking out of your ass," I said.

His jaw dropped and he removed the mirror-

shades. "What? What did you say to me?"

"You asked..."

"Who the fuck are you?"

"Ever been in the military?" I asked him. "Seen action?" "No. So what?" "You're talking out of

your ass," I said again. "Fuck you!" "Hey, hey," said the driver, looking into his

rearview, "enough of that." "I don't have to take this baloney," the guy said, and moved himself and his

stuff up front, next to the

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back to reading my book — Andrew Vachss's *Getaway Man.*

I overhead the guy tell the driver that he'd recently moved to Borrego Springs from Georgia to help his grandmother run her new jewelry shop in town.

"You know what shop I'm talking about? It's great." "I'm afraid not," said the driver. "I live in Ramona." I knew the shop. It had recently moved into the

recently moved into the space where the only antique store stood. "I had to go back to

Georgia to take care of a few things," the guy went on, "and man, is this one long ride. From the airport I had to take a bus downtown, then take the trolley, then get on this bus."

He went back to watching his movie.

As we drove down the

Montezuma Grade, he said, "Whoever built this road must have been on drugs. This road doesn't make sense. Why didn't they just build a giant bridge that goes straight into Borrego? That would have been the smart thing. The bridge would just go straight in, 65 mph, none of these twists and turns that make my stomach queasy. Hell, I could design that bridge for them."

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One evening in February 1999, I was the only passenger and was sitting up front talking with Al about the strange and the unknown in Borrego Springs. The conversation moved to UFOs. I told him about the giant black triangle I saw flying silently over the badlands in late 1997.

"I don't doubt you," he said. "Me, I've never seen anything strange other than those green fireballs that sometimes streak across the

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skies —" "Bolides," I said.

"I dunno what they're called. But people have told me about strange shit, but I'll tell you some strange shit, and this is just between you and me and the dust devils, okay?"

"Okay."

"A year ago, as I was coming down the Montezuma Grade here, I had just one passenger, this woman who rides with me every now and then. Patty is her name. We're coming down the grade, and this bright light shines on us, like the light is in the bus, and I'm thinking, 'What the heck?' Patty, this woman, she says, 'Oh no.' Then — and this here is weird — then the next thing I know we're in Borrego, and we're parked. My head feels like a bunch of cotton, and I'm not sure how we got there. I look at my watch and it's an hour later. I'm half an hour behind schedule! Patty is getting her stuff, she's acting real

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nervous, she says, 'Thanks,' and she gets off. Very odd, you know. I don't remember driving into town, and I don't know what happened to the last hour..."

"Missing time," I said. "Yeah, I've read all about that and seen X-Files. I figure I'm just getting old and senile, you know, because I am," he laughed. "But about two weeks later I run into Patty in Carlee's Bar on karaoke night, and we look at each other. We both know about that night, so she comes up to me and tells me never to tell anyone. 'People will think you're crazy, she says. I says to her, 'I have no plans to tell anyone.' I ask her, 'Has that happened to you before?' She goes, 'All the time. They came for me and they have been coming for me since I was a little girl.' I'd say she's 45, and, well..." "Who came for her?"

I asked.

He grinned. "Who do you think?"

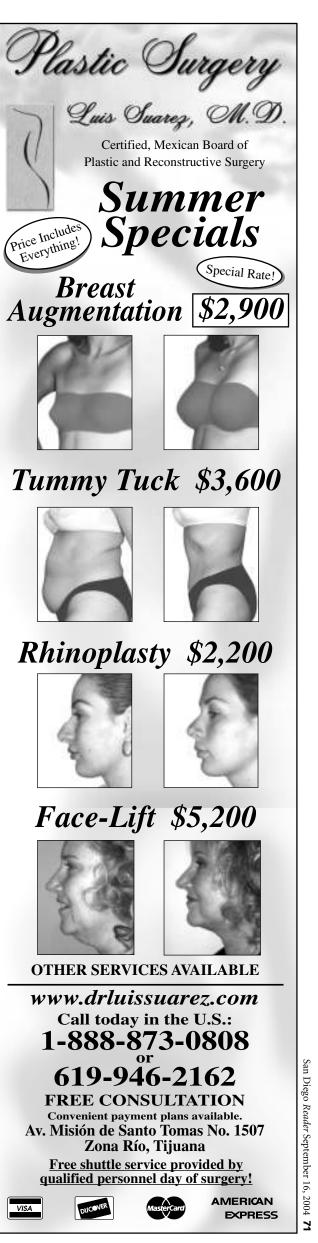
I didn't know if Al was pulling my leg, just to give me a tall tale. I'd never seen anyone matching Patty's description on the shuttle before.

I changed the subject. "So what do you get paid for driving this heap?"

"I get paid crap," he replied. "But what do I care? I don't need the money. I just need something to do, otherwise I sit around all day and I go nuts, having weird thoughts in my head and all that..."

Al died in 2001, heart attack. His empty trailer is still up for sale.

* * * Many changes have occurred with the rural bus system over the seven years I've been riding it. In 2000, the Metropolitan Transit System took over operations from the County Transit System; the rickety old shuttles were replaced by new bus-sized vehicles that could hold more passengers, had comfortable seats, and even air-conditioning (the previous shuttles didn't have a.c., and the chairs were plastic and hard on the rear end). But by 2002, there was





only one shuttle for the entire area, and service stopped on Sundays and Mondays (I didn't know this and was stuck out there an extra day once; the only other time I was stuck in Borrego was when the snow was too heavy in Julian and Ranchita, and the bus couldn't make it through). There were two part-time drivers, and in early 2003 there was just one because the other driver was, as reported in the Borrego Sun, fired for making a racist remark to a passenger. The system, with its base in Borrego, seemed to be in danger due to cutbacks. The Borrego Sun reported that San Diego MTS was looking for an outside private company to take over, and bids were being made. The winner, announced in late 2003, was Laidlaw Transit, a private company out of Colorado that was in charge of a number of similar rural paratransit arrangements across the country. Laidlaw announced it would move the home base to Ramona, which meant that the Borrego residents who manned the phones and worked as drivers probably wouldn't be switching over. They also announced there would be more than one shuttle leaving and returning on a daily basis.

This was implemented by February 2004. I didn't know about it until March when I called to make a reservation. I was told that a different bus, number 867, would now pick me up at the Grossmont Trolley at 3:20, rather than 2:58, and that I would have to transfer to number 891A in Ramona, going to Borrego via Julian and Lake Cuyamaca. There was a whole new structure for the region, operating six days a week now. Rural Buses 891, 891A, 892, and 893 take different routes at many different times, all ending up in Borrego, depending on the day. Tuesdays and Thursdays,

four shuttles now leave Borrego between 7:00 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. and arrive, from Ramona, between noon and 7:00 p.m. On Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, the shuttle leaves as early as 6:00 a.m.

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I happened to take the Wednesday shuttle, catching it at 4:50 p.m. in Ramona, next to the K-Mart, arriving in Borrego at 7:20 p.m. Two and a half hours! Usually it only took an hour and a half, but this shuttle was going all the way to Lake Cuyamaca — never mind that none of the four passengers on board were going out there and no one was being picked up...

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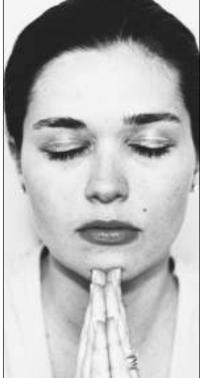
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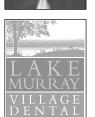
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with a thick mustache and a hearty laugh. He played U-2 albums on the sound system. Leaving Santa Ysabel, he spotted a woman hitchhiking near the post office. He stopped, opened the door, asked her, "Where you headin' to?"

"Ocotillo Wells," she said.

"Hey, we go there!" said the driver, chuckling. "Hop on board!"

Great, I thought, now we have to go way out to fucking Ocotillo. I figured I wouldn't make it to Borrego until eight.

She dragged a stuffed black trash bag in with her. She wore dirty, baggy jeans; her blonde hair was matted down and she had bruises and cuts on her face. We headed toward

Julian. "It's \$3," said the driver. "I don't have any

money," the woman said, softly. "I wasn't expecting you to stop. You can let me out..."

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"Not really." "There's ain't much out there."

"I've never been..." "But that's where you're

goin'?"

"In Santa Ysabel?" "Lake Henshaw. I walked to Ysabel." "Long trek. Look, maybe you should go to

on her face."My boyfriend.

He kicked me out today."

Borrego." "What's there?" "Maybe some help."

The sun was setting, the air quickly got cold, fog started to slowly creep in, most of the trees and land were blackened by last October's fires, and deer were scampering about the ruins.

"I have a friend who lives out there. I'm not sure where. But it's a small town, right? I could ask around, someone should know her..."

"I feel funny just lettin' you out in Ocotillo like that," the driver said. "What happened? Are you all right?" She touched a bruise

"Is it a big town?" "Big enough." He turned and asked the passengers, "Is there a Catholic Church in Borrego Springs?" "Yes," someone said. "Do they have a shelter program?"

"No, I don't think so." "I was thinkin' you might find help at a Catholic

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church," the driver told the woman. "Tell you what, there's one in Julian, just up the hill. I think you should go there. They might be able to put you up, give you some money, find you some help. You can always count on the Catholic churches to help you out when you're in need; the Catholics are good people about that sort of thing. Go there, and if they can't help, wait outside the church. I'll be comin' back in 40 minutes, and if we need to, we'll take you into Borrego and see if we can't find you help there."

He stopped in Julian, and the woman departed us with a confused look, walking up the hill to the Catholic church.

"That's a tough situation," the driver said to me. "That whole domestic abuse thin'. Hits you in the heart.

The 20-minute drive toward Lake Cuyamaca was almost surreal — the sun was setting, the air quickly

got cold, fog slowly started to creep in, most of the trees and land were blackened by last October's fires, and deer were scampering about in the ruins. We stayed 20 minutes next to a restaurant/grocery store, where I bought some beer.

"Why are we waiting?" Lasked.

"The rules now," said the driver.

We returned to Julian and the woman wasn't standing outside the church. "Oh, good, she must've found help," said the driver. "That's a relief. I was beginnin' to thin' I'd have to take her home and put her up in my spare room. And then what would I do with her in the mornin'? Hate seeing people in trouble like that."

As we drove through Banner Ranch toward the final (finally!) destination, I asked him how long he'd been on this route.

"Just a few months," he said. "I thin' you've rode

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with me before." "So how is the new sys-

tem working?" "Seems okay."

"Mind if I ask what they pay?"

"The pay could be better," he said, "\$8.75 an hour, no benefits. I'm listed as 'part-time.' No health, no dental, no eye, no nothing; something happens to me, I'm off to welfare, so I figure it'll good for me to try to stay healthy. No benefits — you ever hear of that? That's not what their ad said in the paper. The ad said there were all kinds of benefits, and the pay was \$10 an hour. But after six weeks of paid trainin' ----\$8 an hour — they tell me, 'Oh, but you're goin' to the rural bus line; that's a whole different contract.' Yeah, like they never put that in their ad. But what the heck, eh? It's a job, and a job's a job, and it ain't so bad putterin' about in the backcountry. It's nice." ■

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ders from him. (Please note that no comments will be made regarding the other allegations in the letter, as the writer is entitled to an opinion, anonymous that it is.) The writer states that he/she is too "busy (50- to 60-hour workweek)" to attend meetings and yet makes allegations as though he/she was present at those meetings. While we are all busy, anything short of actual attendance at a meeting and hearing something personally is pure hearsay and should be treated as such. The relationship between the Navajo Community Planners, Inc. (our correct name), and the councilmember is strictly aboveboard, and any allegation to the contrary, especially with no factual evidence presented, is an insult to the volunteers who serve on the 18-member NCPI board. If you have evidence to prove your allegation, please attend a meeting and present it to us.

In conclusion, I request that Mr., Mrs., or Ms. Anonymous refrain from including the Navajo Community Planners, Inc., in their diatribe against Jim Madaffer. While freedom of speech is a privilege, it does have limitations which should be respected. Please leave us out of your battle with the Madaffers. John F. Pilch

President

Navajo Community Planners, Inc.

Womb Burden

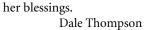
Re Judith Moore's article about purses ("Your Father Had Pockets, Your Mother Had a Purse," September 2). I quit carrying a purse 20

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years ago because it wasn't practical with my spinal problems. It's nice to have both hands free. It was such a burden to have to keep track of a purse. About Pearl's comment, maybe they do represent a womb. Having had seven children and four sad miscarriages may account for my decision to go purseless!

Also, I like Anthony Porrello's T-shirt: "Good art won't match your sofa" ("No Right to Plant Cactus," "City Lights," September 2), and also, he had beach rocks with holes in them, which are very lucky and prized by people who are into the powers of stones and gems. P.S. I send "News of the Weird" to out-of-town relatives.

P.P.S. I miss Mrs. Albright ---was nice to hear rich (by my standards) people have the same problems. I wish



Clairemont Mesa

Oppressive Codes

Anthony Porrello is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to Neighborhood Code Compliance abuses ("No Right to Plant Cactus," "City Lights," September 2). I presented petitions to our city council representative, Donna Frye, on behalf of the citizens of Linda Vista regarding Code Compliance department abuses. This simply resulted in more pressure on the complaining parties. Their latest attack has been on the poor citizens of Linda Vista for parking on unpaved surfaces. Linda Vista homes were not constructed with paved driveways or garages. Parking on the street yields overcrowded streets, the danger of hit-and-run accidents (five per week, according to the San Diego Police Department), and innumerable thefts and siphoned gas from vehicles. Other popular targets are those with portable vinyl-type structures covering their vehicles and things "stored" on private property that they don't like.

It's different in Linda Vista. Code Compliance patrols around in plain clothes and ordinary vehicles. They generate their own complaints about whomever they want to target. They don't wait for complaints from anyone.

Fortunately, with city budget cuts, things have cooled down some, but when funding comes, watch out. It's like pouring our taxes down the drain to pay for this overfunded city department. How about decreasing the size of this department and giving the money to firefighters?

City codes can be good, but there are far too many, they are far too cumbersome, and if all were enforced, 90 percent of citizens would be criminals. Let's cut the bureaucracy, rewrite the codes, eliminating most and keeping the really important ones.

J. Bell San Diego

Offensive Suggestion

Letter to the editor signed "Name Withheld by Request" in the August 26 issue shows how self-centered and







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ignorant our society has become. Name Withheld kept referring to birth control and urged the Albrights to use birth control.

What an offensive suggestion, and one that is certainly odious in God's sight. We as a society are so interested in pleasing ourselves that we no longer give any consideration to what pleases God. We must learn to see things through His eyes because upon our death each one of us will stand judgment, and we will be judged according to what God says is right, not according to what we say is right. If we want a favorable judgment, we must be in agreement with, and live according to, what God says is right. And God says birth control is not right.

> One Who Knows the Truth

Jerk For Jesus, **Hateful Granny**

This is an open letter to Tyler Chase Harper, the Poway High School student who was suspended for wearing an anti-gay T-shirt ("Day of Silence," August 5); and to the 75-year-old greatgrandmother who wrote in (August 19) supporting him "150 percent."

Chase, I'm a 43-year-old gay man. I have no sexual interest in you or romantic attraction to you whatsoever. In some ways you sound like a scared kid, but you also come across like a creepy little know-it-all who needs to be brought down a few pegs. I've actually lost sleep trying to compose this letter, and I've tried to let it go, but your anti-gay sentiments are based on misinformation and are part of a larger problem in our society. I have every hope that you'll become a decent human being. Here are some things that



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In the article about you in the *Reader*, you are quoted as saying that you "know personally that [homosexuality is] linked to...drug abuse, child abuse, and molestation." Have you really experienced those things? Or is it simply that you know of them? If you are currently being abused or molested, please report it immediately to the police, and get some real counseling. Being prayed over, with, or for is not a substitute. If, on the other hand, you only know of those things, your opinions carry much less au-

thority. I know of the existence of surfing and of Paris, but I have never surfed or been to France. See what I mean? Most sexual harassment and molestation in our culture is carried out by heterosexual men. The vast majority of child sexual molestation is perpetrated by a male relative or friend of the victim's family. Fact.

I understand from friends and coworkers that the combination of crystal methamphetamine use and Biblebased Christianity is all too common in the rural suburbs of San Diego County. If that's what you're involved with, please get help. Recovering your life from

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Your school had every right to suspend you for wearing your anti-gay Tshirt. Would you consider wearing a Nazi insignia to school on Yom Kippur or a shirt that said "Mexicans

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Are Stupid and Lazy" on César Chávez Day? It amounts to the same thing. If you managed to avoid getting your ass kicked, you still would have been hurtful and offensive. Schools have had dress codes for years and are expected to enforce them.

Life can be a lot like school: no one ever really knows everything; doing your best counts; and most mistakes are fixable. We can learn a lot from people who are different from ourselves.

Now get back to class, sit down, and pay attention.

As for you, Hateful Granny, you really should know better. Your letter seems to be the product of an agitated and unfocused mind. Of course Californians have values and principles; they just might be different from yours. You would impose your "morality" on others

and become angry, shocked, or confused when it's rejected. Gay people, like other minority groups, only want our fair share of the American dream. We believe that laws, institutions, and government administrations that discriminate against us need to be amended, changed, or thrown out. Like other minorities, we must rely on the majority for equal treatment before the law. You allow yourself to feel threatened by that.

Perhaps you are nostalgic for the segregated South of your youth, when people "knew their place"? Was that you I saw in the Civil Rights documentary, coaching your kids to throw the sharpest stones at the Freedom Marchers and giving them "a pat on the back" when they connected? It must be a drag for you that during the course of your life the laws no longer support your contempt for those different from you.

As for your shock at "seeing the police department and many other straight people" protecting and supporting the gay community: get a clue! Most gay people come from heterosexual families and have straight siblings, neighbors, coworkers, and friends. Only people like you would marginalize us and reject us from the greater human family. Now *that's* selfish.

The reason for the annual Pride Parade is to celebrate the fact that as individuals and as a group we have overcome — to a certain extent, each in our own way, and in our own lives the oppression, prejudices, and shame that were/are inflicted upon us. And I guess you weren't watching the news back in 1989 when several hundred thousand proud gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered Americans marched on Washington, D.C., demanding equal rights.

Lady, don't rain on our parade. If you feel California and its people are oppressive, you may leave at any time. Paul Edson

City Heights

Otay Surprise

What memories "Otay Dreams" (June 17) awoke in my mind. I grew up on Ada Street by the Salt Works. We moved there in early 1942. I started first grade at Otay Elementary School, which was changed to J.J. Montgomery, staying there until the sixth grade. Our family swam at the Hollister pond. My teen years were spent in the South Bay area, and I graduated from Mar Vista High School in 1956. I subsequently married a sailor, and we were transferred out of the area. In 1964 we were transferred back to the area and bought a home in a new development in Chula Vista. The small house was just off Orange Avenue where I-805 was laid out on paper. Imagine my surprise when the development was finished and the road opened that put us within 1½ miles of the rendering plant in Otay. Welcome home!

I have lived on the East Coast for the past 37½ years. I am here for the summer with my husband to be volunteer camp hosts at Cuyamaca State Park. I saw the story and had to say thanks! Mary Ann (Sullivan) Feller via e-mail

Southeast Omission

Re "Unforgettable: Long-Ago San Diego." I look forward to and very much enjoy this section in your paper in which you share vignettes about our history. You seem to touch on just about every area of our city; however, you never seem to have anything or very little about Logan Heights or Southeast San Diego. The history of these communities is an integral part of the development of the City

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Augie Bareno Chula Vista

Tourist Praise

We recently visited San Diego and looked to the *Reader* for restaurant tips, as guidebooks tend to promote well-known, mainstream establishments, and we prefer to get off the track and explore neighborhoods and eat where knowledgeable residents eat.

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Traveling Surf Video

ost mainstream surf videos with breathtaking action are "economics-driven," according to filmmaker Thomas Campbell. They look for dramatic scenes and focus on the surfers to catch the logos of their sponsors. "They are trying to sell something," he says. "I like to shoot from a

distance and show the whole ambience of the surfing," he says. "I'll shoot late in the afternoon. And using 16mm film, I can capture

only, which is what video does

Campbell's heroes are

MacGillivray and Jim Freeman

and Endless Summer creator Bruce

tradition started in the 1950s by

work in surfing towns up and

down both coasts. "We show up

in an auditorium with our little

It's very hands-on. We even get

young kids to pass out flyers in the community," he says.

in Newport, Rhode Island,

Wilmington, North Carolina, Orlando, Florida, and numerous

communities in between. "We

accompanied Campbell on the

West Coast tour of Sprout at the

locations and will also stop in El

Segundo, Santa Barbara, San Luis

Egyptian Theater in Hollywood. The

film will appear in San Diego at three

Obispo, Pacifica, Santa Cruz, and San

Sprout does not limit itself to

delight in riding the crests of the tallest

shooting through the tunnels that the

waves create before them. The film

shows surfers on longboards, mid-

shortboarding, whose practitioners

waves or "shooting the tubes"

length eggs, fishes, and other

On Monday Campbell began a

tour and is one of the surfers

featured in the movie.

Francisco.

technologies.

were showing up in between two hurricanes," says Encinitas resident Devon Howard, who

This summer Campbell

toured his new documentary film

projector and we check the sound.

the first surf filmmakers, who also used 16mm film and toured their

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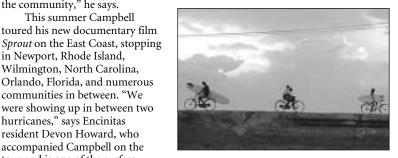
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Surfers today are like golfers in the way they address different conditions with different tools, according to Howard, who edited Longboard Magazine for seven years. "Eggs got their name from their rounded full nose and round tail," he says. "They are useful to move fast on waves that are too small and weak to allow the dramatic shortboard rides.

The fish was developed in Point Loma by surfboard "shaper" Steve Lis. It's a short, stubby board with a wide, split tail. "People who want good flotation and stability like it," says Howard

"Longboards are better than



Images from Sprout

shortboards for waves that are from knee-high to shoulder-length," Howard tells me. Their nine-foot length makes them easier for beginners to catch the waves. "But they are harder to master at a higher level, because their weight requires more strength and skill to turn them," he says.

A voiceover in the movie has Campbell narrating surfing scenes and chatting with surfers. Several of them are San Diego County residents. Kassia Meador of Oceanside won the 2003 Converse California Classic for longboarding, and Del Mar's Joel Tudor took the longboarding world championship in 1998 and 2004.

Sprout shows surfing scenes from Morocco, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, Costa Rica, and Mexico. Campbell says he shot one scene off Del Mar and another in La Jolla. It took him four and a half years to shoot all the surfing with his 16mm Bolex camera and then make it into a movie.

The Sprout House Band created most of the movie's soundtrack. Its three mainstays, Jack Johnson, Tommy Guerrero, and Adam Topol, have wide followings outside the surfing community.

'Our soundtrack is beautiful music of a lower tempo," says Campbell, "not the hard-driving punk rock of most surf flicks.' That fits his purpose in making the movie in the first place. "I want to convey how lucky we are," he says, "to be surfers of any kind."

Howard hopes that this message will further overcome a division of camps that is already starting to break down. "It used to be that shortboarders would get mad at longboarders, who often took most of the waves because their boards made it easier for them to get them." Now, he says, surfers of all kinds are more likely to choose a board according to ocean conditions.

I ask Campbell where the title Sprout comes from. "I called my first surf film [1999] Seedling," he says. "Sprout follows from that. It's all about growth.'

— Joe Deegan

Sprout

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646-172-3022. (ENSENADA) "Taste of Maíz," learn history and importance of corn in Mexican life, multiple uses of entire plant as food, beverage, and craft material when San Diego Natural History Museum hosts adventure on Saturday, September 18, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Near Ensenada, participants visit a cornfield and a modern tortilleria and participate in cooking class, enjoy meal; \$89 fee

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Christine Lavin for AcousticMusicSanDiego, September 18 (see In Person)

includes cooking class, meal, drinks, bus transportation. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (ENSENADA) Take the Train to Tecate when Pacific Southwest Railway Museum



Association hosts vintage train excursion, Saturday, September 18. Train departs Campo Depot at 10:30 a.m., returns to Campo at 4:30 p.m. \$45 tickets include train fare, tour of Cuauhtemoc-Moctezuma Brewery. Reservations: 619-465-7776 x5. (CAMPO, TECATE)

The Fast and Furious Car Show, noon to 9 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19, at Caliente Race Track (Boulevard Agua Caliente). Admission: \$5 U.S. 011-52-664-106-0100. (TIJUANA)

Jazz Festival with performances by Luis Gasca and Friends, Lupillo Barajas, Esteban Favela, Palma Azul, Sax Taco, Viento is Saturday, September 18, 1 to 6 p.m., at Parque de la Amistad, Mesa de Otay. Free. (TIJUANA)

Ride in the 25K Bike Ride starting at World Fitness Gym at 9 a.m. on Sunday, September 19. Registration: \$7 U.S. 011-52-664-634-4435. Find gym at Carmen Serdán #126-A. (TIJUANA)

Mexican Food Festival, chefs from "best restaurants in Tijuana" compete on Sunday, September 19, noon to 6 p.m., on Avenida Revolución at 2nd Street. 011-52-664-634-6330. (TIJUANA)

Mexican Country Music Festival with more than 20 bands and singers is Wednesday, September 22, 3 p.m., at Toros-Tijuana Baseball Stadium (on Delagación la Presa). 011-52-664-681-9677. (TIJUANA)

"Tijuana's Finest Restaurants," tour of Cheripan Restaurant hosted by Baja California Tours, Inc., on Thursday, September 23, 6 to 10:30 p.m. \$57 fee includes din-

ner, transportation. Reservations: 858-454-7166 or 800-336-5454. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Equal Days and Nights everywhere on Earth, 12 hours each, are only one noticeable consequence during the time of equinox, either autumnal or vernal (spring). Another consequence is that the sun at equinox always rises from a point on the horizon due east and later sets due west. You could calibrate a compass this way if you had access to a true (unobstructed) horizon. Another very subtle consequence is that at midlatitudes like ours, morning and evening twilight periods are shortest during equinox. From San Diego, the duration of twilight this week is about 80 minutes; last June it was about 100 minutes.

A Thin Waxing Crescent Moon returns to the evening sky tonight (Thursday, September 16), appearing low in the west-southwest sky about 20 minutes after sunset. During successive evenings, the crescent moon thickens in phase, moves farther to the left, and appears higher in the sky. By September 21, the first-quarter moon (appearing like a capital letter D) will stand high above the south horizon at dusk.

Enjoy Sun and Solar Viewing during day and evening when San Diego Astronomers Association hosts "Camp With the Stars" on Friday and Saturday, September 17 and 18, at Heise County Park (4945 Heise Park Road). Slide show at 8 p.m. on Saturday, with



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overview of planets, telescope etiquette. Day-use fee: \$2. 858-694-3049. (JULIAN)

How Do Land Upheavals and Soil Deposits from rivers and oceans form lagoon environments? Geologist Joan Lubowe answers these questions and leads hike on Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m., at Batiquitos Lagoon Nature Center (7380 Gabbiano Lane). Free. 760-931-0800. (LA COSTA)

Clean It Up! The 20th annual California Coastal Cleanup Day is Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m. to noon, at 50 sites throughout county. Locations and other information: 800-237-BLUE. Supplies provided. Free. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

See Fall Migrants and yearround residents during Audubon Society outing to Old Mission Dam, Saturday, September 18, 8 a.m. to noon. Possible sightings include rock and canyon wrens, downy woodpeckers, and black and white warblers.

Meet the group in the parking lot at Old Mission Dam in Mission Trails Regional Park. Hiking of a

moderately strenuous nature. 619-280-7710. Free. (MISSION GORGE)

Help Remove Exotic Weeds and plant native vegetation during the Black Mountain trail restoration work party, Saturday, September 18, 8 a.m. to noon. Wear work clothes, hiking boots. Bring water. Directions: 858-538-8082, Free. (RANCHO PENASOUITOS)

Discover Native Plants when naturalist Sheri Konen leads hike on Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m., in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve (on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road). Free. 858-668-4781. (POWAY)

Buena Vista Creek Cleanup, Saturday, September 18, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Free. Locations: 760-435-5807. (OCEANSIDE)

Walk through Lush Riparian Woodland Canyons in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve during hike led by Canvoneers on Saturday, September 18, 1 p.m. Find reserve on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road). Free. 619-232-3821 x203. (POWAY)

In Search of Shorebirds and Land Birds, Friends of Famosa Slough lead an outing on Saturday, September 18. Easy walk with variety of birds and views of salt marsh habitat. Meet at 1 p.m. at

GETAWAYS



Tibet: Cry of the Snow Lion at Mesa College, September 18 (see Film)

first bench on Famosa Boulevard, south of intersection with West Point Loma Boulevard, 619-224-4591, Free, (POINT LOMA)

Hike Into Hellhole, take a guided hike of Hellhole Canvon Open-Space Preserve to see fire recovery in progress, Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m. Bring water. Meet in staging area at corner of Kiavo Drive and Santee Lane. Free. 760-749-5320. (VALLEY CENTER)

Look for Thin, Waxing Crescent Moon and stars Vega, Deneb, and Altair when George Varga sets up a telescope for stargazing in Kumeyaay Campground, Mission Trails Regional Park (Two Father Junñpero Serra Trail), Saturday, September 18, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. 619-668-3275. Free. (MISSION GORGE) Twilight Nature Walk in cool of evening on Saturday, September 18, in Mission Trails Regional Park. Outing starts at 6:15 p.m. in Kumeyaay campground parking lot (Two Father Junñpero Serra Trail). Free. Required reservations: 619-668-2748. (MISSION GORGE)

Help Remove Invasive Plants and garbage along San Diego River with Audubon Society volunteers, Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m. to noon. Wear work clothes; bring work gloves and weeding tools if you have them. Free. Directions: 619-682-7200. (MISSION BAY)

Birding the Marsh, Chula Vista Nature Center hosts guided birdwatching hikes around Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge, Saturday, September 18, 8 a.m.; and Sunday, September 19,

11 a.m. Reservations: 619-409-5903. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

A Guided Nature Walk led by trail guide Don Wetzel begins at 9:30 a.m. on September 18, at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). 858-581-9961. Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. Hikes offered third Saturday of each month. (CLAIREMONT)

Tree Time, Offshoot Tours offers hour-long guided tour highlighting various Balboa Park trees Saturday, September 18, 10 a.m., starting at park's visitors' center. Free, 619-235-1121, (BALBOA PARK)

Walk to Del Mar Mesa, Walden Pond, and waterfall with Pat Watkins of Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve, Saturday, September 18, 4 to 6 p.m. Meet at end of Park Village Road. 858-484-3219. Free, (RANCHO PENASOUITOS)

What to Plant in a Pesky **Parking Strip?** Join Buena Vista Native Plant Club to focus on the question along the sidewalk on Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m., at Buena Vista Nature Center (2202 South Coast Highway). 760-439-2473. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Diverse Plant Populations and Expansive Views promised when naturalist Rick Paul leads occasionally strenuous four-mile hike on Cougar Ridge and Englemann Loop trails in Daley Ranch on Saturday, September 19. Hike starts at

9 a.m. at Cougar Pass entrance. To reach trailhead, take I-15 to El Norte Parkway exit: drive about one-half mile to Broadway, and drive north four miles to Cougar Pass; turn right and drive one mile to parking lot on left. 760-839-4680. Free. No pets. (ESCONDIDO)

Dig Up Downtown's Black History during Walkabout outing on Sunday, September 19. Walk to historic sites, and learn of boundaries for future black historic district. Casually paced walk starts at 1 p.m. at Fourth Avenue and E Street (outside Balboa Theater). Free. 619-583-7644. (DOWNTOWN)

Fall Officially Begins at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, September 22. Technically, this means that at that exact moment the sun will be shining directly down somewhere on the Earth's equator — in this particular case, in equatorial Colombia on the continent of South America. The autumn season will continue for three months until the sun "moves" to its farthest southerly point in the sky, winter solstice, December 21.

DANCE

"Attendance," Lower Left Dance Collective celebrates "ten years of radical expression" with performances combining music, dance, and theater, through September 19, at Saint Cecilia's Playhouse (1620 Sixth Avenue). Curtain rises at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, Saturday; 7 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$10-\$20. 619-544-1484. (DOWNTOWN)







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Bellydance Showcase featuring

Jasmina, Cristina, Devi, Nadege, Monique, and live music by Middle-Earth, Thursday, September 16, 8 p.m., Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). \$5. 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

"The Mourner's Dance/Onen," choreographers Sadie Weinberg and Betzi Roe are joined by 13 dancers in concerts at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, September 17 and 18, in Black Box Theater at Coronado School of the Arts (650 D Street). \$15 general. 858-755-8021. (CORONADO)

Bohemian National Polka

taught during vintage ballroom class, Friday, September 17, 7:30 p.m., in room 207 of Casa del Prado. All ages, singles, partners. Followed by open dance requests until 10 p.m. Beginner friendly. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

The Circulators Square Dance Club offers beginners' class starting at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, September 17, in Recital Hall (2130 Pan-American Plaza). First class: free; thereafter, \$3. Classes are open to adults and children over ten (accompanied by an adult). 858-586-1548. Open enrollment continues through September 24. (BALBOA PARK)

Contradance to calling by Steve Barlow and music by Old Twine String Band on Friday, September 17, at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Dancing begins at 8 p.m., following beginners' instruction at 7:45 p.m. Admission: \$6. Wear soft-soled shoes, 619-283-8550, (NORTH PARK)

Cuban Rumba Dance Parties presented by La Peña de Rumba for Omo Ache Afro-Cuban Dance Company on first and third Friday each month, including September 17, 8 to 11 p.m., at WorldBeat Center (2100 Park Boulevard), \$5. 619-516-3366. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Cajun Playboys celebrate release of their CD Small-Town Two-Step and play for Cajun/zydeco dance hosted by Bon Temps Social Club in Recital Hall, Saturday, September 18. Dance instruction at 6:20 p.m., live music from 7 to 10:30 p.m. Recital Hall is located on Presidents Way off Park Boulevard. \$12. 858-496-6655. (BALBOA PARK)

SDSU, Aztec Center



"Landscaping with Native Plants" in Casa del Prado, room 101, September 21 (see Lectures)

Earthdance: The Global Gathering for Peace convenes Saturday, September 18, 1 to 8 p.m., at Cardiff Elementary School (1888 Montgomery Avenue). DJ music and live performances by IOS, the Cuban, Funky Sam, Damon Clark, others. Event closes with sunset drum circle. Donation: \$5-\$10. 877-946-8273. (CARDIFF)

Chinese Moon Festival provides theme on Saturday, September 18, 7:30 p.m., at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street). Kin Ho talks about festival and teaches dances until 8:30 p.m. Bring Chinese snack to share. \$6. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Swing, Nightclub, Ballroom **Dance Party** on Saturday, September 18, 7 to 11 p.m., at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). Mary Manzella teaches lesson at 7 p.m. 619-229-0141, \$10, (ENCINITAS)

Maria Bermudez and Sonidos Gitanos (Gypsy Sounds) perform flamenco dance on Sunday, September 19, 4 and 8 p.m., at the Turquoise (873 Turquoise Street). Tickets: \$50 reserved, \$30 general. For those 21 and older. 858-488-4200, (PACIFIC BEACH)

West-Coast Swing and New York Hustle Dance Party for singles and couples, Wednesday, September 22, 7 to 11 p.m., at Characters Nightclub in La Jolla Marriott (4240 La Jolla Village Drive). Introductory dance class, 7:30 to 8 p.m. 619-596-9777. \$6. (LA JOLLA)



See the Documentary Peaceable Kingdom, telling story of animal rescue organization Farm Sanctuary, when San Diego Animal Advocates host screening on Saturday, September 18, 6:30 p.m., at County Health and Human Services building (3851 Rosecrans Street). Free. 619-572-4767. (SAN DIEGO)

The Documentary Tibet: Cry of the Snow Lion screens for Friends of Tibet on Saturday, September 18, in humanities building room G-101 at San Diego Mesa College (7250 Mesa College Drive). Reception: 7 p.m., film: 7:30 p.m. \$20 general. Reservations: 619-682-7188. (KEARNY MESA)

Take in The Muppet Movie on Saturday, September 18, 8 p.m., at Santee Trolley Square's outdoor amphitheater (at Mission Gorge Road and Cuyamaca). Free. 619-596-5677. (SANTEE)

Reflections on Radical Legacy, see A Panther in Africa, focusing on former Black Panther Pete O'Neal, who has been in exile in Tanzania for over 30 years, when film is shown for Film Forum on Monday, September 20. Screening begins at 6:30 p.m. at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). UCSD ethnic studies professor Jane Rhodes leads following discussion. 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

"Topnotch Performances" showcased for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series. See Charlize Theron in Monster when it screens on Wednesday, September 22, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

Lourdes Portillo's Cry for Justice, Señorita Extraviada (Missing Young Woman), may be seen on Wednesday, September 22, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Film explores disappearance and murder of hundreds of young women and girls in Juárez, Mexico. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

The Surf Film Sprout, shot on 16mm stock by Thomas Campbell, screens Wednesday and Thursday, September 22 and 23, at La Paloma

Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101). Showtimes, prices: 760-436-5774. (ENCINITAS)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. currently screening in the IMAX theater: Volcanoes of the Deep Sea, Forces of Nature, Adrenaline Rush: The Science of Risk, Coral Reef Adventure, Young Black Stallion. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

"Pet First Aid" is subject for Happy Hour Lecture on Thursday, September 16, 6 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society (5500 Gaines Street). \$10. Required reservations: 619-243-3424. No pets. (LINDA VISTA)

"The Long Day: Sculpture by Claudette Schreuders" is on exhibit through Wednesday, October 13, in University Art Gallery at San Diego State University. The South African artist presents a slide









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lecture on Friday, September 17, 6 p.m., in room 100 of Nasatir Hall at SDSU; followed by reception for Schreuders at 7:30 p.m. in gallery. 619-594-5171. Free. (SDSU)

"Iceland — Land of Fire and Ice" is theme for slide-illustrated lecture by hiker and world traveler Christa McReynolds for Sierra Club on Friday, September 17, 7:30 p.m., in auditorium of San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of zoo's main entrance). 619-585-3773, Free, (BALBOA PARK)

Take a Photographic Tour of the San Diego Regional Family History Center when Peter King presents program for Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego on Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m., in Robinson Auditorium at UCSD (off Pangea Drive). Free. 858-278-4519. (LA JOLLA)

"Designing a Home Garden" taught by landscape architect Chris Wotruba on Saturday, September 18, 9:30 a.m., at Cuvamaca College's Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Free. Required reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

Former Walt Disney Animator Mike Wiesmeier leads animal drawing workshop on Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at San Diego Zoo. Participants learn to capture gesture and construct drawings. No previous drawing experience required; \$50 fee does not include zoo admission cost. 619-225-8010. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Romance of Architecture: The Romantic Relationship Between Land and Structure" presented by Ken Ronchetti for Friends of San Diego Architecture on Saturday, September 18. Program begins at 9:30 a.m. at New School of Architecture, 1249 F Street. 619-287-0050. Requested donation: \$3. (DOWNTOWN)



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a loosened boulder falling

ascend in the helical pattern

Nearing the top, you

from above would do.

As day breaks on many a September or an October morning, cone-shaped Mount Helix floats like a desert island above the cool, sopping-wet marine layer. While walking up along the mountainside on mornings like these, you may find yourself rising above the mist into the bright, balmy, temperature-inverted world above. Like mock surf, cottony clouds break upon the shores of Mount Helix below and swirl around the tops of peaks and ridges all around. Only the diffuse roar of traffic floating up through the murk reminds you that you are

As you climb eastward through residen-(12 EUCALYPTU: PARK

"Introduction to Aromatherapy" and guide to essential oils offered by Joanne Bassett on Saturday, September 18, 2 p.m., at Rainy's Mystics (801 Grand Avenue #3). \$20. 760-744-9818. (SAN MARCOS)

Autumn Dayz at Diane's Herbs include garden craft classeson Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Find Diane's at 3642 South Mission Road. For adults: orange-slice or apple-slice wreaths, tub teas, potpourri (\$20). Children learn of Indian corn garlands (\$15). Materials included in fee. Space availability: 760-728-1251. (FALLBROOK)

Palm-Reading Workshop conducted by Linda Berry, Saturday, September 18, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., in clubhouse at Sleepy Hollow

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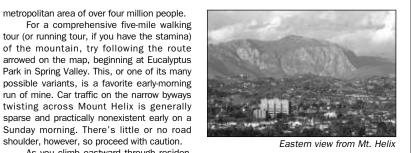
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Apartments (4201 Sixth Avenue). \$95. 619-299-2897. (HILLCREST)

Exploration" divulged when "NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador" Jay Lavine explains recent discoveries on Saturday, September 18, 1 p.m., at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, Included in museum admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Free. 619-233-4418. (HILLCREST)

Science of the Paranormal" explored when retired research physicist Terry A. Luallin speaks



agree that the mountain's name derives from the helical shell of a snail, Helix aspersa, found nearby and noted by a botanist in 1872

The stone amphitheater and white cross atop the rounded summit of the mountain were dedicated Easter Sunday, 1925, and subsequently deeded to the county. Today, a private foundation owns the facility, which is used every summer for outdoor stage plays.

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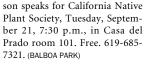
for Mutual UFO Network (MU-FON), Sunday, September 19, 6 p.m., at Sizzler (3755 Murphy Canyon Road). Free. 760-753-

Meet Mars Analog Astronaut Shannon Rupert-Robles, who has crewed three of four Mars Simulation Stations, when she discusses her adventures, Monday, September 20, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). The Mars Society has four simulated Mars habitats in different Mars-like areas of the Earth. Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

"California Syrahs" provide topic for tasting and class, Monday, September 20, 7 p.m., at WineSellar and Brasserie (9550 Waples Street, suite 115). \$40. Registration: 858-450-9557, (SORRENTO VALLEY)

"Amphibians Inside and Out." San Diego Natural History Museum offers two-part class on Monday and Wednesday, September 20 and 22, 6:30 p.m. Basic anatomy, vocalization, local diversity, metamorphosis, global amphibian declines. \$33. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Landscaping with Native Plants is topic when Bruce Han-



"Terrorism in Mexico" discussed by USD School of Law professor Jorge Vargas, Wednesday, September 22, for Invisible University series. Talk starts at 10 a.m. in Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice Theater at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free: reservations required, 619-260-4815. (LINDA VISTA)

"Challenging U.S. Human Rights Violations Since 9/11" is subject when lawyer, political activist, teacher Ann Fagan Ginger speaks for "Matters of Controversy" dialogue series, Tuesday, September 21, 7 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). 858-459-4650. Free. (HILLCREST)

Gourd Crafting — covering various methods of embellishment such as burning, etching, stick-on designs, more - taught in twopart class starting Tuesday, September 21 (concluding September 28), in room 104 of Casa del Prado. \$55. Requested

flower arrangements promised when Ikebana International gathers on Wednesday, September 22, 10 a.m., room 101 of Casa del Prado, 760-728-5586. Free, (BALBOA PARK)

> "Language and Art as Metaphor" provide topic at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue) on Wednesday, September 22, 7 p.m. Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

> reservations: 619-232-5762 or

"The Stakes in the Upcoming Election" are chronicled by

Union-Tribune foreign affairs columnist James O. Goldsborough

when he speaks on Tuesday,

September 21, 7 p.m., at Joan B.

Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice

at University of San Diego (5998

Alcalá Park). Free. Required reser-

vations: 858-642-6770. (LINDA VISTA)

"No Ecosystem Left Behind:

Global Climate Change and the

Current and Future Ecosystem Re-

sponses" explored when George

Vourlitis addresses Buena Vista

Audubon Society, Wednesday,

September 22, 7:30 p.m., at Buena

Vista Nature Center, 2202 South

Coast Highway. Vourlitis is assis-

tant professor of biological sci-

ences at CSU San Marcos.

"Research Trips to England"

examined when June Hanson

speaks for English Interest Group

of British Isles Genealogical Re-

search Association, Wednesday,

September 22, 10 a.m., at San

Diego Family History Center (4195

Camino del Rio South). Free.

Teacher's Showcase of Ikebana

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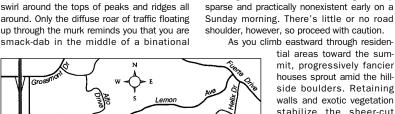
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"Painting With Light" is topic when Will Gibson - a Palomar College instructor specializing in speaks for North County Photographic Society on Wednesday, September 22, 6:30 p.m. in Ecke Building at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). \$3. 760-752-6375. (ENCINITAS)

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"Beginning Scottish Research" illuminated by Jackie Webster when Scottish Interest Group of British Isles Genealogical Research Association meets Thursday, September 23, 10 a.m., San Diego Family History Center (4195 Camino del Rio South). Free. 619-465-7326. (MISSION VALLEY)





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"L'Exception Française" is topic when Claude Imbert, founder and editor of weekly French magazine *Le Point*, speaks for Alliance Française of San Diego, Saturday, September 25, 2 p.m., in Salomon Hall at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). "What are the historical, sociological, and cultural roots" of the French system of governance? \$10. 858-824-6694. Lecture is in French. (LINDA VISTA)

IN PERSON

Author Melissa Lion discusses and signs her young adult novel *Swollen*, Thursday, September 16, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Acoustic Music Bonanza! AcousticMusicSanDiego hosts concerts by Tish Hinojosa on Friday, September 17; Christine Lavin on Saturday, September 18; and Richard Shindell on Thursday, September 23, at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. 619-303-8176. Tickets: \$15, \$20. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

San Diego Poets, Lori Davis reads from her new book *Opals and Oranges*, and Terry Hertzler reads from his new book *Dulling the Scissors*, Friday, September 17, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

A "Grand Irish Variety Concert" begins at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 18, in Shiley Theatre at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Expect Irish music, song, dance by performers including Marty Maguire, Redmond Gleeson, Los Angeles Irish Set Dancers, others; \$30 general. 619-239-0255. (LINDA VISTA)

Wordplay and Folk Music, season opens with performance by comic Norm Crosby and musician John Stewart on Saturday, September 18, 8 p.m., at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Crosby has made a career out of fracturing English; native San Diegan Stewart was with Kingston Trio and continued as songwriter and solo performer. Tickets: \$32, \$35. 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

Decipher the Meaning of Dreams when Sally J. Nelson discusses and signs Night Wings: A Soulful Dreaming and Writing Practice, Saturday, September 18, 4 p.m., at Barnes and Noble, Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive; 619-667-2870). Free. (LA MESA)

Busy on Saturday? She'll also sign on Thursday, September 23, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

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Strategist, author Robert W. Price signs *Roadmap to Entrepreneurial Success: Powerful Strategies for Building a High-Profit Business*, Saturday, September 18, 2 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (2615 Vista Way, 760-529-0270). Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Concert in the Park by teachers of Family Fine Arts Academy is Saturday, September 18, 5 p.m., in Memorial Bowl (373 Park Way). Program includes dance and music for piano, guitar, violin, voice. Free. 619-426-4278. (CHULA VISTA)

The Lori Bell Duo is joined by guitarist Ron Satterfield for Jazz Association of Greater San Diego (JAG) concert on Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m., at Handlery Hotel and Resort (950 Hotel Circle North). \$15 general. 858-487-4414 or 619-276-4324. (MISSION VALLEY)

SeaWorld Founder George Millay signs *The Wave Maker*, Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (668 Sixth Avenue). Free. 619-702-7420. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

"Getting Old Ain't for Wimps" signed by Pacific Beach author Karen O'Connor, Sunday, September 19, 1:30 p.m., at Open Door Books (4761 Cass Street). Free. 858-270-8642. (PACIFIC BEACH)

"Remains," an original play by Seema Sueko, performed by Mo'olelo Theater Group on Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m., at Ark Center for Performing Arts (3554 Kettner Boulevard). Event hosted by Al Awda, Palestine Right to Return Coalition. Tickets: \$21 in advance, \$25 at door. 858-578-6240. (OLD TOWN)

Open-House Exhibition planned by teachers at Scripps Performing Arts Centre, Sunday, September 19, 4 p.m. Dance in a variety of styles showcased, along with music from classical to pop. Find studio at 9920 Scripps Lake Drive, suite 104. 858-586-7834. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

"September Songfest" planned by soprano Sylvia Wen, mezzo Patricia McAfee, tenor Richard Geiler, baritone Christopher Stevens, organist Robert Plimpton on Sunday, September 19, 4 p.m., at First United Methodist Church of San Diego (2111 Camino del Rio South). Program includes vocal music by Gilbert and Sullivan, Kern, Sondheim, Berlin, others. General admission: \$10 advance, \$12 at door. Child care by reservation. 619-297-4366. (MISSION VALLEY)

Mini-Concerts at Noon resume with jazz performance by Peter Sprague Quartet, Monday, September 20, in Horton Square (outside Horton Plaza). Free. Bring your lunch. 858-454-5872. (DOWNTOWN)

Acclaimed Author Joseph Wambaugh helps Hervey/Point Loma Library celebrate its oneyear anniversary with appearance, Monday, September 20, 6:30 p.m. Find library at 3710 Voltaire Street; 619-531-1539. Free. (POINT LOMA)

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Local Author Charles Harrington Elster signs Test of Time: A Novel Approach to the SAT and ACT, Tuesday, September 21, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

Surf Noir Author Kem Nunn discusses and signs his new book, Tijuana Straits: A Novel, on Tuesday, September 21, noon, at San Diego State University Bookstore. Free. 619-594-7528. (SDSU)

Dubbed "Asia's Queen of Songs," Pilita Corrales performs Tuesday and Wednesday, September 21 and 22, 8 p.m., at Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre (5469 Casino Way). Program includes Joseph Advento, international hustle and salsa champions Salomon and Sandra Rivera. \$30. 619-445-6002. (DEHESA)

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ther written by yourself or someone else, during open-mike poetry event on Tuesday, September 21, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Book-

store (2615 Vista Way. Guest poet: Raymond Appleby. (760-529-0270), Free, (OCEANSIDE)

Secrets of Sautéing, Pan-**Roasting**, stir-frying, and baking revealed by Christopher Kimball when he presents "Cooking With America's Test Kitchen," Thursday, September 23, 6:30 p.m., at Sur la Table (1915 Calle Barcelona). \$55. 760-635-1316. (LA COSTA)

The Celebrated Chef Jacques Pépin discusses and signs his book Fast Food My Way, Thursday, September 23, 7 p.m., at Book Works (Flower Hill Mall, 2670 Via de la Valle). Only books purchased during event will be signed. 858-755-3735. (DEL MAR)

SPORTS

The San Diego Padres are in Los Angeles for game against Dodgers on Thursday, September 16, 7:10 p.m. The Pads head to San Francisco for series September 17-19, at 7:15 p.m. on Friday, 1:05 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

The Padres return to Petco Park to host Los Angeles Dodgers, September 21–23, Tuesday through Thursday. Games start at 7:05 p.m. each night. Tickets: 877-374-2784. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS-AM (1090), television channel 4. (EAST VILLAGE)

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858-453-3687. (MISSION VALLEY)

Grand Prix for Late-Model Sportsman (double position points) promised at Cajon Speedway on Saturday, September 18. Also promised: street, bomber, and pony stocks, train racing. 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)

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The 13th Annual San Diego Heart Walk is Saturday, Septem-

ber 18, with registration at 6 a.m., in front of War Memorial at Park Boulevard and Zoo Drive. Expect 5k walk through Balboa Park. Donation. 619-291-7454. (BALBOA PARK)

Semper Fit, Camp Pendleton Heartbreak Ridge Half-Marathon, Saturday, September 18, 7:30 a.m., in Las Pulgas area on base. All gravel out and back. 760-725-6836. Civilians welcome. (OCEANSIDE)

Dog Paddle, bring your dog out for paddle hosted by Hike Bike Kayak San Diego, Saturday, September 18. Event starts at Hike Bike Kavak (2246 Avenida de la Plava). \$20. Reservations: 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA SHORES)

Surf for the Sea, competition from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19, on north side of Oceanside Pier. 760-439-0863. Free for spectators. (OCEANSIDE)

The Home Season gets underway when San Diego Chargers host New York Jets on Sunday, September 19, 1:15 p.m., in Qualcomm Stadium. Broadcast on CBS. Tickets: 877-CHARGERS. (MISSION VALLEY)

Spreckels Cup competition at San Diego Polo Club is Sunday, September 19. Preliminary matches begin at 1:30 p.m., featured polo match at 3 p.m. General admission is \$5, as is parking. The club meets at 14555 El Camino Real. 858-481-9217. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Walk for PKD (polycystic kidney disease) is Sunday, September 19, on Shelter Island. The 2.8mile walk starts at 9 a.m., following registration at 8 a.m. 800-PKD-CURE. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Hole-in-One Shootout, golfers of all ages and skill levels pay \$1 per ball (to compete for \$1 million final shootout on September 27) in this Pacific Life Holiday Bowl fundraiser, continuing through Friday, September 24, at Stadium Golf Center (2990 Murphy Canvon Road). Hours: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. 619-283-5808. (MISSION GORGE)

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Woodie Weekend describes "the world's largest and oldest woodie car show," beginning with "Rods and Woodies on 101" on Thursday, September 16, 5:30 p.m.

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"Woodies on Highway 101" car cruise is Sunday, September 19. Wavecrest surfboard auction on 19th, poolside at Best Western Inn and Suites (85 Encinitas Boulevard). Preview at 11 a.m., auction noon to 3 p.m.

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Celebrity Waiters Luncheon benefiting United Cerebral Palsy, Friday, September 17, 11:30 a.m., at Coronado Island Marriott Resort. \$55. Reservations: 858-571-5365. (CORONADO)

The 15th Annual Fall Home/ Garden Show at Del Mar Fairgrounds features over 450 exhibits covering wide variety of homeimprovement and decorating subjects. Hours: noon to 7 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$10 general, with discounts for seniors, kids, after 3 p.m. 858-519-0855. (DEL MAR)

Sheet Music, Books on a variety of subjects, CDs and LPs, and art periodicals on offer during sale on Saturday, September 18, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street); 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Buddhist Gongs and Bells, and taiko drums may be heard during 2004 Buddhist Temple open house on Saturday, September 18, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Themed "Kansho: Story of Faith," there will be informational displays, temple tours, panel discussion. Find temple at 2929 Market Street; 619-239-0896. Free. In conjunction with "Stories of Faith" series hosted by San Diego Public Library. (DOWNTOWN)

Open Studios 2004, the Combined Organizations for the Visual Arts (COVA) hosts self-guided tours of 31 San Diego artists' studios. Weekend tour two - Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19 covers San Diego, South Bay, East County. Tickets: \$22.50 for two people. Studio hours: noon to 5 p.m. 619-234-0928. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

"Endless Mountains" by Reynolds Price is subject when Great Books Reading and Discussion Group meets Saturday, September 18, 2 p.m., in thirdfloor conference room, San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 858-755-8978. Free; newcomers welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

Lake Murray Kiwanis Community Picnic and street fair, Saturday, September 18, at Lake Murray Regional Park (enter on Kiowa Street off Lake Murray Boulevard). Kids' fishing derby: 7 a.m.; vendors, live music, food, rides, activities 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; fireworks at 9 p.m. 619-818-6357. (LA MESA)

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Takin' It to the Streets is theme for Serra Mesa Community Fair, Saturday, September 18, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Sandrock and Greyling. Rides, food, vendors, live music. Free admission. 858-565-2473. (SERRA MESA)

"What's Up Girard: Five Blocks of Contemporary Design" - this walking tour of nine of La Jolla's "premier showrooms," is Saturday, September 18, 1 to 5 p.m. Free. Locations: 858-551-0873. (LA JOLLA)



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Autumn Art Festival, September 18 and 19, at Spanish Village Art Center. Art, entertainment, demonstrations, silent auction. Artists of the center's 37 studios, guilds, and associations showcased. Saturday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 619-233-9050. (BALBOA PARK)

Get Inside the Cat House that Bob Walker, Francis Mooney, one canine, and ten felines call home during tours benefiting National Cat Protection Society on September 18 and 19. This is first open house in five years.

Preview is Saturday, 7 to 9 p.m., when "personal tours reveal hidden details" (\$20). Sunday hours: 2 to 4 p.m.; \$5 general, free for those 14 and younger. 619-469-8771. (CLAIREMONT)

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Annual Horse Show benefiting Winners Circle Equestrian Therapy is Saturday, September 18, at Winners Circle Ranch (2974 Equitation Lane). Horse show showcases student achievements. Horse show: 10 a.m. to noon; barbecue, trail ride fundraiser: noon to 3 p.m. Tickets: \$25 for whole event, \$15 for kids under 12; \$5 donation for horse show/fundraiser without

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And if I feel like a woman looming over Lautrec With water weight & panties and murderous fuchsia underfoot, Those dying balloons on Job's Lane sag around like saline breast implants And pineal sunbeams sneak through my hair Dirty but focused as screwy detectives or Plexiglas. I go to pieces in my adolescent pine Amid blackheads, seltzer, a cold front Falling into decline Like ladies on the prairie used to ... In the kleig-lit house with the deodorant cakes in the upstairs johns And the foam core ass on "Bad Secretary" in the living room And the foam core bird paintings in the kleig-lit kitchen Warm & endangered a a Orca Whale float, Pollen & Coronas, in the foggy autumn And the thin nude branches all snow-furred Like an X ray of infant bronchitis, Wrist-slitting stuff. My honey chapstick stinks of piss and menstrual sharkfear But like the alpha male in brownie troops ankled in mud, I sit tight, coping & spit. The Mormons taught me To have fortitude when I am in the right & right now I stand stalwart as lung-colored support hose In a French sex & death-er for readers under twelve. My indian name is "Little Hard-Core." I yank on a blue collar Since we have so many blue collar holidays, Salute myself for alpinism — just being high really

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0390. (BONITA) Tea Tasting with Michael Fig-

gins, including lecture and samples, Saturday, September 18, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Caffe Calabria (3933 30th Street). Free. 619-291-1759. (NORTH PARK)

Living History Reenactments of exploration and surveys of public lands promised on Saturday, September 18, at Old Town San Diego State Historic Park. Free. 760-251-4840. (OLD TOWN)

Wine Tasting and Cigar Party benefiting Art of San Diego, Saturday, September 18, 5 to 7 p.m., at Hilton San Diego Resort Mission Bay. Libations from Southern Wines and Spirits. \$65. Reservations: 858-715-3780. (MISSION BAY)

Rare, Beautiful, Artistic Books called "fore-edge paintings" on exhibit beginning with reception on Sunday, August 19, 5:30 to 8 p.m., in Wangenheim Room at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Party includes music, food, speakers. \$25. 619-291-8800. (DOWNTOWN)

— Ieni Olin

"Kenneth Capps: Backyard" opens with reception for the artist on Sunday, September 19, 3 to 5 p.m., in Carlsbad Sculpture Garden. Exhibit includes nine works with strong minimalist sensibility, on display through Thursday, June 30, 2005, at Carlsbad Arts Office (2955 Elmwood Street). 760-434-2920. Free. (CARLSBAD)

The House of Lithuania presents lawn program at International Cottages, Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

YachtFest '04 continues through Sunday, September 19, at Shelter Island Marina/Island Palms Hotel. Tours of "seafaring mini-mansions" for sale and charter.

Seminars: "Yachting: From Fantasy to Reality," Friday and Saturday, September 17 and 18, 2 p.m. "Your Career in Yachting — A Ticket around the World," 9 a.m., September 19. Seminars included in regular admission fee. Jeni Olin was born in Houston, Texas, in 1974, the Year of the Tiger. She is the author of *The Heart's Filthy Lesson* (Angry Dog Press, 2001) and *A Valentine to Frank O'Hara* (Smokeproof Press, 1999). She studied at Oxford and Cambridge universities before receiving her BA and MFA from the Naropa Institute in Boulder, Colorado. She is studying at New York University to be a registered nurse. Her most recent title is the e-book *Blue Collar Holiday* (*Fauxpress.com*). Olin writes, "This poem takes place at 92 Little Plains Road in Southampton, Long Island, where I lived and worked with the late painter Larry Rivers for five years among the vitamin-stuffed bluebloods and Hampton-elite demimondes who 'slept their way to the middle.' Therefore, the title 'Blue Collar Holiday' is ironic. The 'Bad Secretary' piece mentioned in the poem depicts a turn-of thecentury businessman spanking his secretary over a desk and the



Island Palms Hotel, 2051 Shelter Island Drive. Admission: \$50. 858-836-0133. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Join the Jammin'! The 34th annual Julian Bluegrass Festival runs Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Frank Lane Park (2645 Farmers Road). Performers include Chris Hillman and Herb Pedersen, Reeltime Travelers, Bluegrass Brethren Gospel Band, Julie Wingfield, *many* others.

Both days feature jamming, food, music workshops, and music-related vendors' booths. Tickets: \$15 at gate, \$13 in advance. 760-480-0086 or 760-765-1857. Bring chairs, blankets. (JULIAN)

Sea Chantey Festival, Sunday, September 19, 11 a.m., on board the *Star of India*. Performers include Salt Park and Dunderfunk, Black Irish Band, Ken Graydon, Jackstraws, others. Shipboard activity demonstrations; visitors may help set sails of *Star*. Included in museum admission. Find the ship berthed at 1306 North Harbor

and the blue contain rolliday is nonice. The entioned in the poem depicts a turn-of thebanking his secretary over a desk and the foam-core bird paintings imitate the birds of the National Audubon Society Singing Bird Clock, such as the Tufted Titmouse and the White-breasted Nuthatch."

From *The Best American Poetry 2004*, Lyn Hejinian, Editor; David Lehman, Series Editor; Scribner Poetry, 2004; Scribner Hardcover, 288 pages, \$30; Scribner Paperback, 288 pages, \$16

> Drive (at Ash Street). 619-234-9153 x101. (DOWNTOWN)

San Diego Philatelic Expo, stamp and cover dealers offer wares, Sunday, September 19, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Free. 619-469-0337. (KEARNY MESA)

Grand Avenue Writers' Collective gathers for fiction/prose critique on second and fourth Wednesday of each month, including September 22, 7 p.m., in Fountain Estates Apartments Clubhouse (1315 East Grand Avenue). Free. 760-233-0848. (ESCONDIDO)

"Cavalia: A Magical Encounter between Horse and Man" hits Del Mar Fairgrounds for performances by more than 60 performers, including 37 horses, September 23-October 1. In "Cavalia," horses are said to "cavort with acrobats, aerialists, and riders."

Performances begin at 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, with 3 p.m. matinees on Saturdays, 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. shows on Sundays. Tickets: \$49-\$69, available at 866-999-8111. (DEL MAR)

La Jolla Village Art and Wine Walk, Thursday, September 23, 5 to 9 p.m. Self-guided art stroll of more than 25 galleries with wine tasting at each site. \$25. 619-233-5008. (LA JOLLA)

In Honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month, talents, creativity, and achievements of San Diego State University Latino faculty showcased through Friday, October 15, in donor corridor of San Diego State University's Love Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Exhibit includes books, artwork, photographs of recent and worksin-progress by professors. Free. 619-594-4629. (SDSU)

FOR KIDS

The Musical Comedy Guys and Dolls Junior is presented by Arts Off Broadway Children's Musical and Youth Theatre, through Saturday, September 18, 7:30 p.m. each night, at Kit Carson Park (3333 Bear Valley Parkway). \$12.50.760-735-3302. (ESCONDIDO)

"The Magic of Ventriloquism" explored by comic ventriloquist Lynn Trimble, at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater through Sunday, September 19. Next up: *The Really Hot Jungle Show* performed by Puppet Express, September 22-26.

Curtain rises at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday, 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Theater located near Aerospace Museum. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$2 for children under 12. 619-685-5990. (BALBOA PARK)

"Annie" presented at First United Methodist Church of Chula Vista (915 Paseo Ranchero). Performances begin at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, September 17, 18, 24; with matinee on Sunday, September 19, at 4 p.m. Tickets: \$7 for those 12 and under, \$10 for adults. 619-656-2525. (CHULA VISTA)

Animal Tales Told, and crafts, stories, and animals part of fun during Animal Tales story time presented by San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, Saturday, September 18, 1:30 p.m., at Bor-



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"Adelita: A Mexican Cinderella Story" by Tomie dePaola may be heard during Miss Sarah's story and craft time, Saturday, September 18, 11 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (2615 Vista Way). 760-529-0270. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Junk Collages will be created with hammers, nails, glue on Saturday, September 18, 2 p.m., at Escondido Children's Museum (in studio 1 at California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard). \$5. 760-233-7755. (ESCONDIDO)

Meet a Life-Sized Groovy Girl character for *Pinnochio* story time, noon, Saturday, September 18, at Geppetto's grand opening (1935 Calle Barcelona). Games, crafts, activities, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free. 760-479-0242. (LA COSTA)

Illusions are subject when Reuben H. Fleet Science Center hosts family science day, Saturday, September 18, noon to 3 p.m. Participants "make a free science experiment" to take home. Regular admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Pie-Eating Contest, American folk tales, live performances by Westwind Brass (noon, 1 p.m.), Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films (12:30, 1:30 p.m.), barbershop quartet — it's all planned for family festival celebrating "American Beauty: Painting and Sculpture from the Detroit Institute of Arts 1770-1920," hosted by San Diego Museum of Art, Sunday, September 19, noon to 4 p.m. Gallery tours in Spanish and English. Free. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

MUSEUMS

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

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

California Surf Museum, "The Surfer-Shapers," on exhibit through 2005, showcases several surfers whose conceptual abilities and crafting talent radically altered surfboard design. The search has always been for lighter, faster, more maneuverable boards, from Duke Kahanamoku in early 1900s to Tom Blake in 1920s to Simon Anderson in early 1980s.

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. (OCEANSIDE)

Campo Railroad Museum, showcasing more than 115 years of American railroad heritage and development through static and operating exhibits, the museum includes cabooses, steam and



Pilita Corrales at Sycuan Resort and Casino, September 21 and 22 (see In Person)

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

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

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

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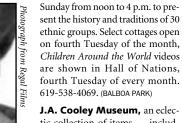
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tic collection of items — including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections — is featured at the museum. The current featured attraction is an "Industrial Product Collection," with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with "some classics and a concept car."

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

Leo Carrillo Ranch Historic Park, old adobe buildings were once vacation retreat and working rancho of actor Leo Carrillo. Tours on Saturdays (11 a.m., 1 p.m.) and Sundays (noon, 2 p.m.). Find Rancho de los Quiotes at 6200 Flying LC Lane. Free. 760-476-1042. (CARLSBAD)

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

Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove, currently on view: "The Parson's Study." Find the museum at 3185 Olive Street; 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, "ExploraZone 5," on view through June5, 2005, explores "what you *think* you see." The 38 exhibits use visual perception, thought, language, magnetism to test visitor's senses and abilities. Exhibit includes "Hoop Nightmares," "Cheshire Cat," "Black Sand," "Speech Dissector."

Ongoing exhibitions include "Technovation," "About Faces," "Skyscapes II," and "TryScience!" The permanent exhibitions present a variety of hands-on exhibits illustrating scientific principles. Explore the various methods of transmis-

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San Diego Archaeological Center, the center — located at 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road is dedicated to "curation of archaeological projects and sharing them with the public." 760-291-0370. (ESCONDIDO)

San Diego Automotive Museum,

"The Rolls-Royce Centennial Show," on display through Monday, October 25, showcases 16 cars bearing the prestigious marque, including 1913 Silver Ghost, 1949 Silver Wraith, 1932 20/25 Drophead Coupe.

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

San Diego Hall of Champions, "Shades of Greatness" is a 35-piece art exhibit on loan from Negro League Baseball Museum in Kansas City, highlighting history, lessons of Negro League baseball. Exhibit includes paintings, statues, other works.

Additional exhibits include "World's Largest Collection of Olympic Medals," featuring medals from as early as 1896. The museum — dedicated to promoting, recognizing, and preserving athletic achievement — is located at 2131 Pan American Plaza. 619-234-2544. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Historical Society Museum, "From Blueprints to Buildings," an exhibit of San Diego architecture, traces this region's architectural history from early Indian bark houses to modern and postmodern buildings. The exhibit showcases the most significant examples of various architectural styles and types of structures. See the historical artifacts, photographs, and ephemera through December.

"Romp! Children Discover Balboa Park" focuses on why Balboa Park exists, examines the 1915-16 and 1935-36 Expositions, and includes exhibits, attractions,

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Reading

The Inner Circle



Viking, 2004; 432 pages; \$25.95

FROM THE DUST JACKET: T.C. Boyle has spun a tale that will delight both his longtime devotees and new fans. Boyle's tenth novel, *The Inner Circle*, has it all: fabulous characters, a rollicking plot, and more sex than pioneering researcher Dr. Alfred Kinsey ever dreamed of documenting...well, almost. A love story, *The Inner Circle* is narrated by John Milk, a virginal young man who in 1940 accepts a job as an assistant to

Dr. Alfred Kinsey, an extraordinarily charming professor of zoology at Indiana University who has just discovered his life's true calling: sex. As a member of Kinsey's "inner circle" of researchers, Milk (and his beautiful new wife) is called on to participate in sexual experiments that become increasingly uninhibited — and problematic for his marriage. For in his later years Kinsey (who behind closed doors is a sexual enthusiast of the first order) ever more recklessly pushed the boundaries both personally and professionally. While Boyle doesn't resist making the most of this delicious material, *The Inner Circle* is at heart a moving and loving look at sex, marriage, and jealousy.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Booklist: Following his spirited counterculture drama *Drop City* (2003), Boyle fictionalizes a historical figure as he did in *The Road* to *Wellville* (1994), an unforgettable portrait of Dr. John Harvey

and "marvels that were found in the monumental buildings created to showcase the West." Historic film footage allows visitors to tour the Ford Building as it existed in 1935 and see displays and machinery that were there.

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

San Diego Maritime Museum, visit the H.M.S. *Surprise* while the ship used in film *Master and Commander* is on exhibit through Tuesday, November 30. See artifacts, costumes, props used in making of the flick. The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego's waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, including exhibits concerning the old San Diego-Coronado ferryboats, the tuna fishing industry, and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark *Star of India*, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat *Berkeley*, and the 1904 Scottish steam yacht *Medea*. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of Kellogg, this time presenting an intrepid and astute interpretation of the revolutionary work and fanatic personality of sex researcher Dr. Alfred Kinsey. A zoologist at Indiana University, called Prok by his intimates, he is seen through the worshipful eyes of John Milk ...who becomes Prok's first disciple. Milk joins Prok in his prodigious effort to interview thousands of men and women about their sexual experiences as World War II rages, and Milk is both dedicated to the project and conflicted over Prok's attempt to control every aspect of his life, not to mention his insistence on their having sex. Milk is a meticulous and moody narrator, and Boyle has never written more ravishing and poignant descriptions than those depicting Milk's inner turmoil as reflected in Indiana's extreme weather and the tawdry settings in which they conduct their tricky research, which, as Prok becomes famous, grows increasingly voyeuristic and exhibitionistic. Adamantly clinical, Prok dismisses all sexually related emotions as products of uptight social conventions, but as Milk and his wife, Iris, the novel's moral compass, discover, there's no divorcing feelings from sexuality. Boyle's vision of Kinsey as both genius and cult leader is mesmerizing and chilling as he discerningly explores the consequences of a mechanistic view of humanity, and of signing one's life, and conscience, over to a zealot. Strong medicine from a phenomenally artistic, morally inquisitive, and unfailingly compassionate writer.

Publishers Weekly: Released in the late 1940s and early '50s, the Kinsey Reports, the compilations of a scientific study that attempted to quantify male and female sexual behavior, shocked Americans with revelations about their sexuality. Alfred Kinsey's obsessive belief that the human need for sex is little different from animal instinct, and his iconoclastic research methods (including voyeurism and personal interactions), make Kinsey a fitting subject for Boyle's irrepressible imagination.... In the end, the novel can be read as a case study of the price paid by ordinary human beings when they become the apostles to men of genius.

Kirkus Reviews: Boyle is a past master at transforming scrupulously researched material into crisply funny scenes.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: T. C. Boyle was born in 1948, in Peekskill, New York, into a working-class family. Mr. Boyle graduated

North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

San Diego Museum of Man, historic and symbolic role of weapons from around the globe examined in "Weapons of the World: Art, Technology, and Symbolism," continuing through May 2005. Collection showcases more than 150 weapons of all shapes and sizes, including blades, shields, spears, bows, most from private collection of Joseph Jessop, who purchased the items from collectors and traders.

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

"Mapuche: Chilean People of the Land," on view through March 2005, includes more than 100 items such as textiles, basketry, modern and vintage photographs, silverwork. The Mapuche — who were never conquered by the Incas or the Spaniards — boast a complex culture from pre-Hispanic times, speak their own language, earn income through their artwork.

Permanent anthropology exhibit "Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution" features "more than a hundred touchable replicas of early huin 1970 from Potsdam College of the State University of New York, where he met the woman who became his wife and, eventually, mother to the couple's three children. In 1972, he began studies at the University of Iowa Writers' Workshop, earning his Ph.D. in 19th-century British literature from the University of Iowa in 1977. He moved, that year, to Los Angeles, where he began teaching at the University of Southern California. Author now of nine novels and six collections of stories, Mr. Boyle is a tenured professor at UCLA, where he teaches creative writing. "Literature," he has said, "is what saved me."

The Boyle family lives in Santa Barbara in a six-bedroom, 4700square-foot house designed in 1909 by Frank Lloyd Wright, a house believed to be Wright's first private-home project in California and the only example of Wright's Prairie style of architecture west of the Rockies.

Mr. Boyle received the PEN/Faulkner Award for his novel *World's End* and the PEN/Malamud Award for Excellence in Short Fiction. His stories appear regularly in *The New Yorker*, *GQ*, *Esquire*, and *Playboy*.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: When we talked recently by telephone, Mr. Boyle was at home in Santa Barbara, recovering from nasty dental work. I told him how much I'd enjoyed his newest novel, both for its reimagining of Kinsey and for its picture-perfect reproduction of the era in which Kinsey's sex studies and publications took place. I asked how he came to write about Kinsey and his "inner circle."

"I was reexamining the 1960s and the notion of 'free love' and sexuality and asking myself, 'Where was this coming from?' So that it seemed natural for me to go back 20 and 30 years to see when America first began to talk about human sexuality in a way that didn't have to happen in back rooms."

I said again how much I admired Mr. Boyle's re-creation of the late 1930s and the war and postwar periods. "Every detail," I said, "seems perfect — the brown suits on the men, the parties hosted by academics, the battered postwar autos, the rundown hotels where Kinsey and his fellow researchers stayed when they were on the road, conducting interviews."

"I tried hard for such an effect. I tried even to incorporate some (continued on page 91)

mans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine)." 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park commemorates the clash (on December 6, 1846) during the Mexican War between the U.S. Dragoons, bolstered by sailors and volunteers from San Diego, and California militia. Narrated slide-show screens throughout the day, telling the story of the war in Mexico and California. Self-guided tour recounts the events of the battle and profiles the leaders of the forces and also describes the lives of the Indians indigenous to the valley. The museum is found at 15808 San Pasqual Valley Road. 760-737-2201. (ESCONDIDO)

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

Villa Montezuma, built in 1887 for internationally celebrated author and musician Jesse Shepard, serves as both a historical house museum and cultural center. Find the museum at 1925 K Street (at 20th Street). Call 619-239-2211 for more information. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

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of the ways people spoke back then. It's hard to do, though, because if you watch the old movies on TV from the '40s, let's say, the accent is utterly different from any accent you'd hear in America today.'

I said that I thought that in the 1940s people in general were better spoken than we are nowadays. "People actually had conversations.

"I guess that's before our media had taken every second of our time and squeezed it until its blood ran dry, which is why we don't have conversations anvmore and why we don't have contemplative time to read poetry or novels or walk in the woods or do anything else.'

In "real life," Kinsey interviewed many of the Beats - Allen Ginsberg, Herbert Huncke ("Huncke the Junkie," friends for his book on male sexuality. I mentioned to Mr. Boyle that in his new novel, I kept expecting these encounters between Kinsey and the Beats to show up.

As to why the Beats did not appear in his novel, Mr. Boyle

said, "It stood sort of outside the perimeters of what I was doing. Although I could have incorporated it. That would have been really fun."

Mr. Boyle does have a scene that involves a gay hustler, which, certainly, was among Huncke's

"We all know people like

this, people who go from

one mania to another,

and there is never

a point at which they will

stop until a new mania

manifests itself."

occupations. "I figured, though, one gay hustler is the same as the others, and I just wanted to move from the incidences in Kinsey's life, which sort of gives the book a framework through the fictional incidents, and the emotional valence that they might have on an ordinary person. Like on the invented character of John Milk.'

"Did you laugh when you named him Milk?'

"Yeah, it was kind of a nice little coincidence that popped

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into my head. People ask me, 'Where do you get these names?' Sometimes the names have a symbolic value. Other times they are simply names. There's a fine line there because unless you're writing an over-the-top crazy satire, you don't want to pull the reader out of the story thinking, 'My God, what a ridiculous story. I mean, why is he using this?'

"Milk was a happy choice. Absolutely. As were Iris and Violet.' "And," I said, "you have all

that business where Kinsey grows in his garden iris of every kind."

'Yep. That was his true hobby. The historical Kinsey was very much the A-type personality and the domineering person and the autocrat within his own society. His gardening, of course, was one of his manias. We all know people like this, people who go from one mania to another, and there is never a point at which they will stop until a new mania manifests itself. For instance, in Kinsey's gall wasp collection, he went as far as he could go. He collected every possible specimen; he was tireless. No human being could ever have done that. So, too, with his gardening.

"There's that connection of sexuality and the earth. Again, I find these characters and incidents in history that seem to have a ready-made story. They're so unusual that they spark me to create a drama around them. Many people who write novels set in the past, historical novelists, want to replicate a period. They love this period. They want to tell you how it might have been then.

"We are always fascinated with where we came from. But I'm much more interested, not in the generals who won the wars and so on, but in characters like Kinsey, like Dr. Kellogg [in Boyle's The Road to Wellville], who had such an enormous impact on us now that we don't know it. We've forgotten about them.

"We're eating bran and trving to cut back on our deep fat and meat; we try to exercise. All of these notions were completely unheard of before Kellogg. Nobody now knows about Kellogg. This is why I resurrected that story, right down to the high colonic wash — Kellogg's enema machine, for Christ's sake. Because he was obsessed unhealthily with that biological function. And so we all do it, and we talk about it so seriously, and we go to our wellness clinics, and it's the same old crap.

"Do you remember the phrase 'health nut'?"

"Yes. In fact, one of the books that got me going on Kellogg was The Nuts Among the Berries by Ronald Deutsch, a history of our health-food movement, a hilarious, wonderful book."

Kinsey, I suggested, not only collected iris, gall wasps, and classical records, he also collected - with maniac intensity — other

people's sexual experiences. "That was probably his fore-most impulse. He collected gall wasp, as we said. He collected the iris; he had to have the very most exotic ones from all over the world and have the biggest garden. He's a taxonomist. That is what he does in life, and that is another thing that's always fascinated me - collectors and the collecting urge. I've written about it in short stories.

"Where does this come from, why? Well, it's a way of ordering the world. To make a complete taxonomy of anything, you control it to a degree. In a sense, that's what a person like Kinsey wanted, control. The control over his circle and to use them as his sexual minions, I suppose he also wanted. But control over the information too. Not only the private information of people. He could walk down the street and see people he'd interviewed and recall all their sexual secrets. He knew stuff that was pretty explosive.

"He collected erotica. He couldn't stop. He wanted every piece of erotica in the whole world. The collection, as I point out in the book, is in Bloomington, Indiana, this little town in the Midwest; it is the greatest erotica collection in the world. Number two is the Vatican, and (continued on page 92)

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number three is the British Museum.

"What did you do when you visited Bloomington?"

"Nothing sexy and exciting. Mainly what I did, aside from walking around and looking at the campus and looking at Kinsey's house, was go through the Kinsey archives and personal correspondence.

"I didn't get to use much of it in the book, and what I did use was an invention from what I actually learned. After the publication of his first volume in 1948, Kinsey got thousands upon thousands upon thousands of letters in the way that Dear Abby would get letters, only much more heartbreaking.

"They were heartbreaking letters from people for whom Kinsey was like a priest. He was the expert. "I saw all the films that

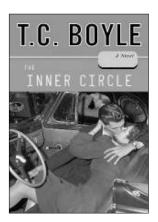
"I saw all the films that were available. I saw what there is of the erotica collection that is available to the public. The real good, juicy stuff — films of the sex and the sex with Kinsey and the inner circle — all of that was not accessible and probably won't be until everybody even remotely associated with it is dead. No one has been allowed to see the juicy stuff."

"After I read your book," I said, "I found your website *www.tcboyle.com* — at which I had never looked. I read there your piece about becoming a writer — 'This Monkey, My Back.' I had recently reread *The Cheever Journals*. You studied with him at the Iowa Writers' workshop. I wanted to ask you about him."

"It's interesting that you should ask. I've just now been in contact with Blake Bailey, who is writing a biography of Cheever. He sent me his Richard Yates biography. Bailey writes so well and organizes well too. So I can't wait for Cheever. I've just dug out my Cheever letters to send copies to Blake. I was looking over them. Cheever had a tremendous influence on me.

"At the time when I met him and he was my teacher, he was extremely morose and very, very drunk, all the time. He was 62, but he looked like he was 82. He didn't know what to do with us. We were these barbarian hippies. I was relatively close to him. Cheever loved my work and stood up for it. I was a real punk. He could have disdained me. But he was there for me. We had something in common, and it was love of literature and an intelligence, I suppose, and he responded to that, and I will forever be grateful to him.

"At the time that I knew him I was very much into experimental fiction. I remember telling him about how great John Barth was, just raving and raving, and Cheever hated Barth and hated anything that smacked of the experimental. And he then claimed to me that he was an experimental writer. He's absolutely right. You look at Cheever's



The Death of Justina, for instance. But what he was really telling me was 'Don't get caught up in trends.'

"I was totally caught up in a trend, thinking I was, at 26 or 27, the greatest thing that ever lived and I knew everything. I now see in the literary world how trends affect literature; people speak in the most absolute terms about so-and-so, this writer who has created a new genre and is the greatest thing going, and five years later that person has disappeared and there's a new one.

"I didn't realize it at the time, but looking back, he taught me more than I gave him credit for. He had a great, great love for nature. His language, which is coming from Shakespeare and the King James Version of the Bible, is just glorious. And his line was longer and more complex than the line of many of the writers of his era and writers who came after him in the school that Hemingway promulgated, which was reflected in people like Ray Carver, lyrical and beautiful writers. Cheever was much more old-fashioned and had a much longer line, which I think is a great thing. I like a long line.

"I like it because then you can punctuate it with a short line. If you're committed only to a kind of advanced journalese, Hemingway-derived, Carverderived — that's fine. But what do you do next? What's your next act?"

"You write, too, in that piece that one simply has to write all the time. That's what writers do. They write. They don't appear in public and appear on television and strive for celebrity."

"As you know, I'm able to juggle work and appearances or have been so far. But I do write, you know. I think the danger, and we look at it in the Yates biography, for instance, is - and many writers we could mention but we won't — they get swept up in the idea of celebrity. They forget how come they got to be celebrated or why they did it in the first place. I think because my audience has grown with me, I never had a point at which I could have a swelled head and think, 'Oh my God, I'm the greatest thing, and now I'm just going to hang at literary bars,' which I would never do anyway.

"I don't care about that. I don't care about being the big dog at the literary party. In fact, the last thing I ever want to do is go to a literary party. Yes, I've begun more and more over the course of my life, to realize that there is a joy in doing it, in trying to interpret the world, this mysterious place, in the way that I've been given a gift to do it. And that is what is the most value in my life.

"Yes, I'm out there seeking celebrity, seeking readers. I love to perform, I love to be onstage, and if I'm not onstage for a couple of months, I do miss it. On the other hand, right now, while I am home and working on a new novel and working every day, this is the best and happiest time in my life."

I agreed. "When I have something new I'm working on, it's like being newly in love with a man who might turn out to be the world's finest fellow."

"It is. It's so great. Of course, you know you've got to sell it at some point, like being in love and then you have to fight through it. But I'm in the early stages. I've got about 50 pages written of a new book."

We talked again about Mr. Boyle's newest book. "I admire Kinsey, to a degree. I admired his iconoclasm and the fact that he enabled us to normalize sexual relations, especially homosexual relations, and to indicate that women should have sexual pleasure, too, and so on and so on. On the other hand, he as a scientist, tried to say, or tried to tell us all, that he could view sex in a completely dispassionate way, as simply an animal function without any notions of romance and love. I wondered if that really is possible.

"I think," I said, "that Dr. Kinsey, in addition to his interest in scientific study of sex, was also always trolling for more personal sexual pleasure."

"Yes, he was. Absolutely. Another thing that's so fascinating about him is that none of this would have worked. He would not have become celebrated, he would have been reviled, hung, tarred and feathered if anyone had any idea what he was actually doing. He was leading such a double life. And taking risks. I mean, going to bathhouses, picking guys up on the street, and so on. And again, he insisted that his inner circle be married and have children and appear normal. 'We're just scientists, and, yes, we're talking about the clitoris today, but nonetheless ...

"I'm still going to screw your wife."

"That's exactly right. So, his risk-taking and his sexual dominance and urge to bend people to his will, his charisma, were all fascinating in regard to what he accomplished."

"He seems like a great bull, Kinsey does, a great Taurus." "Absolutely."

"He roars through your book and chews the pages."

"In fact, he did apparently have an outsized member and was very proud of this, just as the metaphor would suggest. He is the bull roaring through all this. And he had to be the biggest bull in the pasture and make people dance to his tune."

"And they did."

"They did, indeed." ■ — Judith Moore

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GALLERIES

California's Coastal Valleys embodied in "New Paintings" by James Shay, on view through Sunday, October 17, at Susan Street Fine Art Gallery (415 South Cedros Avenue). Meet Shay at reception on Thursday, September 16, 6 p.m. Concurrently, see abstract paintings by Curtis Ripley. 858-793-4442. (SOLANA BEACH)

Recent Paintings by William Glen Crooks are gathered in exhibition opening with reception on Friday, September 17, 6 p.m., at Scott White Contemporary Art (2400 Kettner Boulevard, loft 238). Crooks is included in *100 West Coast Artists*, which he'll sign during reception. 619-501-5689. Closes Saturday, November 6. (LITLE ITALY)

"LikeLife/LifeLike," offering a series of paintings attempting to "capture a glimpse of Burning Man" by Wick Alexander, opens with reception on Friday, September 17, 6 p.m., in Simayspace at Arts College International (840 G Street). Closes Friday, November 5. 619-231-3900. (DOWNTOWN)

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The Collective of Artists at Brokers Building offer exhibit and reception on Friday, September 17, 7 p.m. Show continues noon to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19. Find Third Floor Gallery at Broker's Building Gallery, 402 Market Street (at Fourth Avenue). 619-607-1704. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

"Full Service," 2004 graduate review exhibit continues through Wednesday, September 29, in Flor y Canto and Everett Gee Jackson Galleries at San Diego State University. Reception for artists: Friday, September 17, 6 p.m. 619-594-6511. (SDSU)

"Premature Dreams," exhibit of over 80 paintings by Joshua Krause opens with reception on Friday, September 17, 7 p.m., at Magpie Gallery (2205 Fern Street). 619-563-5124. Through Sunday, October 17. (GOLDEN HILL)

"The Runt Show" by Dan Adams and "A Personal View" by Alo Munizza are featured exhibits, juried by Elissa Lieberman, through Sunday, October 10, at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439 El Prado). Linda Vista Leaders show-

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"The Long Day: Sculpture by Claudette Schreuders" is on exhibit through Wednesday, October 13, in University Art Gallery at San Diego State University. The South African artist presents a slide lecture on Friday, September 17, 6 p.m., in room 100 of Nasatir Hall at SDSU; followed by reception for Schreuders at 7:30 p.m. in gallery. 619-594-5171. (SDSU)

"It's a Fine Line" showcases work by 12 artists working in a variety of media. Show opens with reception on Saturday, September 18, 5 p.m., in Gallery 21 of Spanish Village and closes on Wednesday, September 29. 619-230-0039. (BALBOA PARK)

Intimate Seascape Images by Brent McCullough on view, along with preview of works by George Lepp and Huntington Witherill, at Ordover Gallery (Studio 172, 444 South Cedros Avenue). Artists' reception is Saturday, September 18, 6 p.m. 858-720-1121. See show through Saturday, October 16. (SOLANA BEACH)

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, "Navajo Weaves" includes 33 Navajo objects such as chief's robes, other blankets and rugs woven in the late 19th Century and in 20th Century. Pieces of Navajo silver and turquoise jewelry dating from same era as weavings (from a private collection) also on view.

"Elemental Art of the Indonesian Archipelago" includes more than 100 objects such as textiles, jewelry, puppets, baskets, beaded objects, ritual dance masks, architectural ornaments, household objects, ancestor figures, and shrines. 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)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown, the "Cerca Series" continues with "Gad Shaanan Design," through Sunday, September 26. The firm developed the "sleek new fleet of cars" for San Diego Metropolitan Transit System rolling out this summer. Exhibit focuses on trolley project but also introduces visitors to intricacies of product design, with hand-rendered sketches, computer modeling, handmade protypes.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN) **Museum of Photographic Arts**, "Recent Gifts: For Eye and Mind" is an exhibit showcasing photographs acquired in the past few years; many are on view for first time in the museum. Concurrently, see "David Fokos: Borrowed Time," in which the San Diego photographer uses his minimalist style to focus on life on Martha's Vineyard and surrounding areas. Both exhibits open on close on Sunday, November 14.

"The Circle of Memory" is a provocative installation by six contemporary artists commemorating children and loved ones who are missing or have died. The installation utilizes a strawbale ceremonial structure and a series of photographs of kerbstones, inspired by ancient burial practices and a Neolithic Irish cairn. Continues through Sunday, November 7.

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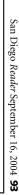
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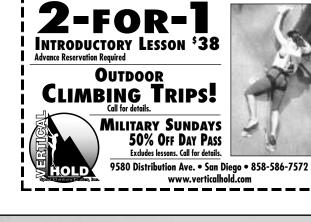
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Benjamin Britten's Version of The Beggar's Opera presented by Lyric Opera San Diego through September 19, at Casa del Prado Theatre. Performances at 8 p.m. on Friday, September 17; 2 p.m. matinees on Saturday and Sunday, September 18 and 19. Tickets: \$18 to \$27. 619-231-5714. (BALBOA PARK)

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Concert in the Park by teachers of Family Fine Arts Academy is Saturday, September 18, 5 p.m., in Memorial Bowl (373 Park Way). Program includes dance and music for piano, guitar, violin, voice. Free. 619-426-4278. (CHULA VISTA)

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"Garden of Aranjuez," Sundays at Six concert series offered by chamber music ensemble Camarada commences with music of Joaquin Rodrigo such as 'Concierto de Aranjuez," Sunday, September 19, 6 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Tickets: \$15-\$25. 619-231-3702. (LA JOLLA)

Composer and Pianist John Naples presents recital on Sunday, September 19, 3 p.m., at Taiwanese-American Community Center (7170 Convoy Court). Free. 858-560-8884. (LINDA VISTA)

"Music of the British Isles" on tap when Marian Liebowitz (clarinet), Richard Thompson (piano) perform for "Music at Lee" series on Sunday, September 19, 2 p.m., at Lee House (3205 Olive Street). \$12. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Pleasure of Your Company series gets underway with piano four-hands concert by Marion Rodewald and Ronald Morebello, Sunday, September 19, 2:30 p.m., at Scripps Miramar Ranch Library (10301 Scripps Lake Drive). Listen for works by Schubert, Bizet, Gershwin, Russell, Rachmaninoff, Liszt. Donations appreciated. 858-538-8158. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

"September Songfest" planned by soprano Sylvia Wen, mezzo Patricia McAfee, tenor Richard Geiler, baritone Christopher Stevens, organist Robert Plimpton on Sunday, September 19, 4 p.m., at First United Methodist Church of San Diego (2111 Camino del Rio South). Program includes vocal music by Gilbert and Sullivan, Kern, Sondheim, Berlin, others. General admission: \$10 advance, \$12 at door. Child care by reservation. 619-297-4366. (MISSION VALLEY)

Music by Brahms is expected when Tom Stauffer (cello), Cynthia Darby (piano), Felix Olschofka (piano) present concert on Sunday, September 19, 2:30 p.m., for San Diego Public Library concert series. Find library at 820 E Street. Free. 619-236-5810. (DOWNTOWN)

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Naumburg Prize-Winning Pianist Anton Nel performs concert for Mainly Mozart, Monday, September 20, 7:30 p.m., in gym at Jackie Robinson Family YMCA (151 YMCA Way). Free tickets: 619-264-0144. (DOWNTOWN)

Selections by Mexican Composers, Beethoven, Chopin, on program when Daniel Noli, professor at National Conservatory of Mexico, performs Monday, September 20, 7:30 p.m., for Chamber Concert Series at Chula Vista Civic Center Library (365 F Street). Free. 619-691-5069. (CHULA VISTA)

Young Croatian Pianist Déjan Lazic opens Chamber Concert Series hosted by Athenaeum Music and Arts Library with pieces by Beethoven, Bartók, and Liszt on Thursday, September 23, 7:30 p.m. Find Athenaeum at 1008 Wall Street. \$27. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"American Beauty," listen for pieces by Howard Hanson, Samuel Barber, Mark O'Connor, Ned Rorem when Camarada chamber music ensemble performs Thursday, September 23, 7 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. \$15. 619-231-3702. (BALBOA PARK)



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utside the Lawrence Welk Theatre, north of Escondido, it's so hot the resort's two executive golf courses are empty. It's so hot people having their picture taken next to Welk's life-size statue in the courtyard aren't

putting a hand on his shoulder, or tilting a head toward their icon. The bronze is too darn hot.

Inside's a Tuesday matinee, the day after a day off for the cast. Due to the weather, most likely, the theater's

about half full. Steam bath outside, small house, a full week of vocally demanding performances ahead — practically a doctor's excuse to phone in the show.

Instead, the Welk cast dives into The Desert Song as if for a command performance — and sings Sigmund Romberg's rich melodies with such relish they make the 1926 operetta brim with life.

The book — Otto Harbach and Oscar Hammerstein's first collaboration with Romberg dresses an old formula in new clothing. It's Lawrence of Arabia does Zorro, in French Morocco. A mysterious figure, the Red Shadow, is aiding the Riff Rebellion against French oppressors. But who is the masked man? The French Foreign Legion wants to know. As does Margot Bonvalet, who, torn between Puritanism and passion, fights an attraction for his Valentino-like charms. Your last choice would be Pierre Birabeau, the tyrannical French governor's nerdy son (whom one critic labeled "a butterfly chaser"). But come on, even Lois Lane -

may have the worst eyesight of any cartoon character — would see Pierre's Red Shadow!

The creaky book can't mask its tricks. And it strains for significance (as when one character tells another, "You will never understand West-

ern love"). But Romberg's exotic score couldn't care less. It proceeds with artistic arrogance. It knows it has got the goods. So does the Welk produc-

tion. From full choral explosions to the terrific leads, everyone contributes with assurance. A highpoint comes in Act Two. The Shadow's henchman Sid (Casey Zeman) stands stage right, before a male chorus. Ali (Dan Tullis, a deep, resonant baritone) is centerstage; the Red Shadow (Andrew Husmann, whose remarkable voice is matched by the ease with which he employs it), stage left. What follows, on paper, is a daring choice. In person, it makes complete sense. Sid, Ali, and the chorus sing the pyrotechnical "One Flower," urging the Red Shadow to look for a woman elsewhere. The Shadow follows with 'One Alone," and affirms his love for Margot. During these songs no one moves, for a good ten minutes. Director Jon Engstrom freeze-blocked the scene, proving that sometimes the most effective theatricality is none at all.

Other highlights: Moorish sets and flowing silks add to the production's allure; Jennifer Bangs scores as Margot, especially her singing of the arioso-like "Romance"; and Katie Wilson and Ciro Barbaro provide savvy comic relief as Susan and Benny, middle-aged innocents. Barbaro,

WHAT THE NATION'S PRESS HAS SAID ABOUT THE PLAY: "ENGROSSING" -L.A. TIMES "MOVING" - HOLLYWOOD REPORTER "ADMIRABLE" - N.Y. TIMES

WHAT SAN DIEGO SAYS ABOUT THE PRODUCTION : "EXCELLENT" -S.D. UNION TRIBUNE "EXCEPTIONAL" - N.C. TIMES "MAGNIFICENT" - KPBS





Brenna Flee Kurt Norby in Desert Song

The Desert Song, music by Sigmund Romberg, book and lyrics by Otto Harbach and Oscar Hammerstein Welk Resort Theatre, 8860 Lawrence Welk Drive, Escondido

Directed and choreographed by Jon Engstrom; cast: Andrew Husmann, Jennifer Bangs, Casey Zeman, Dan Tullis, Ciro Barbaro, Katie Wilson, Jurt Norby, Ralph Johnson, Brenna Fleeman, Samara Otero, Danny Bolero, Geoffrey Washburn, Robert Krahen, Rick Chatham, Michael Elliott, Barbara Chiofalo, Jennifer Sowden, Bebe Brodie, Christy Rube; scenic design, Andrew Hammer; costumes, Ambra Wakefield; lighting, Jennifer Edwards; sound, Patrick Hoyny; musical director, Justin Gray

Playing through November 7; Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Tuesday through Thursday, and Sunday, at 1:45 p.m. 888-802-7469.

Remains, by Seema Sueko Mo'olelo Performing Arts Company, Ark Center for the Performing Arts, 3554 Kettner Boulevard, Middletow

Directed by Siobhan Sullivan; cast: Seema Sueko, Linda Libby, Kathryn Venverloh; scenic design, Robert Dahey; costumes, Megan Fraher; lighting, Kim Palma; sound, Paul James Kruse Playing through October 3; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Matinee Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

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whose character may have been based on Lowell Thomas (who made his reputation praising — many claim over-praising — Lawrence of Arabia), gets to say lines like, "Nice suit. Whadja do...shoot a couch?"

The average age at the Welk theater must be over 75 (I loved the spry, white-haired gent who, when asked how old he was, said, "Ninety-four. Say, they got soda pop here?"). The Desert Song's a classic, but particularly for a Welk audience, many of whom shared remembrances — including three movie versions - during intermission. And slowly, during the curtain call, one by one they stood and applauded: a half-full house, on a dog day summer afternoon, had been treated like royalty.

Mo'olelo in Hawaiian means "story, legend, tale, or narrative." The newly formed Mo'olelo Performing Arts Company's mission, says cofounder Seema Sueko, is "to extend outside the mainstream and tell stories that are not currently being told.'

Sueko's Remains, in its world premiere, makes a bold mission statement. It's an insider's look at the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, told by Laila Ahmed, a



young American student whose trip to the Middle East will cost her life.

Her mother, Carol, reads Laila's journal and examines her belongings - her "remains" — in a cardboard box. Carol pieces together Laila's four months in Israel in 1993. Laila was an American Muslim. And a woman. For the Mo'olelo audience, she becomes a guide to Middle East complexities. Even though she feels "like the plague here," she makes friends, defies stereotypes, tries to see both sides, and eventually becomes politicized — though how much depends on whose version of her story you believe. Various factions compete for the truth about her murder.

Linda Libby in Remains Seema Sueko? In parts of San Diego she's already a household word. Anyone who saw the Old Globe's Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow will never forget Sueko bounding nonstop for two hours - like all the cheerleaders in the world on speed — at once engaging,

she's formed a *company*! The 90-minute script, which falls somewhere between a travelogue and play, is on the talky side. But thoughtful direction by Siobhan Sullivan, and riveting performances by Linda Libby as a shattered Carol Ahmed and Katheryn Venverloh as an officious governmental flak, make for a thought-provoking and moving theater.

funny, and deep. And now

And Sueko, much of whose text is based on a trip she made to the Holy Land, is a wonder as Laila. As she moves beyond bright-eyed innocence, Laila learns the difference between hearing about something (and assuming you understand it) and experiencing it firsthand. One of the strengths of Remains: On several occasions the piece cuts through the Babel of rhetoric and puts human faces on a multisided crisis.

THEATER LISTINGS

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Antony and Cleopatra Even though the cast wasn't always

up to his speed — and if you don't count his tacked-on, feel-good ending — Darko Tresnjak's direction shows a keen awareness of Shakespeare's sweeping drama. Tresnjak's epic stage pictures and subtle nuances serve this difficult play. Maybe it's because they're cast in two repertory shows. Maybe not. But on opening night Dan Snook's earnest, beleaguered Marc Antony and Sara Surrey's attitudethick Cleopatra had neither the size nor the range for their roles. Both were tentative when Antony should be having Rome's most pronounced male midlife crisis and Cleopatra should be the world's most liberated diva. Neither came close, which left major gaps in the production. James Joseph O'Neil makes Octavius statue-cold, an appropriate choice given that the leader of the Pax Romana was more calculating machine than human. Bruce Turk heads the support cast as an ethereal soothsaver who seems to walk on air. Unlike much of his work, Ralph Funicello's austere set - multileveled with fluted Roman columns - lacks eye appeal. A centerstage turntable offers striking visuals, however, as during a battle when, under York Kennedy's blistering red lighting, combatants freeze in a revolving tableau. Costume designer Linda Cho color-coded the characters: Romans in shades of red, Egyptians in shades of cream (the brightest reds and whitest whites worn by the higher ups). Maybe in time the leads will inhabit, rather than just wear, Antony and Cleopatra's emo tions. Maybe not. LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26, (NOTE: ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH AS YOU LIKE IT AND THE TWO NOBLE KINSMEN: CALL THE THEATER FOR DAYS AND TIMES OF EACH.) 619-239-2255. Art

But is it "art"? Serge, one of Marc's oldest friends, just bought an allwhite painting. Okay, says Marc, "if you screw up your eyes, you can make out some fine white diagonal lines." But it's a '70s Antrios, boasts Serge, who paid "100 grand" for the four-by-three canvas. Does owning it suddenly make Serge a "collector"? Mark thinks not. Yvan doesn't care but tries to keep his

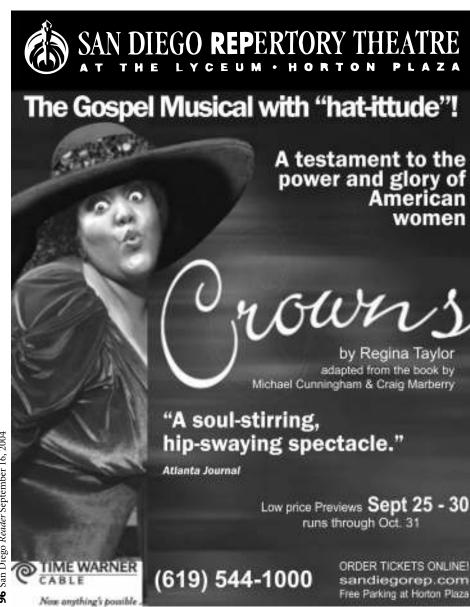
best friends from each other's throats, the painting having put their friendship — and, eventually, Yvan (who calls it "apocalypse because of a white square") — in a new perspective. Unlike the paint ing, there is less to Yasimia Reza's play than meets the eye (it's rarely more than three one-dimensional characters bickering; did the Antrios trigger something, or have their friendships always been shallow?) But the Lamb's Players Theatre, under Deborah Gilmour's tight direction, gives the 90-minute piece life. Robert Smyth, as the controlling Marc; Paul Eggington, as put-upon, closet-snobbish Serge; and especially Tom Stephenson as Yvan, the group's Sancho Panza, do ensemble work so precise it verges on choreography. Stephenson stops the show with Yvan's long, hilarious monologue (which is about another example of friendships under pressure). Mike Buckley's excellent set has enough rightangles for a Mondrian. Lit by Bill E. Kickbush, the abstract set takes on the properties ascribed to

the painting. (Note: due to popular demand, Lamb's has extended the run of Art.) Worth a try.

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 OR-ANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 619-437-0600

As You Like It

In the Old Globe's outdoor production Rosalind, Shakespeare's best professor on the subject of love, dons rustic male apparel and gives Orlando a seminar. Though at times given to mannered gestures, Katie MacNichol's Rosalind commands the stage with energy



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and intelligence. She has large, silent film-expressive eyes - or are they Rosalind's? Wearing a grungy bathrobe, Charles Janasz's melan choly Jaques is livelier and more spontaneous than most, as is Gregor Paslawsky's Touchstone, whom designer Lewis Brown dresses, in pantomime white with red trim, like a walking wedding cake. Though not all acting is of a piece (one could wish the younger actors had a better sense of how to fill the spaces), Jonathan McMurtry makes old Adam memorable by paring him to the core. The simple wisdom Adam utters contradicts Jaques's claim that all old people are "sans teeth, sans eyes, sans taste, sans everything." Overall the production, directed by Karen Carpenter, plays down the middle, attempting neither burning insights nor show-stopping effects. It

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torical, sociological, even televisional (at one point the cast blazes through TV theme songs, and mini-bursts of recognition ignite in the audience). The show alternates between nostalgia and hard looks at then (JFK, Vietnam) and now. Backed by a hot band, the cast sings snatches of songs. It's as if your time machine is channel-surfing. Just as you remember one, the cast does another. The result: waves, at times floods, of remembrances. Directed by Meads, the briskly-paced production boasts micro-accurate period costumes by Jeanne Reith, a set composed of countless logos (from golden arches to Alfred E. "What, Me Worry?" Newman of Mad magazine), and strong singing voices. For actual Baby Boomers, the show also includes advice for overcoming the "Big Chill Syndrome." It's lively, funny, and could run forever.

Worth a try.

LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA. DOWNTOWN, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 22; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M 619-437-0600.

Brooklyn Boy

South Coast Repertory Theatre stages the world premiere of Donald Margulies' drama about Eric Weiss. Suddenly famous, he must decide "if grabbing what he's dreamed of means letting go of what he holds dear." Daniel Sullivan directed.

SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE. SEGERSTROM STAGE, 655 TOWN CEN-TER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH OC-TOBER 10; TUESDAY THROUGH SATUR DAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 714-708-5555

Cavalia: A Magical Encounter Between Horse and Man

Sixty performers and 37 horses in an extravaganza, created by Normand Latourelle, one of the founders of Cirque du Soleil. Erick Villeneuve directed. THE BIG TOP, DEL MAR FAIRGROUNDS (VIA DE LA VALLE TURNOFF, I-5), DEL MAR. TUESDAY. SEPTEMBER 21. THROUGH OCTOBER 1; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 1:00 P.M. AND 5:00 P.M. 866-999-8111.

The Chosen

Aaron Posner and Chaim Potok's dramatization of Potok's 1967 novel is slow paced, often lacks spark, and is overly narrated (with the narrator often defusing the drama). But the North Coast Rep's production, directed by David Ellenstein, ranks among its best in some time. The play takes place between 1944 and 1948, a time of sweeping transition for Jews throughout the world. Set in Brooklyn, it's a tale of two fathers and two sons. One is called "tata" (Yiddish) the other "abba" (Hebrew/Aramaic); the different namings point to vast differences in traditional education. In the play, these clash. As Reb Sanders, a legendary Hassidic rabbi, Robert Grossman's so superb you'd swear the actual character's playing the part: sharp, distant, entitled, longsuffering, Grossman reveals a man for whom change takes an unthinkable toll. As the two sons Tom Zohar and Christopher M. Williams are always effective in coming-of-age roles. Also worthy of note are the production's vivid details, from Marty Burnett's set (two booklined studies divided by a graveled Brooklyn street), Jeanne Reith's culture-rich costumes, and



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Convention Celebration

6th@ Penn Theatre stages Gerald Zipper's new play about presidential intrigue.

6TH@ PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH SEPTEM-BER 26; MONDAY THROUGH WEDNES-DAY AT 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

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The Desert Song

Reviewed this issue. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH NOVEMBER 7; TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEES TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448. **Dirty Rotten Scoundrels** The Old Globe Theatre presents the Broadway-bound musical music and lyrics by David Yazbek, book by Jeffrey Lane — based on the Steve Martin movie. Jack

O'Brien directed. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEM-BER 22, THROUGH OCTOBER 31; TUES-DAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATUR-DAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

An Enemy of the People

As a benefit for the theater, 6th@Penn presents a staged reading of Henrik Ibsen's drama that contrasts "the enlightened and persecuted minority with the ignorant and powerful majority." Jack Banning directed. 6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE, HILLCREST, THURSDAY, SEPTEM-

BER 16, THROUGH SATURDAY, SEPTEM-BER 18, AT 8:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

One of the longest-running shows in Off-Broadway history, Perfect covers the zodiac of relationships, starting with a first date ("Will I be a date from hell?"), through the singles scene ("Single Man Drought"), to marriage, children, even a funeral. Along the way a San Quentin con scares a timid couple into taking the Big Step ("You gotta compromise a little, you 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, enhance every scene with strong voices and precise character details. Credit as well to the costume designer, unnamed in the program, who provided everything from tuxes to Charger 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.

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Late-Night Catechism

The Laguna Playhouse has extended the run of this popular show several times. It's an "interac tive adult catechism" class, taught by a sister from the spare-not-therod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister is sub stituting (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 in 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 Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change I've seen the show: (*a*) an evening

of almost nonstop 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 this show's run several times.) **Worth a try.**

LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH, THROUGH OCTOBER 21; MONDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 949-497-2787.

The Love of Three Oranges The La Jolla Playhouse presents an adaptation of Carlo Gozzi's popular comic scenario. The only thing that can save Prince Tartaglia from terminal hypochondria is a good laugh.Nona Ciobanu directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS FORUM, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19,

THROUGH OCTOBER 17; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010.

Measure for Measure

"There is scarce truth enough alive to make societies secure, but security enough to make fellowships accursed." Duke Vincentio's "riddle" becomes more relevant with each passing day, even though the voyeuristic Duke, one of Shakespeare's creepiest characters, is expert at the condition he bemoans. *Measure for Measure* — what many call the Bard's "farewell to comedy" — tries to cure injustice with injustice so often it feels bottom-

less. Take away Dante's pyrotechnics in the Inferno, and it's hard to conceive of a fiercer hell than the Duke's Vienna, where law and law lessness reign in the extreme. The Poor Players' modern-dress production (the Duke's in shorts and floral shirt; Angelo's a buttondown "Organization Man") has a better understanding of the play than most I've seen. The ending, in which the forced marriages and forced resolutions get spotlit, drips with appropriate uncertainty. At the same time, however, the acting, even some of the leads, is a mix: ranging from slow or sprinted declamations to lack of focus to detailed portrayals (Richard Baird's "snow-broth" Angelo, Justin Lang's Lucio, Brandon Walker's funny Pompey Bum, Beth Everhart in several roles).

Worth a try.

ADAMS AVENUE STUDIO OF THE PER-FORMING ARTS, 2804 ADAMS AVENUE, NORMAL HEIGHTS, THROUGH SEPTEM-BER 19; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-584-3593.

Mitch Albom's Tuesdays with Morrie

The Laguna Playhouse presents the West Coast premiere of Jeffrey Hatcher and Mitch Albom's dramatization of Albom's popular book.

LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH, THROUGH OCTOBER 10; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 949-497-2787.

National Comedy Theatre

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the





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Nothing Wrong With Robert

Lamplighters Community Theatre presents Neal Sullivan's comedy about Robert and his new friend, a "reluctant vampire." LAMPLIGHTERS COMMUNITY THEATRE, 8053 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LA MESA, THROUGH OCTOBER 3; FRIDAY AND SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-464-4598.

A Raisin in the Sun

Ion Theatre and Common Ground Theatre stage Lorraine Hansberry's drama about an African-American in 1950s Chicago who wants to buy a home in a suburban neighborhood.



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Remains

The new Mo'oleo Performing Arts Company stages Seema Sueko's drama about a mother, her daughter, and "their journey through the Israeli-Palestinian conflict." Siobhan Sullivan directed. THE ARK CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, 3554 KETTNER BOULEVARD, SAN DIEGO THROUGH OCTOBER 3: THURS

DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-342-7395

Rocco's Tune

Star Theatre presents the world premiere of a new musical comedy version of the Song of Solomon, by Andrea Bearden-Kuhns, Al Valetta directed.

STAR THEATRE, 402 NORTH COAST HIGHWAY, OCEANSIDE, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-434-5747.

San Diego Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and Family Feud. Improv, making up a funny scene as y go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Improv) I've even read about making theater. And

they put his pearls to good use. Their motto: "Remember, when it's not funny, it's art." Worth a try. THE FUNHOUSE, 6822-B EL CAJON BOULEVARD (BETWEEN 68TH AND 69TH), COLLEGE AREA, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:45 P.M. (THE "FAMILY" SHOW) AND AT 9:45 P.M. ("RATED PG-13"), 619-465-7469,

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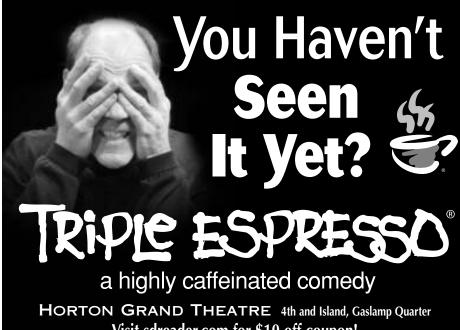
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Lee Blessing's drama about "one violent night and a lifetime of questions" is not in good hands at Diversionary Theatre, Except for an assured performance by Jonathan Dunn-Rankin, the rest of the six-member cast ranges from many-rehearsals-away to incompetent. Indicated emotions, much shuffling of feet, monotone readings - all make Blessing's script, about a rift and a road not taken, both hard to assess, and hard to take seriously (the acting's so bad, in spots, that urgent, dramatic lines get laughs). James Ferguson's set, a moldy old farmhouse interior, Jeff Fightmaster's appropriately somber lighting, and Shulamit Nelson's country outfits are Diversionary quality. Not much of the rest, directed by Jeffrey Ingman, comes even close. DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.

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Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "ordinary" ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from Forever Plaid. There's also the Forever Plaid problem: the three comedians are far too talented to play inept characters. One's a whiz at the piano.

Another's a first-rate mime, and the third's a crackerjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they'd quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)

Worth a try.

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The Two Noble Kinsmen

Imagine A Midsummer Night's Dream without Oberon and Titania bickering, or impish Puck botching an assignment with herbal juice liquor. Darko Tresnjak begins Shakespeare's Two Noble Kinsmen with the beginning to Dream. What follows - mixedup lovers, much scampering about - is a Dream unfolding in a parallel universe where irony reigns, as does what Olivia in Twelfth Night calls "midsummer madness." Not the first half, in which Palamon and Arcite both fall for Emilia and which gets played for laughs, but in the second, where the man Emilia doesn't choose must die. At the

end of A Midsummer Night's Dream a new, humane order emerges in Athens. At the end of Tresnjak's Kinsmen, madness threatens to devour the world. Even though edited a good deal (most of Act One's gone), Kinsmen's still a mite talky. But Tresnjak's lively direction and capable work by Karen Zippler (Emily, a tragic victor), Graham Hamilton (Palamon), Brian Sgambati (Arcite), and Bree Elrod (the jailer's Ophelia-like daughter) make for one of those rare evenings in the theater when you find yourself laughing, and then wondering why. Worth a try.

LOWELL DAVIES FESTIVAL THEATRE, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 26. (NOTE: KINS-MEN RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA AND AS YOU LIKE IT: CALL THE THEATER FOR DAYS AND TIMES.) 619-239-2255.

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"He rolled his Bronco approximately ten times. It was late in the afternoon, about five. He was running a little late to a gig.'

are going to do reconstructive surgery on his face on Friday [September 10].

Fisher said the accident happened at the La Jolla Village Drive exit off of northbound 805.

the wreckage [of his 1986 Bronco]. The truck ended up upside down. He would be

dead if it wasn't that the car

a trauma surgeon and his

nurse in it. They had to get

something to get him out.

There was no brain damage

face was smashed.... His

A Crawford High

earn a master's degree in

music from UCSD. He has

toured with David Benoit,

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Jimmy Smith, and Larry

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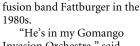
Bassist Glen Fisher was sharing the details about his longtime friend and musical collaborator Hollis Gentry, who was involved in an auto accident September 2.

His mother, Teddy, said that Gentry is in serious condition and cannot yet speak.

Fisher said the gig that the 50-year-old sax man was on his way to "was somewhere in UTC.

Fisher said the hospital he is staying at is not releasing Gentry's information. "They

"His head was trapped in



the trailblazing local jazz-

Invasion Orchestra," said Fisher. "We have a gig this Friday at the Barefoot Bar." Fisher said, "Say a prayer

for Hollis. That might be



HOLLIS GENTRY IN THE HOSPITAL

appropriate at this point. Without a doubt this is one of the best musicians in the world."

Last Saturday Gentry's sister said, "The surgery went very well. He is responding well.... Only part of his face needed surgery.3

According to www.pbs.org, in a Frontline interview in 2002 with Tab Turner, a product liability attorney who specializes in SUV rollover cases, "The Bronco II story is so known to everybody in the country that is interested in automotive safety. It's sort of like the Pinto - it is literally that bad. What happened with the Bronco II in 1982 was they could not keep the wheels of this vehicle on the ground in very simple turning maneuvers.... There was a point in June 1982 where there was a meeting between the engineers who were actually working on the Bronco II and...[the] vice president in charge of all truck operations in North America. We have the actual notes from that meeting where they were talking about rollover.' A report at

Environmental Working Group review (*www.ewg.org*) reveals that "Ford engineers knew in 1982 that the original sport utility vehicle, the Bronco II, was prone to rollover during routine safety tests. With modest stability changes that did not significantly reduce rollover potential, the Bronco II was renamed the Explorer in 1990.'

— Ken Leighton

Out of 12,000 at the sold-out Prince show

September 5 at SDSU's Cox Arena, 66-year-old Jane Hadley was one of ten women plucked out of the crowd to dance with the Purple One onstage. Although Hadley used to live in San Diego from 1960 to 1964 when her ex-husband was stationed at MCRD, she hadn't been here in 40 years. She flew out from Simsbury, Connecticut, just to see the show. Her son, Ben Hadley, 34, covered the plane fare and ticket for his mom.

"He's an attorney who lives in Pasadena. This is the third time he saw Prince this year." They had seats on the floor.

Ben said, "Before the show I saw the woman with the purple dress and the one with the Prince symbol on her tambourine walking back and forth in front of Prince's security guy to get noticed. As far as I could tell, all the people except my mom were picked before the show got started by that security guy."

"Prince came over to our side of the stage," said Mrs. Hadley. "I was imitating his moves but was being very subtle about it. He looked down and crooked his finger

to come up here. A security man came and took me up. I didn't feel I was dressed for it or that it was the right thing to do.

But she obliged. Hadley



PRINCE DANCES WITH SENIOR, SKIPS ON 'CANES

was one of the few women who were given a mike by Prince. "He put the mike up to my mouth on 'Call My Name.' I got to sing a few words."

"This was easily one of the best evenings of her life," said Ben.

— Ken Leighton

"If he doesn't play, I don't care if he shows up or not," 'Canes Bar





and Grill owner Eric Leitstein says he told Prince's "foundation handlers" on the night of Sunday, September

5. During his last two San Diego performances, Prince held his after-concert parties at 'Canes; this time, however, he didn't show following his set at Cox Arena.

"Prince is a fickle guy," Leitstein said. "The first time he was here, he played for an hour and 15 minutes, and he was great. The second time, he just wanted to hang out and party."

"So these events aren't by special invite?"

"The deal is, his foundation gets 100 percent of the door. We make little money off it and do it for the publicity. We don't make much off the bar because people don't come to drink; they want to see 'the Artist.'

The last two times Prince came to 'Canes, the door charge was \$20; this time Prince's people wanted \$25. Prince, Leitstein explained, was supposed to show at 11:30 p.m., but at 11:20

Leitstein got a call and says he was told by one of Prince's people, "We don't know if he wants to do it."

"I was assured by his manager, Trevor Allen, that this was not going to be an 'appearance' but a 'performance,' " said Leitstein. "They called Fox and several radio stations to announce this. We jumped through hoops. We had five hours to get this ready. I had to cancel an

act. We had to rent additional sound equipment as well as hire two outside security companies." When asked, Leitstein

declined to

say which

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Four hundred people

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showed up, Leitstein

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angry." "Were you told why he

"No. Who knows why?

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"He still goes by that

didn't want to show up?

But that's what happens

dozen who were really

"I was standing in the **beer line** when a white male cut the line and began buying beer for his friends,' stated Derrick Fuqua to police officers in a battery report (case #04-054185) at



Street Scene.

THE CONTENTIOUS STREET SCENE BEER GARDEN

This is one of several minor crime cases that happened on Friday, August 27, at the parking lots just south of Petco Park.

"He's 'Prince' these days;

– Michael Hemmingson

Leitstein said, adding, "I have

he used to be 'the Artist,'

a new name for him now."

Fuqua, according to the police report, told the man that "he couldn't do that, but he just ignored me. He began passing the beer next to my face, so I pushed one of the beers. The next thing that happened was I was thrown beer at and getting punched. I remembered getting hit by the white guy in the white

The man in the white hat was identified as Aaron Dobark; a citizen's arrest was made, and Mr. Dobark was cited for battery.

hat."

Dobark gave this statement: "He [Fuqua] was upset that I was buying beer for my friends that [were] standing behind him. He pushed one of my beers, and then he pushed me. I pushed him back. I don't know how he got a bloody nose.'

Meanwhile, at the Time Warner Stage where the Black Eyed Peas were playing, there was rough stuff (case #04-054184). Mabel Ribas flagged down two police officers and said she was pushed and struck several times by two males and one female. It started, according to Ribas, when she told the suspects not to push her as the crowd moved closer to the stage. One of the males "half turned and using his right elbow, struck [Ribas] in the throat, between her chin and chest." Ribas told him to "act like a man!" The male allegedly grabbed her in a headlock and told another male and female, "Hit her, hit her; I got her!"

Ribas's friends were able to get her out of the crowd. The three suspects were later identified by Ribas, taken into custody, and issued misdemeanor citations for battery.

– Michael Hemmingson

The Dragons have called it quits. On the

Dragons' website (www.TheDragons.com) singer Mario Escovedo issued this statement: "Not many bands survive 13 years together, so it's with a heavy heart that I spread the news that the Dragons have decided to end the band .. Ken [Mochikoshi Horne, the guitarist] and I met shortly after he moved here from Japan. We then started the Dragons in 1991. Ken now plans to go back to the Land of the Rising Sun in October,



THE DRAGONS SAY SAYONARA so we have three remaining

shows together." Mario also writes that he is working on a solo record and that Steve Rodriguez, the Dragons' bass player, has been busy with his shoe company TUK. Mario points out that the Dragons have had "seven releases, three 7' vinyl releases, and a vinyl

release in Spain. We've toured the country six times...and toured Japan."

Their releases are available on their website, and so is Por Vida: A tribute to the songs of Alejandro Escovedo. Mario's brother, who was in the bands Rank & File and the Nuns, has hepatitis C. The CD is to help raise money for his medical expenses and to help other musicians with the disease.

The artists on the disc include Ian Hunter, the Jayhawks, Jennifer Warnes, John Cale, Los Lonely Boys, Lucinda Williams, Sheila E. (who is the Escovedos' cousin), as well as the Dragons.

The Dragons' last three shows are at the Casbah tomorrow and the Knitting Factory in L.A. on the 24th, and they're at the Gold Coast Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas on the 26th.

— Josh Board

Will San Diego soon be the only major American city without an FM oldies radio station?

Insiders say that Clear Channel is planning to drop the Beach Boys, the Beatles, and the Bee Gees from "Oldies 99.3"/XOCL and switch it to a Spanishspeaking format.

San Diego is the 17th largest radio market in the country. None of the other top 20 metro areas are







without an FM oldies station. Clear Channel employees are also starting to discuss the possible disappearance of "XTRA Sports 690." They are saying that XTRA 690 AM will give up sports after two decades and start playing nostalgic oldies similar to what the now-defunct KPOP-AM (1360) aired for more than ten years.

XTRA 690 was one of the first all-sports stations in the country when it signed on in

the mid-1980s. Jeannie Zelasko and Jim Rome launched their careers at XTRA Sports. XOCL FM and

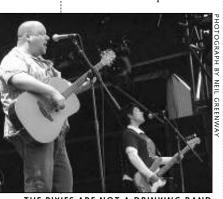
XTRA-AM are Mexicanowned Tijuana

stations leased by Clear Channel. Calls to XOCL program director Dave Mason and XTRA program director Don Martin were not returned, but insiders speculate that these changes will be made because on September 3, the Third Circuit Court ruled that if a radio station shows up on the San Diego Arbitron survey, it must count as a San Diego station, meaning that Clear Channel has 13 local stations, and it is only allowed to have 8. After a 90-day period, during which Clear Channel may appeal the ruling to the U.S. Supreme Court, Clear Channel would then have two years to spin off 4 of its 9 FM stations and one of its AM stations.

- Ken Leighton

When the Pixies play **UCSD's RIMAC Arena**

September 21, their contract with the venue requires that



THE PIXIES ARE NOT A DRINKING BAND "the whole backstage area needs to be an alcohol-free zone." The "male dressing room" (Frank Black, Joey



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Santiago, and David Lovering) must be stocked with a CD sound system as well as a sliced smoked salmon platter, a tin of Suisse Mocha International Coffee, a veggie platter "with hummus," and a cheese selection "to include [le] roule." The 48 nonalcoholic beers must be "Hacke [Beck]," and any bottled water is okay except "no Aquafina" (sparkling water from San Pelligrino is suggested). The guys also want "one new deck of poker-size[d] Bicycle playing cards" and eight packs of foam earplugs ("yellow sponge ones"). Kim Deal's dressing room has only three required items: still water (not bubbly), spring water, and a 12-pack of

nonalcoholic beer. - Jay Allen Sanford

"It sold out," said Darrel Goodin, 94/9's general manager, about his station's September 19 concert at SDSU's Open Air Theater featuring the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Death Cab for Cutie, Muse, Franz Ferdinand, and Secret Machines. Out of 4200 tickets, more than half sold the first day they went on sale, August 20.

This is the first largevenue listener-appreciation show attempted by FM-94/9 in its two years as a modern rock station. Tickets for the event were \$24.

Earlier this year Clear Channel's 91X abandoned the large-venue concept for its annual X-Fest, a concept the station has used almost every year since 1983. The 2004 X-Fest was refashioned into a series of seven separate events held in smaller clubs, most of which sold out. "We allowed people to get

closer to their favorite band,' said 91X program director Jim Richards.

— Ken Leighton

Annoyatorium.com gathered votes for "Worst Annoying Songs of All Time," with blink-182's "Fucking Dogs" earning six percent of the vote. The message forum includes the comment, "I wouldn't be surprised if they really do.... Should get the ASPCA onto them!

A CNN.com poll listed Marcos Curiel's departure from P.O.D. as one of last

year's "Worst Disappointments."

At popculturemadness.com, 'Rex's List of Bad Songs' includes longtime San Diegan Barry White at #19 with "Can't Get Enough of Your Love, Babe." The same site's "Bad Music Haikus" include an ode to Jewel: "Crooked Teeth Likes to

Sing About Screwing Huge Hooters — Iav Allen Sanford

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ike Keneally is a 42-year-old "stunt guitarist" from La Jolla. He earned the title of stunt guitarist while a member of one of Frank Zappa's final touring bands. Keneally is a hired six-string gun, a keyboard

player, a singer, and a composer. He has released 11 of his own albums and has recorded and/or toured with many. The short list includes Steve Vai, Robert Fripp, and Wayne Kramer of the MC5.

Keneally owns a standard 20-gig iPod with typical accessories: an iTunes adapter for use with his car stereo and headphones. Just back from a chamber music festival ("in order to accommodate me," he says, "they stretched the definition of chamber music to include experimental rock") held in Sweden this July, Keneally was at home taking a breather when he phoned in this report.

'I have the first iPod that went on the market, the iPod with the 1000-song capacity. It was actually a gift. I was grateful to have received it, but I didn't actually put it to use for about three years. Why? Because I have an inherent distrust of modern technology. I generally don't like to listen to music in anything other than a pure format. An MP3 file is actually just a digital snapshot of a song. I suppose I was being a bit of an elitist.

"It was actually Scott Chatfield [Keneally's manager and partner in Exowax Records] who

insisted that I be dragged screaming and kicking into the 21st Century. He plugged my iPod into his computer. He has an outrageous collection of music already downloaded onto his hard drive so I got to pick and choose from [Scott's] bizarre library.

Matt Resnicoff is the DOWNLOADS friend who gave me the iPod. He used to be the editor of both Guitar Player and Musician

Magazine. I travel with a lot of CDs, and I don't usually have time to take them and the little folders out of the little plastic case and put the discs into one of those portable sleeves. I usually just throw the whole thing into a bag, which is not the most convenient way to travel. Matt thought that it was completely indefensible that I'd open up my bag in a hotel room and spill out everything. But I rather liked it - it was like bringing a little bit of home along with me. I still bring along stacks of CDs - plus the iPod. I don't have time to download all the stuff I'd like to listen to because I travel so much, and I'm generally trying frantically to finish up some project before I have to leave for the airport.

'I've got the iTrip attachment. It's funny: Using that has got me back to listening to radio again. Hunting for a clear FM frequency (necessary when using the iTrip) has made me listen again. I'm enjoying radio again for the first time in years. So now in the car, I listen to the radio more than the iPod.



Mike Keneally

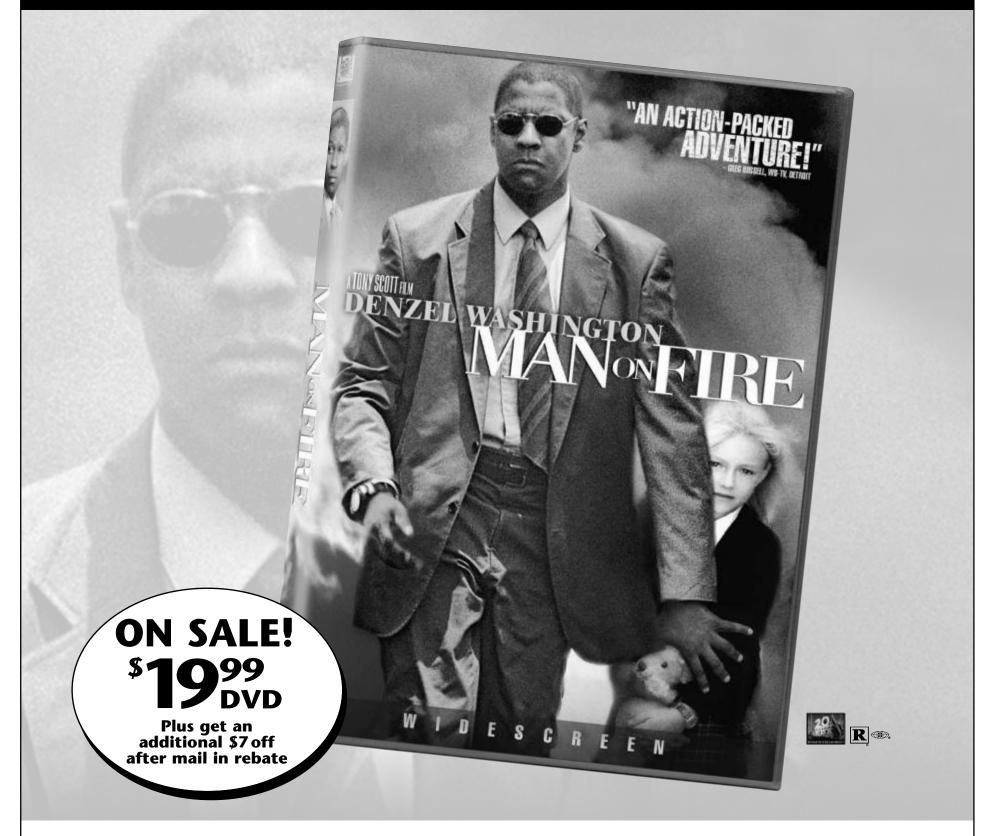
"I eniov any kind of music that shows any evidence of sincerity and vision. I gravitate towards Miles Davis, Neil Young, the Beatles the real ones," he says. "I'm not immune to newer music either. Radiohead has been a positive influence. I don't have my music organized in genres, playlists, or folders. When I downloaded the music initially, I just grabbed the songs or albums I wanted."

As such, Keneally has no top ten list. Instead, he has an assortment of eclectic proportions beginning with the Beatles: "Every one of their albums. There's also storage space for everything I've recorded, which is helpful for rehearsals with my band. I've got all of my own albums. I have Todd Rundgren, Radiohead, and a good

amount of Neil Young. I have several albums by Negativland, an experimental San Francisco group. There is a local composer and percussionist named Nathan Hubbard — I have his Skeleton Key Orchestra. Got a nice collection of Miles's '60s quintet stuff. Got the Buzzcocks and the Butthole Surfers right next to each other. You never know what you're going to need to listen to at any moment.³

The list continues with Emitt Rhodes, Bill Frisell, some Zappa demos, Jimi Hendrix, Joni Mitchell, the Kinks, Little Feat, Stephen Stills, the Staple Singers, Thelonius Monk, Tommy James and the Shondells, and a collection of the very best of Dusty Springfield. Why Springfield? "Because she's wonderful."





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FRIDAY

Flogging Molly [316] and the Briggs: 4th & B, Friday, September 17, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Dennis Quaid & the Sharks and **Billy Watson:** Belly Up Tavern, Friday, September 17, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Dickey Betts & Great Southern and the Marshall Tucker **Band** [537]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, September 17, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Tish Hinojosa [830]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, September 17, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

SATURDAY

Christine Lavin: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, September 18, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 19, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

> "Independence Jam" with the Yeah Yeah Yeahs, Franz Ferdinand, Muse, Death Cab for

Bobby Caldwell [621]: Humphrey's

SUNDAY

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The Pixies, who never had much more than a cult following in the United States and

whose individual members saw their musi-

cal careers dwindling in recent years, got

back together earlier this year for a reunion

that are four times the size of the places

they played in 1989. Newspapers that

wouldn't have dreamed of writing about the

Pixies during the days of the first Bush

administration have devoted dozens of col-

umn inches to them during the second. The

Pixies may have been in their prime 15

years ago, but their heyday is now. They've

released a new song on iTunes Music Store,

and they're talking about recording a new

The Pixies are now headlining venues

tour and were greeted with pure joy.

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Cutie [392], and the Secret Machines: Open Air Theatre, Sunday, September 19, 6 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

album.

Simple nostalgia can't

account for the phenomenon. Like the Stooges, the Velvet Underground, and a

handful of other bands, the Pixies' reputation

grew posthumously. There

are a lot of reasons for

that - the most famous

being Nirvana's adoption

of the band's signature

soft verse/loud chorus dynamic — but another

factor is that the Pixies'

records rewarded repeated

listenings as few of their

peers' records did. Pixies

chief Black Francis (later

known as Frank Black)

flattered his listeners'

intelligence by peppering

his songs with bits of Spanish and French

and references to surrealist film, but he kept

the lyrics light enough that they never wore

out their welcome. Kim Deal's occasional

vocals added a bit of sweetness that made

the oddness go down a lot more smoothly.

And Joey Santiago's surfy lead-guitar parts

MONDAY

Gary Allan and Eve Selis [410]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,

Monday, September 20, 7:30 p.m.,

Ministry: 4th & B, Tuesday,

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WEDNESDAY

The Circle Jerks: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, September 22, 3105

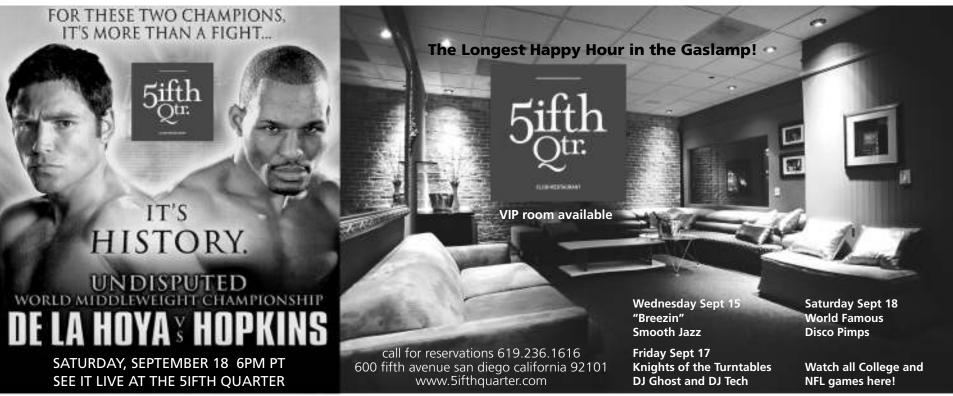




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EXTENSION 4001

UPCOMING CONCERTS

SEPTEMBER

ZZ Top [541]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, September 23, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Sergio Mendes & Brasil

2004 [650]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, September 23, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

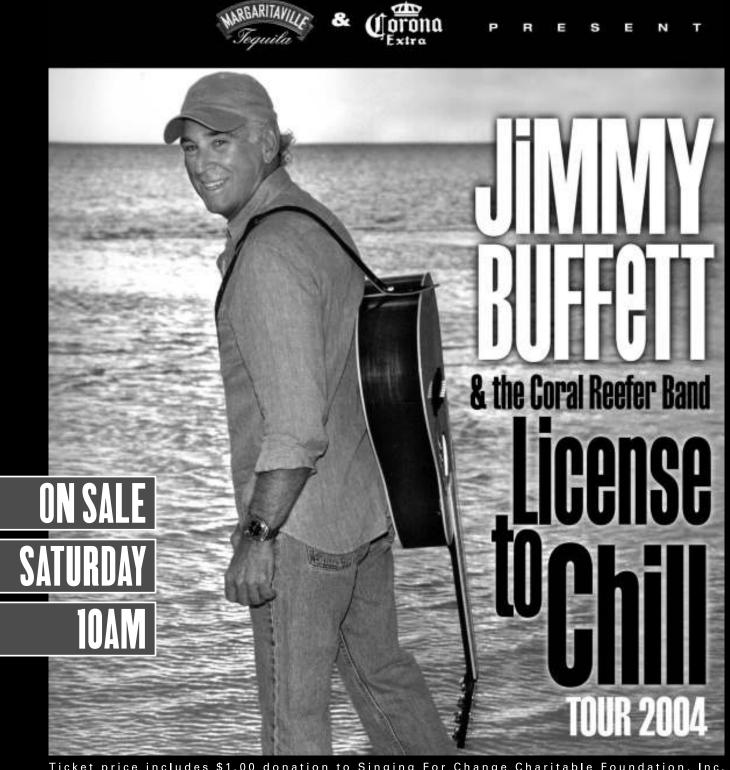
Cheap Trick: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, September 23, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa, 619-659-3380.

Richard Shindell: Acoustic Music San Diego, Thursday, September 23, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Don Carlos [746]: Belly Up Tavern Friday, September 24, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140. Vienna Teng: Acoustic Music San

Diego, Saturday, September 25, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176. "The 23rd Annual Adams Avenue

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10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Adams Avenue (between 35th and Bancroft), Normal Heights. 619-282-7329.

Sting [582], Annie Lennox, and Dominic Miller: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, September 26, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or

619-220-8497. **Randy Travis** *[777]*: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Sunday, September 26, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Huev Lewis & the News [590] and Alice Stuart: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, September 26, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Stvx [563]: Vieias Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, September 28, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400

Story of the Year, the Lost Prophets, My Chemical Romance, and Letter Kills: SOMA, Wednesday, September 29, 6:45 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

Earth, Wind, and Fire: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, September 29, and Thursday, September 30, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

El Vez [824]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, September 30, 8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

OCTOBER

Tower of Power [949]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 1, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Deftones [252]: 4th & B. Friday, October 1, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Ellis Paul [819] and Joel Rafael: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, October 1, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

The Zombies: 4th & B, Saturday, October 2, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Deicide and Goatwhore: 4th & B, Monday, October 4, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Tragically Hip [148]: 4th & B, Tuesday, October 5, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Chris Botti *[689]*: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, October 7, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

Air Supply [623]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, October 8, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Lloyd Banks: 4th & B, Friday, October 8, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Dave Alvin & the Guilty Men [818]: The Casbah, Saturday, October 9, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

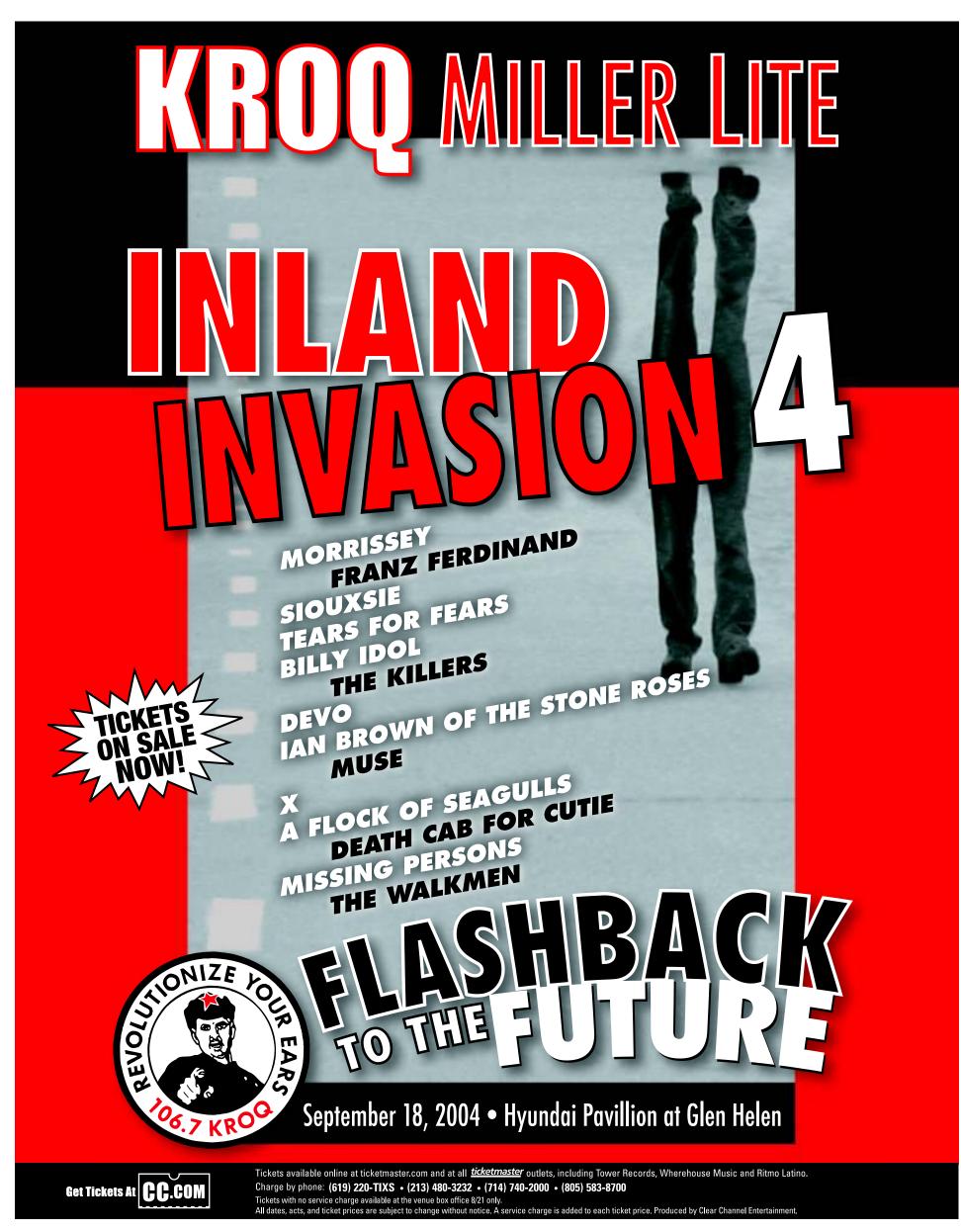
Norah Jones: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, October 10, 7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Mark Lanegan: The Casbah, Sunday, October 10, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midto 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Pat Benatar [459] and Neil **Giraldo:** 4th & B, Monday, October 11, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

De La Soul [605]: Belly Up Tavern, Monday, October 11, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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The Melvins [190]: The Casbah Monday, October 11, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Soulive *[646]*: Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, October 12, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

The Old 97s: 4th & B, Tuesday, October 12, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Bright Eyes [123], Jim James, and M. Ward: Spreckels Theatre, Wednesday, October 13, 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

Johnny Winter: Belly Up Tavern Wednesday, October 13, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Badly Drawn Boy [603]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Wednesday, October 13, 8:30 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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Jimmy Buffett [477]: Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, October

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Alice Cooper [529]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, October 27, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine, 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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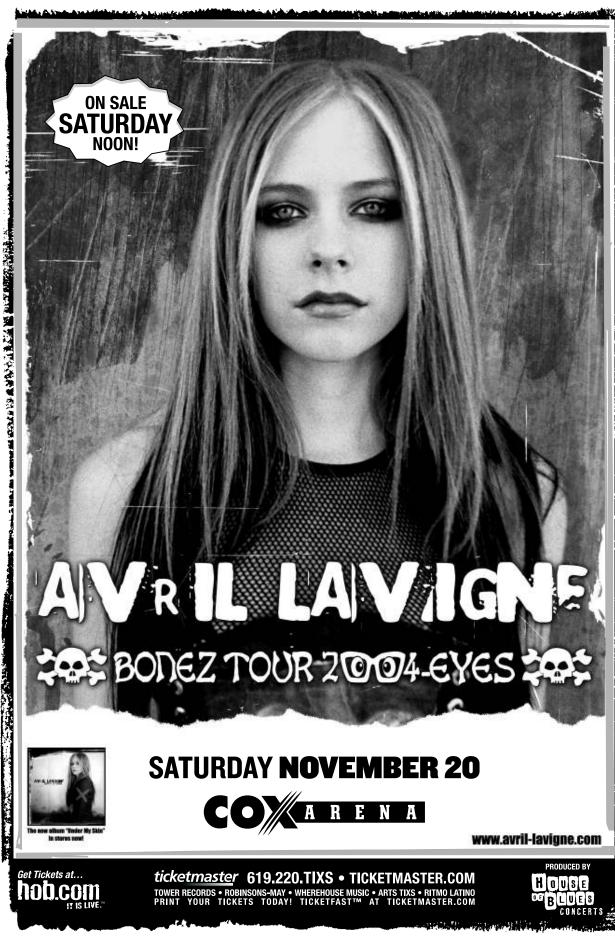
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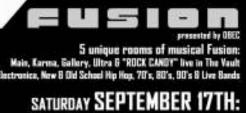


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BY DAVE GOOD

It would be unjust to write Flogging Molly off as just another Irish punk group, although that's how most fans peg them. Punk attitude and styling maybe, but FM's music defies classification. It is Irish folk traditional on nitromethane, a high-energy dose of rock played with the traditional and strange acoustic instruments from Ireland with lots of beery introspection. Founder Dave King outlines the duality of his band on a fan's website: "Take away the guitars and drums and this would be a nice little Irish folk band. Take away the fiddle, mandolin, and accordion. and Flogging Molly would be one hardcore punk band.'

Flogging Molly was awarded Best Punk Band at the Third Annual New Times Los Angeles Music Awards and surprised every-

Mannequin Piss: The Casbah Me Without You: Epicentre Namure: Epicentre The New Life: Soma Nothing Offensive: Brick By Brick Off by One [522]: Soma

body with their fierce energy on a few of the Warped Tours - thrash rock punk skater concerts in which Molly's accordion player, Matt Hensley, has also been known to skate. He's an ex-pro skater turned musician. Skaters are the last true punks for sure, but I still can't call Flogging Molly a true punk band. Punks have causes: FM has Dave King, who claims that the band is his life story put to song.

At 18, King recorded with the metal band Fastway, featuring Fast Eddie

Clarke of Motörhead. King moved to America in 1989 and put together Katmandu with Mandy Meyer of Krokus, After Katmandu burned in, he started the Dave King Band, which evolved into Flogging Molly. Molly, by the way, is in reference to Molly Malone's in Los Angeles. That's where the members first met and eventually put the band together. This fact almost mirrors the career trajectory of another L.A.-area Celtic rock band, the Young Dubliners. They too met in a pub and



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Trace Ellington: Brick By Brick Emaue [467]: Belly Up Tavern The Essentials: Martini Ranch (Encinitas)

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Heavy Rotation: Blind Melons Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last Resort

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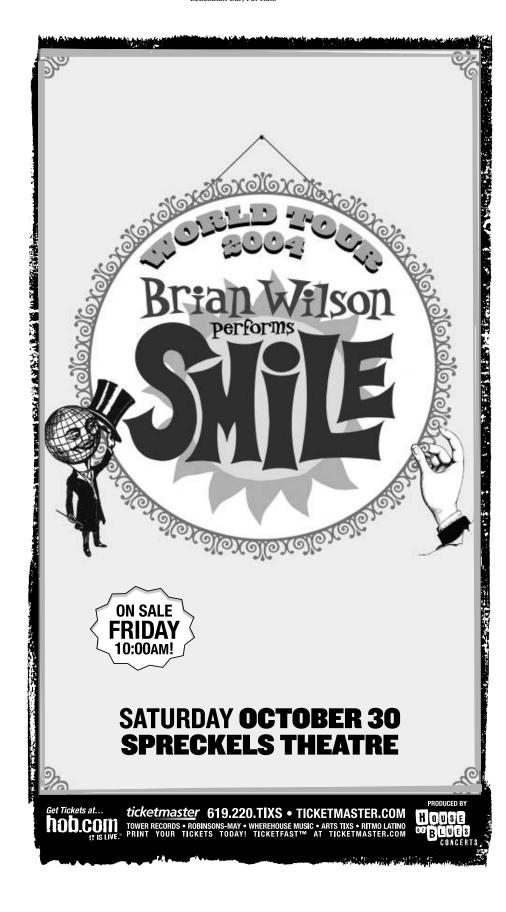
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Air Conditioned: Thursdays, Lounge with DJ Gage. Fridays, old skool, funk, and disco with DJ Jr. MixMaster. Saturdays, electronic funk with DJ Sean Perry. Tuesdays, Vaya!, DJs SK and Sesqui spin hard salsa, mambo, and boogaloo. Wednesdays, Rockboxx, '80s and '70s rock with DJs Atari, §ergio, and Jr. MixMaster. 4673 30th Street, University Heights. 619-501-9831.

Bad: Second and fourth Wednesday of the month, '80s, rock, and electro. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; no cover. Rebar, 3404 30th Avenue, North Park. 619-291-3730.

Blitzkrieg Bop: First, third, and fifth Monday of the month, punk, indie, and rock 'n' roll with DJ Mr. Hyde. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

Bossaexotica: September 18, last event, electronic bossa, alternative dance, and house; DJ Daniel inside, DJ Void outside. Six Degrees, 3175 India Street, uptown. 619-296-6789.

The Boulevard: Thursdays, Club Boulevard, hip-hop and house with DJs Marc Thrasher and Van. Saturdays, Metropolis, hip-hop, reggae, and house, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. 925 W. San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-510-0004.

Brown Sugar: Fridays, urban sounds with DJ Myxzlplix; 21 and up. The Brass Rail, 3796 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-2233.

Church of Noise: Second and fourth Monday of the month, new noise mixed with alternative rock classics. Hosted by DJ Mr. Hyde. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

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Club '80s: Thursdays, the best of the '80s with DJs Bryan Pollard and Brian Anderson. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

Club '70s: Sundays, the best of the '70s, glam rock, glitter disco, and punk, with DJs B.P., Morgan Young, and Sickboy. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

Darkwave Garden: Wednesdays, ethereal-electro-fetish. No cover. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

Deep: Thursdays, drum 'n' bass and jungle music with DJs Wallkrawler, Probable Cause, and IzM. 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Rhythm Lounge, 3048 Midway Drive, Midway. 619-224-4835.

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.

Electrum: Third Saturday of the month, rhythm and noise, power electro, and apocalyptic folk with DJs Bryan Pollard, Chuiy Bitios, Thermal Detonator, and Grendel Prime. No cover; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

Faction-6: Tuesdays, elektroclash, • used of the second se

Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club: Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop, booty bass, and reggae. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-9393.

Hands on Wax: Second and fourth Thursday of the month, house, hip-hop, and downtempo with DJs SK, Matsu, and Dylan Jones; live percussion by Ken. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Surf 'N' Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474.

Klub Therapy: Fridays, industrial, gothic, and darkwave with DJs Bryan Pollard and guest. 10 p.m. to 4 a.m.; 21 and up. Club Rio, 1299 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley. 619-299-3544.



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Musique: Every other Saturday, deep to disco with DJs Mateo and Billy O. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Seven-17, 717 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-232-4440.

One Nation: Second Saturday of the month, bootleg remixes, '80s classics, and hip-hop with DJs Bart Blackstone and Atari. The Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street, South Park. 619-284-6784.

The Pompeii Room: Thursdays, DJ Stiffy spins dirty South, hip-hop, and reggae. Fridays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, R&B, and alternative. Saturdays, DJ Kool T and Stiffy spin hip-hop, R&B, and retro. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos. 760-737-5040.

Red C Lounge: Thursdays, hiphop. Fridays and Saturdays, house. Sundays, downtempo and house. Tuesdays, house. Wednesdays, Relax, '70s and '80s funk. No cover; 21 and up. 756 Fifth Avenue, downtown, 619-233-2838.

Remix: Sundays, proper hip-hop with DJs Mike Czech, Myxzlplix, and @Large. No cover; 21 and up. Bar Dynamite, 1808 Washington Street, Mission Hills. 619-295-8743.

Sabbat: Saturdays, DJs Adam Atom, Dekay, Liquid Grey, and guests. Dark electro, gothic, and darkwave. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

Super Hit: Sundays, two rooms of reggae and dancehall with Rashy, Dash Eye, and KOFI. Aubergine, 500 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-232-8100.

Transport: First and third Saturdays of the month, Brit rock, indie, and electroclash with DJ Gabe Vega and guests. The Whistle Stop, 2236 Fern Street (corner of 30th and Juniper), Golden Hill. 619-284-6784.

CLUBS BY AREA

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NORTH COUNTY

Acapulco Restaurant, 1020-5 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-471-2150. Thursday, 9 p.m., *Inside-Out*, rock. **The Alley**, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday,

Friday, and Saturday, the Love Rangers, Top 40/pop. Belly Up Tavern, 143 South

enue, Solana Beach.



858-481-9022. Thursday, 9 p.m., Emaue, Legion, and Hijos de la Malinche, rock. Friday, 9:15 p.m., Dennis Quaid & the Sharks, rock. Saturday, 9:15 p.m., Common Sense, reggae. Tuesday, 9 p.m., Tubby, Mike

Flynn & the Whips, and the North Star

Bistro 221, 221 Grand Avenue,

Escondido, 760-737-7398, Friday and

Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., Donnie

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Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue

Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and

Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Third Coast Jazz.*

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Songs: 1) Can't Remember Your Name 2) Old Cold Feeling 3) Hey Pretty Woman 4) Better Love Somebody 5) Falling in Love 6) Can't You See 7) No More Lonely Nights

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Band Members: Len Rainey (bass, vocals), Bill MacPherson (quitar), Victor Marquez (quitar), Tony Thomlinson (quitar), Larry Logan (keyboard), Kevin Foynoy (keyboard), Roger Friend (drums), Danny "Fatback" Martinez (drums)

Extra Info: Rainey plays the Indian Summer Blues Fest at 4th&B September 18 and the Adams Avenue Street Fair September 25.

The album opens with the cheeky "Can't Remember Your Name": "Tell me, woman / How did you ever pick me / I was sittin' here drinkin' and drownin' out some old memories / It

was you and I, woman / We was all wrapped up and I know we were feelin' no pain / But for the life of me, woman / I can't remember vour name." Anchored by his precise, nimble bass lines, Len Rainey

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plays with imagination but keeps the songs firmly fastened to the beat. Rainey also contributes soul-soaked vocals to most of the songs, which are humble and restrained, faithful to the music.

This is a straight blues album with few detours into other styles. The guitar work is clean, sharp, and focused throughout. Nothing superfluous here. From the bluesy "Old Cold Feeling" and the slower "Better Love Somebody," the guitar radiates warmth through the twinkling raindrops of keyboard notes sprinkled here and there.

The songs may be classified best as blues, but they have a flavor that makes them different from most soul music. "Can't You See" has more of an R&B bent to its sound, placing it among the few tracks in which the guitar work is unfortunately muted by the added focus on

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Thursday,

Gish, rock. Sunday, 4 p.m., the

Upstairs Jazz Club.

10 p.m., Stevi Lynn & Deja Voodoo, The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors, blues **Grappa Restaurant,** 328 South Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos. Friday, J.J. Slyde, rock. Saturday, Blue Heat, blues/rock, Sunday, the Blues 760-744-0024. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Sambajazz*, Brazilian samba and bossa.

Burton Blues Band. Leucadian Bar, 1542 North Coast Highway 101, Leucadia. 760-753-2094. Saturday, 9:30 p.m., *Stevi Lynn* & Deja Voodoo, blues

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Friday, Synergy, rock. Saturday, the Christian Hastings Band, rock **Carvers,** 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-

2400. Friday and Saturday, Laguna, classic rock. Cheers, 2475 Main Street, Ramona.

760-789-0270. Friday and Saturday, Point Blank, classic rock. Sunday, Mike Gardner, acoustic rock. Monday, open mike.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad.



blues. Friday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Ruby & the Red Hots, dance blues. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Free Martin, folk rock, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *the Jerry McCann Band*, reggae. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *Red Lane*, rock/blues, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Peter Sprague*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Red*

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Mas Fina Cantina, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad, 760-434-3497. Wednesday, 8 p.m., Mike Gardner,

acoustic rock. McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-

6646. Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., the California Rangers, country The Metaphor Coffeehouse, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, Dixieland jazz. Friday, the Leigh Taylor Band, Christian rock. Saturday,

Avocado Moon, rock. 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.

Mocha Coffee, 1020 San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-744-2112. Sunday, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., *the* Makihele Revue, island music.

Molly Malone's, 1270 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-9050. Friday and Saturday, *the Rolling Radio Show*, country.

North Bar Sports & Spirits, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 p.m., *Mike* Gardner, acoustic rock.

Scalini, 3790 Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-259-9944. Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Sambajazz*, Brazilian samba and bossa.

Squid Joe's, 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-4996. Friday, *Chapter 11*, alternative, and *the Mystic Roots*, reggae.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, the Zen Dogs, rock. Saturday, the Big Sound, rock. Wednesday, open

Tomiko Bar & Grill, 87 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-633-3587. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Ben Powell*, blues, jazz.

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Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Dialex*. Friday, *20-Year Fix*, alternative. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, 9 p.m., the Lights of Zion, reggae. Monday, open mike. Tuesday, D.O.S., Genial, and the Dub Saints. Wednesday, the Perils of Hennessey's Tavern

MUSIC \succ rock. blues. alternative. acoustic

SPECIAL NIGHTS > Monday, poker tournament; Tuesday and Thursday, karaoke: Wednesday, open mike (PA and guitars provided, no drum set); Friday, live bands; Saturday, reggae bands **CLIENTELE** ➤ all ages since it's a restaurant; average age early 20s; 70 percent Caucasian, 15 percent Latino, 10 percent Asian, 5 percent

African-American: 60 percent female, mostly singles COVER ➤ none **HOURS** ➤ 8:00 a.m.-2:00 a.m. everv dav

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Beings, Heavy Rotation, and *FM Revolver,* alternative rock.

'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Brand Nubian, the Crown City Roller, Alfred Howard & the K23 Orchestra, and Sharkey. Friday, the Iron Maidens. Saturday, Hive, Gridlock, Origin, and Kinetek. Sunday, 7:30 p.m., Hugh Gaskins, blues. Wednesday, the Circle Jerks and G.B.H.

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to the beach **DRESS** ➤ casual; a few shorts, a few sweaters, but mostly jeans and T-shirts

DANCE FLOOR \succ none but there's a small space in front of band where the tables have been moved (although it's really loud) FIRE EXITS ➤ three - two entrances on one side of dining room and one on other side **BATHROOMS** ➤ pay phone near doors, animal antlers above doors: men's had two giant urinals and one stall; women's bathroom door didn't lock; two stalls; both had sinks, giant mirrors, liquid soap, paper towels,

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Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters, blues. Friday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., the Charles Burton Blues Band.

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SPECIAL AREAS ➤ smoking on patio where there are eight tables; patio closes at 11:00 p.m., and the bartender didn't know why the law allows downtown patios to stay open until midnight, but it's 11:00 nm in PR

FURNISHINGS ➤ 15 seats at the bar, 25 tables in dining room, eight TVs (one showing Olympics, one had baseball and one had Ace Ventura)

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ a low 86 when house music played, 109 when Static for Zen played on open-mike night; 125 last week at La Vuelta Restaurant

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LAST MONTH ➤ the Tone Sharks **QUOTABLE** ➤ "That deaf guy at the end of the bar is starting to talk louder and louder. I think he's getting drunk." His friend replied, "Do you think when deaf guys are drunk their sign language gets worse? Kind of like how we slur our words when we drink a lot."

to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street,

Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Music is heavy/alternative/rock. Friday,

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541.

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I had friends in town who wanted to go drinking, so I took them down Garnet Avenue in Pacific Beach, where there are lots of bars but not a lot of parking. At Hennessey's, Rufus Brown, who was supposed to sing and play guitar with his band, ended up being a no-show. The bartender said, "That's weird. He didn't call or anything. And it's not like it wasn't a paying gig."

I was sitting next to a woman who claimed she didn't like drinking but kept ordering Jagermeister. Her friend asked her what it tasted like. She said, "Some people say black licorice, but I hate black licorice. I wouldn't drink it if it tasted like that. It tastes good, like cough syrup."

Her male friend said, "I'm hoping the more she drinks, the better looking I'll get."

Marshall, the funny bartender, said. "I'll leave the whole bottle." After a pause, Marshall said, "I'm not dissing you. I'm just trying to help you out."

– Josh Board

also Friday, and Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Jack Pollack*, contemporary. Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sean McVicker

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 evard. Pacific Beach Mission Bo 858-483-8847. Saturday, NZ Rough, reggae.

La Scala, 1101 Scott Street, Point Loma. 619-224-2272. Friday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Kisti Murray* and *Ted* Williams





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La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Barry Levich*, jazz. Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Rick Ross*, jazz.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Wednesday, *the Mitch Budd Band*, rock

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, 8:30 p.m. to midnight, *Rick Ross*, jazz, piano, saxophone, and vocals. Friday through Wednesday, *Larry Fogel*, singer pianist.

Pasquale on Prospect, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-509-8900. Friday, *the Sacha Boutros Quartet*, jazz.

San Diego Mission Bay Boat & Ski Club, 2606 North Mission Bay Drive, Pacific Beach. 858-270-0840. Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Cathryn* Beeks, Steph Johnson, the Inside, and Amy Garcia, acoustic/folk.

Shooters Bar and Grill, Radisson Hotel, 3299 Holiday Court, La Jolla. 858-453-5500. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *Mississippi Mudd*, blues. Friday, *the Fairfield Fats Band*, blues. Saturday, *the Bartones*, rock. Sunday, *the Jimmy Lewis Acoustic Show*.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Signal Path*, rock. Friday, *the David Nelson Band*, rock. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, *Roxx*. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*, classic rock. Tuesday, *the Shocks of Mighty*, reggae. Wednesday, *Los Able Minded Poets* and *Zendu*, alternative.

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Albie's Beef Inn, 1201 Hotel Circle South, San Diego. 619-291-1103. Friday and Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m., *David Timothy Smith*.

The Bahia Belle Cruise, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 p.m. Friday, *B Natural*, pop. Saturday, *the Nude Blues*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Tony Cummins*, Irish folk. Sunday, open mike. Monday, *Sean O'Donnell* and









Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, *60ne9*, classic rock. Wednesday, 8 p.m., Lafayette & the Leasebreakers,

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Saturday, Gimic, rock.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is heavy rock/alternative. Friday, *T.S.O.L., D.I., the Strangers Six,* and *Bullets N Octane.* Saturday, *Before* Today. Sunday, Over It, Offset, Toyko Rose, the New Life, and Curson

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zydeco. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *the High Society Jazz Band*.

Triple Crown Pub, 3221 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-281-0263. Saturday, live rock/alternative.

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., Tim Mudd, Dave's Son, Tiana, and

Matt & Jessica Reece. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *the Coyote Problem* and *Athena Reich*. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., Lindsey Yung, Alex Esther, James Grey, Andrew Foshee, and Tristan Prettyman. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., the Celtic Ensemble. Wednesday, open mike

DOWNTOWN

Blarnev Stone Pub. 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Friday through Sunday, and Wednesday, Steve Brewer, acoustic

Borders Books & Music (Gaslamp), 668 Sixth Avenue, San Diego. 619-702-4200. Friday, 9 p.m., Gypsymenco, flamenco.

Caesar's Cafe, 801 C Street, downtown. 619-234-8141. Thursday, two shows, 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., Dora

Hall, Bradley Leighton, and guests, jazz. The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown, 619-232-HELL, Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, Broth Danielson, Half-Handed Cloud, the Castanet, and Liz James. Friday, the Dragons, the Millionaires, and Mannequin Piss. Monday, Waterline Drift and the Rum Diary. Wednesday, the Phantom Surfers and the Glossines. 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 and 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, call club for information. Saturday, Primo, Latin jazz.

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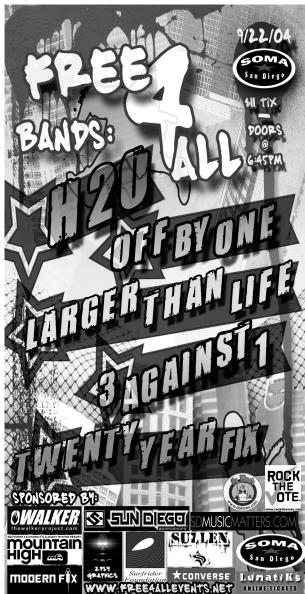


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Musical Toques

The music plays faster and faster. The dancers wear tall white hats as they whirl from stove to stove. Local chefs are switching restaurants at a dizzying pace. The changes may be a positive sign of San Diego's rapid growth as an eater's city. New "fine dining" restaurants are opening at a fierce pace. Older ones change their chefs or their formats to stay competitive. Ambitious chefs who might once have chosen San Francisco (but can't hack the rents) head here instead.

What does this have to do with your dinner? A new chef can affect the quality of the cooking, for better or for worse. In many restaurants, the incoming head of the kitchen will also shape a new menu, banishing your favorite dishes. Sometimes, the chef whose style you thought you knew will start cooking in a completely new vein. For instance (if you missed the review two weeks ago), when Fabrice Poigin moved from Bertrand at Mr. A's to supervise the cuisine at the Chive/Kensington Grill miniempire, he left French cooking behind and leaped into modern global cuisine.

Three years ago, I had time to revisit major restaurants after chef shifts. Today, I barely have time to keep track of the new openings. I decided to catch an edge of the whirlwind with casual visits to two restaurants in states of change, California Cuisine and Dakota Grill.

CALIFORNIA CUISINE

1027 University (between Tenth Avenue and Vermont), Hillcrest; 619-543-0790. www.california cuisine.cc. Open 5:00-10:00 p.m. daily. Starters, soups, and salads, \$7-\$8.50; entrées, \$18-\$29. Reservations advisable for weekends, accepted for specific areas (dining room, garden).

California Cuisine is over two decades old. For years, Chef Chris Walsh headed the kitchen and served at least 30 daily changing small-plate "specials." He departed early in 2003 to open his own Cafe W (closed by fire last year). When Chef Justin Hoehn replaced him, he ditched Walsh's small-plate legacy and replaced it with a daily menu of conventional length and structure, with appetizers, entrées, and desserts. Most dishes rotated through the roster for as long as their ingredients were in season. Recently Hoehn left for kitchens unknown, and Todd Atcheson replaced him.

Todd Atcheson worked his way through college at local restaurants in Columbus, Ohio. After



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he got his college degree in finance, he gave that field two years before he realized that he was made to cook, not calculate. He entered an apprenticeship with two master chefs in his hometown at a restaurant called Lindy's. He moved to San Diego because

his girlfriend was working on her master's in architecture here, so he could either stay behind or follow her. Responding to an anonymous ad, he did a tasting at California Cuisine and won the head chef position.

Atcheson hasn't changed the structure of the menu: it's still printed daily, the dishes chosen according to the harvest and catch of the moment. Some dishes revolve through the menu all year.

A classical Caesar salad is a permanent offering, with hearts (not outer leaves) of romaine, toasted bread croutons, shavings of nutty Parmesan-Reggiano cheese, and a dressing with anchovy undertones. Grilled Asian barbecued jumbo shrimp is another nominee for a menu regular. Two giant prawns are drenched in a lime-brown sugar marinade and grilled unpeeled until the shells blacken. Leaving the shells on, except for a slit down the back to remove the vein and aid in peeling, keeps flavors pent inside until first bite. They're served atop rice noodles and Asian greens in a citric-ginger dressing.

My favorite starter should recur until the last

fresh corn is plucked a few weeks hence. The sweet corn and mussel bisque is built on puréed, strained corn kernels and cream - a lush texture. The sweetness is offset by shrimp stock and a touch of Thai red curry, and the blue mussels are clean and tender. Mashed avocado adds richness to richness.

> One night, we followed our waiter's suggestion for the "most brilliant" entrée, a grilled, bourbon-brined Niman Ranch pork chop. Niman Ranch sells pork from pigs organically

raised on family farms. (Such pork is safe and delicious cooked to a medium-rare 135° F.) The meat was topped with diced pineapple and mango, wild huckleberries, chopped onions, and chiles, surrounded by a bourbon and berry pan sauce. Mashed yam and batons of steamed vegetables filled out the plate. Another meat entrée I didn't try but found tempting was a rack of lamb with a chipotle honey glaze.

Most of the dishes are flavorful, but given a young chef playing with a mutable menu, there's no guarantee of consistency. One evening, caught up in ripe tomato-mania, the dishes were cooked well enough, but too many repeated the tomato theme. An unsuccessful experiment tried turning a free-range chicken breast into a veal scallop by glazing it with Marsala-mushroom sauce. It might be more palatable in midwinter.

Pastry chef Lauren Huffnagle (formerly of La Valencia) remains in place, and her desserts delight. One current standout is a double-cream Brie cheesecake that seems lighter than air. It boasts a brûléed top slicked with apricot-lavender jam and garnished with fresh fruits.

All my previous visits to California Cuisine took place in the cooler months. This time, I discovered the heated patio behind the restaurant. A fountain sits in its center surrounded by ficus trees.

DAKOTA GRILL AND SPIRITS

901 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp District; 619-234-5554; www.cohnrestaurants.com. Lunch weekdays only, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; dinner weeknights, 5:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday until 11:00 p.m., Sunday until 9:00 p.m. Starters and soups, \$4-\$11; pastas, pizzas, entrée salads, \$10-\$15; entrées, \$18-\$30.

When Dakota opened 12 years ago, it fixed on a Southwestern theme, which melted over time to a gesture in that direction. The menu settled on San Diego standards, dishes you'll find with slight variations at many steak-and-chop houses in the Gaslamp.

Dakota's corps of "regular" customers don't want change. The formula they like is elementary: a hunk of meat, a wood-fired grill, and a precooked sauce that meets the meat when the latter hits the plate. Some of these combinations kiss and wed, others barely shake hands.

Dakota's longtime chef Hannes Cavin recently moved to A New Leaf, in the Gaslamp Hilton, to replace Matthew Herter (who left to open Nectar).

Enter Chef Aaron O'Mara. While earning his psychology degree at University of West Virginia, O'Mara cooked his way through school at local restaurants. Like Atcheson at Cal Cuisine, he realized that he'd rather keep cooking than go into the shrink trade. After working in Chicago for the Let Us Entertain You chain, where he learned his craft, he moved on to San Francisco to work at a branch of the Southwestern chain restaurant Left at Albuquerque. There, he met and married his wife Erin, who serves as general manager of Dakota, causing no end of name confusion ("You want Erin or Aaron?"). The couple moved to New Orleans, where Aaron served as executive chef at the well-known Sugar Magnolia, a stroll away from the famed Commander's Palace. Eventually they relocated to be closer



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to Erin's family in Southern California.

The new chef has made subtle changes in Dakota's menu, derived by consensus with owners David and Lesley Cohn and the veteran serving staff. Many dishes are sacred cows and may not be altered, but O'Mara is steering the menu farther away from Southwestern cuisine and toward all-American comfort food.

His starter of baconwrapped scallops is one example, served over butter-sautéed "wild" (cremini) mushrooms and a balsamic glaze. It's an update of suburban rumaki using goodquality bacon and firm scallops. Another new dish (which I didn't try) is a pecan-crusted slow-roasted chicken breast, served with a porcini cream sauce, an old-fashioned Southern dish made new by the mushroom species. O'Mara's favorite dish is his potato-crusted halibut. I've eaten this combination too many times around town for it to capture my attention.

To my palate, some of Dakota's sacred cows should be put out to pasture. For example, many hip restaurants make crab cakes with mostly crab, minimal filler. Here, the cakes are more like meatballs, with so much filler they taste and feel like prechewed white bread. The mixture is rolled into globes and dropped into a deep fryer. It takes a steak knife to cut through their crusts.

Another "*noli me tangere*" is the signature entrée of roast pork prime rib. It starts with a lean pork rib cut roasted whole. (Medium-rare is not an option.) Two chops are sliced from it and

reheated on the grill to get hash marks. Mustard-spiked apricot sauce is smeared on, like jam on toast, at the end of cooking. The combination is tasty but twodimensional, a giant's morsel of meat topped with a little jelly. While I was eating it, I wished the pork were brined or marinated to give it more depth. Similarly, 'mesquite knife and fork ribs" offers pork baby-back ribs simmered on the stove-top until tender, slathered with barbecue paste (puréed tomatoes, onions, chile powders, et al.), and finished on the mesquite grill. You can't taste the woodsmoke because only the sauce is touched by it. When I go to a mesquite-fired grill restaurant, I want to taste smoke flavor in my meat, otherwise it's just a tailgate party.

Potatoes are the starch on most plates, and they are terrific, drawing from the flavorful raw material and expert preparation: puffy "steak fries," the Cheddaramended "twice baked," and smashed-up baked potatoes, skin and all, smoothed with sour cream and garlic. The veggies seem to be the luck of the draw. The evening I ate there, all plates held "late harvest" green beans, picked after the skins had toughened.

The house breads (a sourdough and whole wheat) are baked at sister-restaurant the Prado, and all desserts are made in-house by young CIA-grad Jessie Germaine. Desserts run to fruity American favorites like cobblers, crisps, and upside-down cake. Treats from the wide-ranging beverage list include three-glass wine flights in four styles of wine, including one called 'Oue Svrah, Svrah" that's well suited to this cuisine. A selection of tap brews includes the house Dakota Pale Ale, a light ale with a touch of sweetness that complemented every dish we tasted. The atmosphere of the two-floor

restaurant is cozy, with plush booths, windowed walls, and a piano player who slides from '50s pop to Fats Waller stylings and Ellingtonian riffs.

DUDE, WHERE'S MY CHEF?

If you're wondering where your favorite chef went, here is just a sampling of the recent shifts: **Paul McCabe** of **Star of the Sea** has returned to resort restaurant cooking with a move to J. **Taylor's at L'Auberge del Mar**. The future may hold some flashier cuisine in this serene spot. No replacement named yet at Star of the Sea.

Matthew Herter, opening chef of Nectar after his earlier stint at A New Leaf, moved a few blocks further downtown to Rice (at the W Hotel). The W chain has dumped the corporate-chef contractors that previously furnished the restaurant's recipes, and Herter's new fusion menu

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shows his playful personal stamp. His replacement at Nectar is **Christopher Mac Leman**, a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America in New York City and young veteran of several noted New York- area restaurants.

Trattoria Nostrana in La Mesa has been under new ownership since July. *Reader* readers in that region have reported their regrets, saying the quality has declined. Former chef-owner Jose Flores left hoping to open a similar Italian restaurant in La Jolla.

Former Chive chef A.J. Voytko went to the Inn at Rancho Santa Fe. At Bertrand at Mr. A's, Chef Fabrice Poigin's protégé and later successor at Sally's, Stephen Voitzwinkler, moved from the latter to helm the kitchen for Bertrand — and I've heard the young chef who replaced him at Sally's (whose name I don't know) is just as terrific. Sic transit gloria, from one kitchen to the next.



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"It's a Lebanese summer drink. It's made from grape molasses and rose water."

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Solution Bonjour." "Barev." "In Armenian?" "In Arabic?"

"Salam…"

Is there no end to this little lady? Minerva speaks four languages, knows all about chef Tony's recipes, and runs the cash register when she's not at school. She's 13. She and her brother Michael (he's 14), and Suzy, their mom, and chef Tony can talk together in English,

French, Arabic, and Armenian. On the other hand, what else would you expect from a Lebanese family? Lebanon is the crossroads of Europe and the Middle Fast.

For the past eight years, chef Tony, this cherrycheeked gent in the cook's outfit, has been here serving up Mediterranean food. Guess that means basically Greek? Maybe not. He grabs his way-long carving knife, hones it, and starts slicing from his, like, gyros, the vertically stacked meat rotating in front of gas flames.

"No. Not gyros," he says. "This is the *shawarma* — our Lebanese rotisserie. The difference? We don't grind the meat, mix bread in, press it. This is just pure sliced chicken meat here, no fat, fresh-cooked. Same with this beef *shawarma*."

Huh. Well, if the dizzying waft of garlic, olive oil, and lemon floating past my nose is a clue, this

shawarma has potential.

You can tell from the building that this place used to be a Kentucky Fried Chicken. But it's painted cream now, outside and in. Cream walls, cream plastic tablecloths, varnished cane chairs, and big

foot-square pink floor tiles. Hank and I stand gawking at the wall menu. It's late, about eight. "I know what I want," says Hank. "A whole roast chicken and a large Greek salad."

"Sorry, sir," says Tony. "We only have half chickens left. We're closing in half an hour..."

"Okay. Half chicken," Hank says. Whew. I'm paying. The "whole roast chicken" was \$6.95, the large Greek salad, \$4.95. A 12-buck chomp out of my Jackson. The half's \$3.95.

"It'll be plenty," says Craig, in line behind. "It always is." He's ordering a large hummus (crushed garbanzo beans with tahini sauce, \$5.75) and a large tabbouleh salad (a mix of parsley, tomatoes, onions, and bulghur, \$5.95).

Me, I'm still mulling. "Have anything," says Steve, the guy behind Craig. "I've never had a bad meal here. It's not fast food. But I like that they take their time preparing it. And it's good to support a local family." He's getting beef ribs (\$6.95), a chicken *shawarma* plate ("marinated strips of chicken, hummus, tomatoes and onions, with pita bread and"—hey!— "pickled turnips," \$8.95). Plus he's getting a falafel entrée (six deep-fried crumbed balls of crushed garbanzo beans, plus hummus, vegetables, and tahini sauce, \$6.95).

Chef Tony says he trained in Beirut and Paris. "The thing about Lebanese food is it's healthy," he says. "Lots of low-carb dishes. People on Atkins are regulars here. Some come every day."

I notice everything's pretty much available either as a combo plate or as a sandwich rolled in pita bread, except for the beef ribs (\$8.95, with baked beans and mashed potatoes). Two skewers of lamb kebab top the price list at \$10.95. The *shawarma* combo plate, with strips of beef and chicken, is \$9.95. Tempting.

But natch, I go for the false economy: the sandwich version of the chicken *shawarma* (\$4.50), with a small hummus (\$3.75). Get two iced teas (\$1.29 each), then see they have this drink called *jallab*.

"It's a Lebanese summer drink," says chef Tony (everybody calls him that). "It's made from grape molasses and rose water."

'Course, I've got to have that. Shell out another \$1.95.

We sit down next to Abdullahi and Mohammed. Mohammed is a cab driver. His red, white, and blue Hira cab's parked right outside. "This is a lot like our food in Somalia," Abdullahi says. "Bit of French influence, bit of Italian. It's good." They've got plates of chicken *shawarma* and lamb kebab. "This is nice for me," Mohammed says. "I never eat out. I always eat at home with my family."

Suzy brings our plates, with plenty of hot pita bread. We parlay trades. Hank gives me a leg of his half chicken and part of his salad. I cut him a bit of my *shawarma* sandwich. Big sacrifice. It is something else, with that scrumptious marination. But it's the tang of the floppy red stick of pickled turnip that sends this dish into the "never forget" category. How could you top that?

Guess what? Chef Tony does. I notice he gives out samples every now and then. "Here, try this," he says. It's a piece of the chicken *shawarma* on crispy-toasted pita bread. Oh, Lord. My sandwich was great, but somehow that crispy pita sets off the chicken, the *toum* — a garlic–olive oil–lemon combo — the tomatoes, the turnip, and the daub of red homemade hot sauce on top. "It's not on the menu," says chef Tony, "but just ask for it and I'll do you one next time. Same price as the sandwich."

So, turns out Hank has just enough dough to help me *and* split a (homemade) baklava. Oh man, it goes so well with the *jallab* drink. The rose and the honey, what a combo.

Minerva is playing solitaire as we leave. "Just one more question," I say. "How do you say 'good-bye' in French, Armenian, and Arabic?"

The Place: Chef Tony, Mediterranean and Lebanese Cuisine, 6311 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area (619-582-0212) **Type of Food:** Lebanese

Prices: Hummus sandwich, \$3.75; large tabbouleh salad, \$5.95; whole roast chicken, \$6.95; large Greek salad, \$4.95; beef ribs, \$6.95; with beans, potatoes, \$8.95; chicken shawarma plate, with hummus, pita bread, \$8.95; falafel entrée with hummus, vegetables, tahini sauce, \$6.95; two-skewer lamb kebab dish, \$10.95; shawarma combo plate, with beef, chicken, \$9.95; Monday to Friday lunch specials include one-skewer chicken kebab or kafta (ground beef) with rice and salad, quarter chicken with rice, salad, or hummus, vegetarian (falafel) dish, \$6.50 each **Hours:** 11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Monday to Saturday; 11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sunday **Buses:** 1, 15, 115

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"Temecula is exploding. As soon as they built the new casinos, people started coming out."

Four months ago, Imre Cziraki closed escrow on the Cilurzo winery, one of Temecula's oldest and site of its first commercial vineyard. Now, he is harvesting fruit from

the nearby 54-acre organic vineyard he planted six years ago, fruit that will swell the winery's roughly 8000-case production to 20,000-plus. "Right now," he says, "Temecula is exploding. As soon as they built the new casinos, people started coming out. They come over here and do wine tasting, and after that, they go to the casinos."

Cziraki likes to buy land as an investment he first planted the 54 acres looking for some kind of return on his property — but he is not a well-heeled newcomer to agriculture in general or wine in particular. He owns wholesale nurseries in both Fallbrook and Temecula, and has long been selling Cabernet from a vineyard in La Cresta to wineries up north. For now, he is serving as his own winemaker. "I was six years old when I used to make wine with my grandfather back in Europe. I watched it very carefully, and I was very much interested back then, though I never thought that in my old age I would own a winery."

His first idea was to build a production facility amid his own vines on Bella Vista Road, but the purgatory of permit approval proved daunt-



ing. When he heard that the Cilurzo place had dropped out of escrow, he approached the old proprietor and made a deal for the property winery, pond, adobe house, and all. The new name, Bella Vista Cilurzo, tips the hat to the past while heralding the new vineyard

source, four miles away.

Cziraki has grand plans for his new business, but he is trying to tread carefully. Vincenzo Cilurzo was a pioneer in the region and that, together with the acclaim afforded to his Petite Sirah, has made him and his

winery somewhat iconic. "One lady came into the tasting room and said, 'I hope you're not going to replace the floor,' " cracked though the linoleum was in places. " 'We like that duct tape on there.' " He hasn't replaced that floor yet — and he has tried to keep his remodeling of a piece with what was already here. "I wanted to keep it homey," he explains. The storage area he converted to a grand-scale tasting room is floored with rough-sawn planks. The long, oval bar at the room's center rests on barrels, much like the counter in the current tasting room. Only the marble-topped, carved-wood bar against the wall — purchased at a Los Angeles antique shop and installed for winery club members — gives a hint of Cziraki's aspirations.

More evidence will soon be visible. In a few

days, a big-screen TV will grace one wall, so that Cziraki can play host to Monday Night Football gatherings. "I talked to people around here, and they said, 'There is no Monday Night Football in the wine country. People have to go into Old Town Temecula, and they don't want to go into Old Town." He's also applied for a beer license to serve his football fans, as well as the less winey of his regular visitors. "About 65, 70 percent of the customers are girls. And when they bring their husbands or boyfriends, the first thing they ask is, 'Do you have beer?' They're mostly beer drinkers, so we decided to cater to both groups."

He has also come up with a way to lure customers who hesitate to venture beyond white wines into trying his reds. "I'm Hungarian and in Hungary they make some good sausages. I got some Hungarian sausages — kind of mild, and mildly smoked — for people to try with a cracker. You start eating it and then you eat it like popcorn. We ease people from the white wine to the rosé, and then we give them sausage. It changes the palate, and the red wine tastes so good with that sausage. Since then we've tripled our red wine sales." Happy tasters asked to buy the meat and Cziraki obliged. In four months he's sold some 600 pounds.

An expanded driveway has made it easier for limos and buses to visit, and traffic has increased steadily. And next year, Bella Vista Cilurzo, situated off the main drag, will make its big play for visibility. "Hopefully, next year we're going to put in wine caves. We have 540 feet of frontage on Rancho California Road and I'm going to cut the hill back and then go in. I'm planning on 30,000 square feet of caves."

The move, while dramatic enough to attract tourist attention, has a primarily practical end optimal wine storage conditions without ma-



Imre Cziraki

chine-made cooling. (Cziraki is a big fan of barrel aging and what it can do for a wine's finish he plans to let at least some of his wine spend a solid four years in older barrels before bottling.) 'Even in Northern California they're not doing it right," says Cziraki, showing me photos of European caves. "I don't think they can get it colder than 65 degrees, and you want to keep it between 55 and 58 degrees. What they do is, they just go straight in. Each time they open the door, whoosh, the outside air goes in. In Europe they go in about 50 feet, then they go down at about a ten-degree angle for maybe another 30, 40 feet. Then they straighten it out. That angle is the cushion that will keep the heat out." He also predicts that the underground storage will help cut down on evaporation of the wine from the barrels. And of course, wine caves are not without their aesthetic appeal - Cziraki foresees subterranean parties and weddings.

Aboveground, up the hill from the winery, Cziraki plans more celebratory spaces. Dirt from the expanded driveway worksite has been hauled uphill to make a level plateau adjacent to the adobe house — a concert venue. The pond area is slated for landscaping and a picnic area. The



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house itself, once home to Cilurzo and the site of winemaker dinners hosted by his wife Audrey, will become a restaurant. Cziraki takes inspiration from the Hobbit restaurant in Orange County, also situated in a former residence. "The garage has been made into a wine cellar. You walk in, they give you a glass of Champagne, and you walk around and make your selections. When you walk up to your table, your selection is already there. It's a gourmet-type restaurant."

gourmet-type restaurant. The eight-course prix fixe menu changes each week. "The dining experience is about three and a half hours. I think Temecula needs it."

As he walks me through the house's gorgeous adobe-walled rooms, their rough-hewn ceilings borne aloft by enormous wooden beams, he smiles with anticipatory pleasure. Out by the patio, where a fountain will replace the swimming pool, he gestures at the view. "This is the best-looking property in the valley for what I want to do with it."

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 agree

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 "north-ern Italian" bills of fare that you encounter all over Hillcrest and the Gaslamp, (It is, in fact, a sister restaurant to Hillcrest's Arriverderci.) The signifiers of seriousness are the pink pep percorns, goat cheese, sun-dried tomatoes, and light cream sauces that coexist with the more traditional mozzarella-tomato sauce arrays. Best bets are the daily specials, which offer the greatest chance for fresh ingredients and cre-ativity. 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 Hill-crest. "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 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,"

able. Dinner nightly, reservations advised. Upper moderate. — *N.W. (9/01)*

I Trulli Trattoria 830 South Coast

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 gyros (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)

St. Tropez 947 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103D, Encinitas, 760-633-0084. If you love continental breakfast, this bright café with indoor-outdoor seating offers scores of house-baked pastries (among them the rare, elusive brioche) and four styles of coffee, including an excellent French roast. Parisian-style brunch/lunch choices embrace croque monsieur and croque madame (grilled ham and cheese sandwiches, topped with either light cream sauce or an egg), crepes, quiche, onion soup gratinée, or a chicken-filled vol-au-vent puff-pastry shell. Omelets are rather weighty. Some of the sandwiches offer Mediterranean flavors — try a pan bagnat (salade niçoise on a baguette) or one of the grilled *panini*. Desserts range from cookies on up to elaborate cakes. Open daily, breakfast to very early dinner. In expensive. — N.W. (10/01)

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 Hawaiian 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 geraniumsplashed 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)* **Vigilucci's** 505 South Coast Highway 101 (at D Street), Encinitas,

Vigilucci's 505 South Coast Highway 101 (at D Street), Encinitas, 760-942-7332. In the Land of 10,000 Trattorias, this is one of the most popular — and for good reason. The restaurant's motto, "a little piece of Italy," is actually accurate. Freshness, simplicity, and savvy seasoning — that's Italian. The pastas are luscious (try the comforting cannelloni with an unusual stewed meat stuffing) and the flavorful entrées come with honest fresh vegetables. The staff is bouncy and jokey, the wines are mainly affordable, and spirits run high. Of course it's crowded, so reserve to avoid a long, hungry wait. Other locations include Vigilucci Cucina in Carlsbad, Vigilucci's Seafood and Steakhouse in Carlsbad. — N.W. (10/01)

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 decorations 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)

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NORTH INLAND

150 Grand Cafe 150 West Grand Avenue (between Broadway and Maple), Escondido, 760-738-6868. Chef Carlton Greenavalt 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 cröme 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 pirx fixe dinners weeknights; slightly expensive à la carte on weekends. — N.W. (10/03)

Bolsa Vietnamese Restaurant 9225 Mira Mesa Boulevard #118 (behind Wendy's), 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 Vietnamese 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) **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, low-salt 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) crèpelike 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 Tuesday through Sunday with buffet lunches and à la carte dinners. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (1003)

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.*

GOLD COAST

Epazote Southwest Restaurant 1555 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 spit-roasted items. Sunday brunch à la carte. This place is always crowded. Open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W*. **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 available; 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 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 Tay-lor 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 l 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 spitroasted 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 foot-long. 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)*

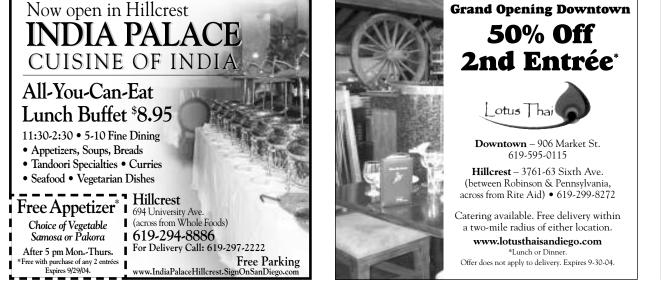
French Pastry Shop 5550 La Jolla Boulevard (at Forward Street), La Jolla, 858-454-9094. A longstanding fixture of the Bird Rock area, this bakery/restaurant includes both a simple, spacious dining room and a shaded patio (reputedly San Diego's first dining patio). Breakfast — a highlight of the menu — 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 Harry's Corree 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 waitresses 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 Belgian-style waffles, too), and for lunch, turkey burgers and the bacon-loaded British Burger are popular. At the counter, the banter between been-here-forever waitresses and customers sounds like family life Nice sidewalk patio, too. Long lines on weekends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (2/03)

India Palace 7514 Girard Avenue (at Pearl, across parking lot from Vons), Suite 10, La Jolla, 858-551-5133. Also, 694 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 691-294-8886. In one of the best (and prettiest) Indian restaurants in the area, the refined cuisine of the north is served







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in a curvacious, serene room with a

domed ceiling. Most dishes are gently

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-clack-ing, 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 "pan nwiches" such as ham or tuna are fresh, generous, and worthy, though the ret-ros 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-some-thing 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 *futo-maki* party sushi. And they're fabulous, with sparkling fresh seafood and immensely clever combinations. Try, for instance, the shrimp tempura roll, which wraps fried shrimp, crab shreds, *daikon* sprouts and Japanese mayo in deep-fried

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salmon skin - the combo would be just as impressive as an appetizer at a top Cal-French restaurant. The Orange Crush is another sublime invention, fresh and crunchy with veggies and *tobiko* wrapped in suave salmon. Even simple rolls are so well-conceived, and the rice so nicely seasoned, you won't need soy-wasabi dip. The one-time menu of cooked dinner entrées, however, is now minimal. No reservations, long waits (in cramped entryway) on weekends. Full bar, good sake list. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly, with deep discounts for Happy Hour specials. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

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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, almo 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 sig-nature 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





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Aladdin's Cafe 5420 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Clairemont, 858-573-0000; Uptown Shopping Center, 1220 Cleveland Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-574-1111. These cafés offer a bright, clean atmosphere for bright and clean, if rather generic, Middle Eastern favorites (hummus, tabbouleh, kebabs, *shawerma*, etc.), plus imaginative Levantine-flavored pizzas and salads. There are ample choices for vegetarians. The Hillcrest location offers beer and wine. Inexpensive to moderate. — *NW.* (11/00)

Dumpling Inn 4619 Convoy Street #F, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-9638, Holein-the-wall? Yes. But what a hole-in-the-wall. For those who love the Far East and its food, finding the Dumpling Inn is a little revelation. It's located in the busy Jasmine/Korean Market Center among Oriental herbalists, man-sizevase shops, even feng shui experts. The Inn itself is tiny but charming. Long hanging lanterns, decorative strings of scarlet and gold firecrackers, Chinese flutes, and even the odd conical straw hat. The food is serious but not expensive. Dishes like ten fish and green chive dumplings, spicy stir-fried three-ingredient *lo mein* (thick noodles, jumbo shrimp, calamari, and chicken plus hot red peppers) are challenging and exciting, as is the Dumpling Dinner (including hot-and-sour soup, cold cuts, shredded pork, bun, pot-stickers, shrimp and pork dumplings). Don't miss their divine jellyfish salad — crunchy-tender, bright and spicy (but not too) — you'd be hard-pressed to find its like outside of Hong Kong. Lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive. E.B. (5/02)

Lee's Catering Truck In parking lot by Airgas industrial gas depot, 910 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Complex), Clairemont, 858-922-6444 or 619-889-0759. People stop here for an early stand-up breakfast on their way to the Superior Court next door. The truck only stops here for half an hour. But the aunt and nephew who run it, originally from Vietnam, are super-friendly, and their coffees and breakfast treats are the cheapest anywhere. Like the bacon, egg, and cheese sandwich, or two sausages, three eggs and Tater Tots, or the interesting chicken curry burritos. Even Chinese dishes: BBQ-duck rice bowl or stirfried beef rice. But the joy is eating alongside clerks, judges, and the guys they'll be judging. 7 a.m. to 7:30 a.m., Monday through Friday. — E.B. (1/04)

New Shanghai 4681 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-569-4833. New Shanghai is busy, friendly, and draws a mostly Chinese clientele because their Chinese food isn't "Americanized." Whatever your gastronomic politics, try the generous plateful of dry braised shrimp, the "de-fatted pork shoulder," the hot tripe, and the ingenious red beam pancake dessert. Inexpensive to moderate. — M.N. (4/99)

Rosie and Joe's Grill & Cantina 7986 Armour Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-277-5777. Joe Polizzi and his wife Rosalie started this place in 1959. Now his son Paul and wife Lynn run it as a New Mexico-style eatery-sports barpatio café with karaoke and mini-golf. Popular dishes include the "Beerubin" sandwich (corn beef on rye with sauerkraut, Gouda cheese), the Sweet Sicilian sandwich (grilled Italian sausage sautéed onions, bell peppers, provolone), and the California Chili Burger (with roasted chilis, onions, Gouda cheese). Also good: the Pescado Vera Cruz (pan-grilled fish with caramelized onions). Yes, it's out in the industrial wilds of Kearny Mesa, but i thas a *Cheers* feel to it. Ope for lunch, dinner, seven days. Inexpensive; dinners moderate. — *E.B.* (1/04)

THE BEACHES

Chateau Orleans 926 Turquoise Street (at Mission Boulevard), Pacific Beach, 858-488-6744. Just like eating in the French Quarter — at one of Bourbon Street's best tourist traps, complete with live music and party atmosphere. The lovely multiroom premises have a real Crescent City "let the bon temps rouler" feel to it, but the simpler Southern dishes — honest crab cakes, fried catfish — seem better bets than the kitchen's attempts at more demanding Acadian fare. Reservations strongly advised. A little dressy on weekends. Full bar. Wheelchair users may need help with rest room doors. Dinner Monday through Saturday. High moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

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 sweet-andpungent 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 family-owned-and-operated restaurant for wonderful Lebanese and Greek food. The owner, a noted artist, displays his paintings on the dining room walls. The extensive menu offers excellent lamb, stuffed grape leaves, and a wide selection of exotic vegetarian meals. Copious all-you-can-eat buffet available at lunch or dinner in addition to the regular menu. Given 24 hours, this café will prepare an astonishing Lebanese feast at low cost. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *E.W.*

Karinya Thai & Vegetarian Cuisine 4475 Mission Boulevard (SeaCoast Square), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5050. Think of the movie *The Beach*, with a bunch of Leo DiCaprio look-alikes getting 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 *tom 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. A nice 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 burgeoning with plant life and craft objects. A big plus: zero attitude. You don't have to be vegi-virtuous to enjoy full-flavored combinations that are as creative as they are wholesome. Try anything with lobster or calamari steak - in fact, all the seafood here is pristine. Try, even, an an-ground. And sample something with the house-made mole sauce of a zillion ingredients. Actually, try — anything. (Well, the chicken breast is as dry here as everywhere else. Try anything else.) Open daily breakfast through dinner. No reserva-tions, but call ahead for large parties. Inexpensive. - N.W. (6/01)

Rum Jungle Smoothies and Deli 4150 Mission Boulevard #153, Promenade 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 little place has lots of other smoothies, too; along with garden burgers and sandwiches. 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 industry. 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 salad). And, of course, a crispy-crunchy fish-and-chips platter. Eat outside on deck, contemplating the small ships on the bay. They buy seasonal catch from local fishboats and also sell it at their attached retail market. They're famous for smoking fish for the fishermen. Open daily, lunch/early dinner. Retail market closed Mondays. Inexpensive. -E.B. (11/00)

CENTRAL San Diego

Big Kitchen 3003 Grape Street (between 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 homecooking from Michoacan, Guerrero, Jalisco, and Oaxaca, prepared by Luz Herrera Ibarra, a biology teacher from Acapulco. Try the *huarache* (cactus slices with carne asada, frijoles, cheese, and onions) or the *mulita carne adobada* (pork, melted cheese, and guacamole inside two tortillas) and have a glass of *nuez* (a refresh ing walnut drink). Breakfast through early dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Jyoti-Bihanga 3351 Adams Avenue, 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 surround you. Apart from that, not only is this heavenly blue-domed restaurant run by his students peaceful, but the fresherthan-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-integrated 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)

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619-688-0717. This informal little restau rant 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 de liciously cheap falafel sandwich in Mama's fresh-made *sajj*, (soft flatbread). On cool days warm up to a bowl of *fool mudamas*, or slow-cooked beans (tasty fava and gar banzos). Try also spinach pie, labneh (creamy cheese, olive oil, and pita), and baba ghanoush (smoky pureed eggplant hummus). Inexpensive. M.N. (1/99)

EAST COUNTY & STATE COLLEGE

Antonio's Hacienda 700 North Johnson Avenue, El Cajon, 619-442-9827. If the décor hasn't been updated from its original 1960s-fabulous Old California Spanish, it's because there's been no need. The enormous dark-wood chandeliers, the padded-leather wooden chairs, the chainsaw-weathered wood beams - all top-shelf and aging well. Families abound, reveling in the guitar trio and the exposed kitchen station - such atmosphere! And the flavors are user-friendly, sweetness muting the spice in the salsa and the Ranchero sauce. The Camarones Tequila is a little more exciting; the sweetness of its bacon-wrapped shrimp gets a fine counter from the bitter liquor in the marinade. Ex-cellent Enchiladas Suizas: pale, mush-tender shredded chicken wrapped in tortillas and doused with good, tangy green sauce. Lunch and dinner daily. Champagne brunch on Sundays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; all-day buffet Sunday through Thursday. Inexpensive to low moderate. - A.M. (4/03) Cafe Zia 6686 El Caion Boulevard (at

Montezuma), College Area, 619-337-3937. South Asia meets Mexico! Khaled Zia had the brilliant idea of combining tacos (or wraps or bagels) with chicken and South Asia's great gift to the world: chutney — mango chutney, papaya chutney, peach, apple, even a serrano chili pepper chutney. The combo works with them all. As soon as you smell the chicken strips hissing away on the grills, you're hooked. Then when they come smothered in peach or mango chutney or cooling yogurt, along with sweet-sauced potatoes, what can you do? Do as half of San Diego State does: just say yes. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

Downtown Cafe 182 East Main Street El Cajon, 619-440-5687. Surprise! Not fai from Magnolia and Maina French-style sidewalk café. The successful "Por Favor" eateries' owner launched this as a kind of Mexican patio restaurant, but serving gringo food. And it works, maybe becaus of reasonable prices for baby-back pork ribs, giant burritos, or Louisiana Chicken strips. Or even the veggie burger. But it's partly where you dine: out on the patio. The place has lots of ancient doors and wrought iron-and-wood window frames, laced with creepers. Inside is a beautiful long bar with a counter on the street and chess sets so you can play and watch the world go by. Lunch and dinner. Inexpen-sive to moderate. — *E.B.* (5/03)

Jimmy's 9635 Mission Gorge Road (at Town Center Drive), Santee, 619-448-8994. We're at the end of the line here, the trolley's Orange Line. Feels like a safari. You walk back through the grass to the streets of Santee. Thank goodness for this family-friendly restaurant with good, old-fashioned American food. Their six-page plastic menu tells all — forget your diet and dig into the breakfast "Eggs and Cakes" (two eggs, three pancakes), the "Touchdown" (two eggs, two hot-cakes, four strips of bacon or three link sausages), or the "Monte Cristo" hot sandwich (ham and turkey grilled on batterdipped Texas toast with Swiss cheese, hot syrup, and French fries). Later in the day, the New York strip or sirloin steak with all the trimmings, and desserts like home-made cinnamon bread pudding with raisins and whipped cream. Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Tyler's Taste Of Texas 576 North Second Street, El Cajon, 619-444-9295. Un-fussy 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 pebblysmooth 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 moky, but a little uneven in texture BBO beef is reliable and the sweetish sauce shows well on the chicken. Pleasant surprises: a substantial, peppery cornmeal crust on the tender catfish and the fried green tomatoes, and the rich stock in the vegetable soup. Open 24 hours. Inexpen-sive to low moderate. — A.M. (2/02)





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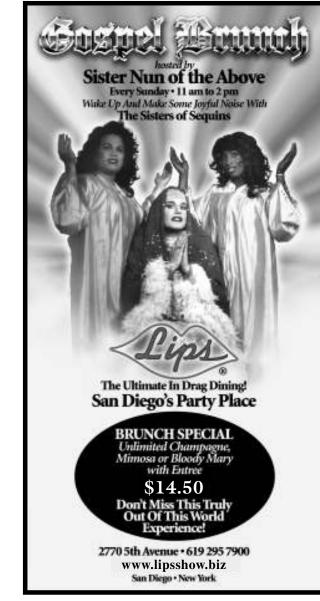
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FAR EAST

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), numer ous 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. (403)

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 fip 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)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Bertrand at Mister A's 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel), 12th floor, Banker's Hill, 619-239-1377. Bertrand Hug's airy, open renovation of this formerly "ancient 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 bistoclassics and fresh inventions, emphasizing top-grade seasonal ingredients. 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 or reception desk. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Expensive. — N.W. (2004)

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 on this side of the Pacific. Some dishes 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 artdeco colors — the cornucopia of fruit above the entrance, the mustard yellow 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)

Cottage Cafe & Garden Grill 2321 Fifth Avenue (at Juniper Street), Banker's Hill, 619-696-0071. The Polish feel of this midtown café is palpable. The owners vacation in Poland yearly to update the family recipes. But you can eat American if you want, with smidgeons of Russian, Italian, and Greek, too. The "Farmer's Breakfast" is a roundup of chopped ham or sausage, onions scrambled with two eggs, home fries, and toast. Or go Polish with a grilled Polish sausage sandwich stuffed with peppers, onions, and sauerkraut on rye. A full range of Polish specialties shows up on the weekend allyou-can-eat buffet, with stuffed cabbage, beefstroganoff, sausages and cabbage, and chicken paprika. Try the Polish beer, "Okocim, 1845," but be careful— it's 8.1 percent alcohol. Great patio out back. Open daily, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive.— *E.B. (9/01)*

Gulf Coast Grill 4130 Park Boulevard (between University and El Cajon), Hillcrest, 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 softshelled 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. Wheekchair 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)

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 ouches and towering heaps of garnishes. All the edible frou-frou decorating the appetizers can wear you out, but most en-trées are more focused and friendly. Good choices include a starter of mussels in a seductive *chilpotle* cream sauce, and en-trées of spicy, sweet-sour layered "jerk" chicken or the signature "Skirts On Fire," a miraculously tender grilled skirt steak imbued with a *bicante* marinade. Desserts by Sharon Bristol follow the housestylesky-high, ornate, complex. Casual atmosphere, very noisy. Heated patio. Reservations stroi ngly 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-throughwithout-cars for 20 years. One of the main reasons is the *carne asada* burritos. Richtasting, 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)

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 Cambozola" salad, with strawberries, pecans, and a Camembert/Gorgonzola-style cheese, or "François's Famous Vegetarian 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, downtown, 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 Englandstyle 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 chill 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 kitchen will add extra ingredients (Jack or Cheddar, mushrooms, grilled onions, bacon, jalapeño). Open daily, 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Inexpensive. — N.W. (8/01)

DeMedici 815 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-7228. This lovely, cream-andsepia dining room evokes an Italian Renaissance villa, while its sidewalk patio offers a prime pageant of Gaslamp follies. Either way, you'll enjoy exceptional serv-ice — 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 of Katz's Deli on 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)

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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 oakfueled 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 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 vawns. It offers excellent tortilla soup, decent ceviche, and filet mignon strewn with *cuitlacoche* (a.k.a. "corn mushrooms," a 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, 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 and dinner, Monday through Friza.

Rainwater's on Kettner 1202 Ket tner Boulevard (at B Street), Little Italy, 619-233-5757. You could order the fish the chicken, or even the lamb, but odds are you're here because you want steak, prepared by people who respect your enthu-siasm and offer prime beef in multiple cuts. And you're here because Rainwater's is venerable and local. You can dine oldstyle and enjoy it - warm cornbread fingers, a fine loose-packed crab cake, a crisp vatery 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)

Spice House Cafe 1401 Ninth Street (at Ash Street), downtown, 619-239-8510. When your "head feels like an old potato" and your "tongue like a button hook" (to quote Kipling), Spice House's answer is their Hangover Omelet. We don't know if it's the Ortega chilies or Jack cheese or super tangy tomato sauce, but some guys swear they feel better for eating it. The place is a pleasant surprise jutting out into the top foliage of trees sprouting up from Hwy. 163 - the view looks like a forest. Other excellent choices include Por-tuguese sausage with three eggs, paisano frittata with ham, tomatoes, mushrooms, and thick French toast topped with strawberries and whipped cream. Open daily, breakfast and lunch. Original branch at 9035 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Complex Drive, across from courthouse), 858-565-1028, also serves dinner nightly, with emphasis on Greek-American cuisine. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

Crown City Grille 926 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-5822. If you thought Coronado had only fat-cat eateries, think again — the area crawls with burrito joints, pizza joints, rice joints, and burger joints. Yet this new burgery is doing fine. It could be the sheer variety, but mainly it's that they've got the burger basics right. The bun's crisp, the meat's lean and, especially with the bleu cheese model, the taste is to die for. Owners Dave and Jeanne Evans say the pattie's always part sirloin, part New York cut. Also, the jalapeño-bacon cheeseburger is excellent, the Chicagostyle hot dog with "sport peppers" is hot and messy, and the Icelandic cod fish and chips is generously portioned and tasty. Plus, beer and wine. Breakfast, lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/03)

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 presi dents, princes and Marilyn Monroe have chowed down. It's only open for Sunday brunch these days. The gigantic eat-tillyou're-beat buffet feast ranges from made-as-you-watch omelets to salmon, crab legs, prime rib, dizzving 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 Bene dict — and those eggs could do with a lot more Benedict). But this is an Edwardianscale 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 (at Loma Street), Coronado, 619-435-4545. This unassuming, spill-out-on-the-street restaurant somehow got it right. Simple tables on the sidewalk, daily made-on-thepremises semolina pasta, most dishes costing in the single digits. A simple fettuccine Alfredo is a pleasure al fresco with 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, eatl Check out the *birria en sujugo* (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 crean), 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 breadloaf, 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. In expensive 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) Village Club Card Room 429 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-425-3333. Yes, it's mostly poker players, but anybody can

mostly poker players, but anybody can come in and order a meal. And here's the thing: first-time visitors get their meal free. Really. Players or nonplayers. Of course, the idea is to keep players' bellies full so they can return to the game, so even second-timers get a deal with down-home comfort-dishes like grilled chicken breast sandwich, spaghetti with meatballs and garlic bread, or garlic shrimp with fried rice and egg, plus Chinese dishes including Kung Pao beef or chicken, Mongolian beef, and a good wonton soup with noodles. Open 24 hours. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/04)

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Big Boy Restaurant Agua Caliente Boule rd #9892 (across the street from the old bullring), Tijuana, 686-3788. Besides having excellent Mexican-American food, this Big Boy knock-off draws some of the most interesting people in Tijuana — journalists, lawyers, cattle ranchers, politicians, Baja's heavy hitters. Day or night, Big Boy is always busy. Gringo food's no problem. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, sausage, chorizo or ham, plus hash browns or frijoles, toast, juice, and endless coffee. Nobody will object if you sit sipping the free refills till the moon comes up. But you won't — you'll crack and order more when you smell the popular, macho "royal" hamburger, with two beef patties, smoked ham, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, fries, and salad. Or the chicken breast marinated in tequila with cilantro, guacamole, and beans. Open 24/7. Inexpensive. - E.B. (11/00)

Cafe la Especial Avenida Revolución #718 (down the market steps), Tijuana, 685-6654. Café la Especial was once a great favorite of American aficionados of Ti-juana's bullfights at the old downtown Plaza de Toros, Summer Sundays, fans would crowd into the café to chow down before the fights or rush back afterwards for a few drinks and a hearty meal. Inside, little has changed, not even the 50-50 locals-to-gringos ratio. Food is standard Mexican/American border fare, from tacos and tamales to carne asada and bis*tek ranchero*, from cactus and eggs to steak and eggs. But the atmosphere is the real draw: the low ceiling, varnished wood, black furniture with flowers painted up and down the legs and portraits on the backs, and lots of murals of Mexico on the walls. Owner Humberto Brambila's aunt Justina started it all, he says, in 1948, with the steamed taco stand upstairs. That's still going too. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. - E.B. (5/02)

La Baguette Blvd. Lázaro Cárdenas #1030 (a.k.a. Blvd. Costero, opposite San-born's between Castillo and Blancarte), Ensenada, 646-178-2814. For those who take their java straight and strong, this is a good stop for a quick continental break-

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La Espadana Avenida Sánchez Taboada #10813, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. Beautifully prepared 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 portions are mammoth and the breakfast is excellent. Superb service delightful atmosphere. Menus are printed in Spanish and English. Some English spoken. Open Monday through Saturday,

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HOW TO DO IT Carrot Butter: Place carrot iuice and butter in small saucepot. Heat and keep stirring until the liquid is reduced by half (to 2 tablespoons). Set aside.

Leek Stew: Sauté fennel in a shallow pot in olive oil until fennel is soft. Add the leeks. Sauté for a few more minutes. Add heavy cream and reduce until thick. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Set

7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

La Vuelta Avenida Revolución #8210 (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 rel-leno, taco, and enchilada) or *carne asada* served in an *olla de barro*, an earthenware pot from Guadalajara. Even the gringosounding 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

aside, but keep it warm. Bass: Coat the sea bass with chives, parsley, salt, and pepper. Heat oil in small saucepan and sear

crusted sea bass until done, approximately 4 minutes. Spoon leek stew onto the center of a plate. Outline stew with carrot butter and place bass on

top of stew. This recipe serves one.

INGREDIENTS

west edge of Puerto Nuevo; take Calle En-trada (entry road) to the ocean-front bluff, edge right, and walk about 30 feet down a steep dirt road running seaward from the street-market on the oceanside edge of town. Look for a yellow building with blue trim and a terrace with umbrellas. Worth looking for. This great, honest little restaurant harks back to the original, uncom-mercialized "lobster village" before it got its capital letters and written menus. Open since August, 2002, it's owned by an active fisherman, who serves (as much as weather permits) fresh-caught local lob-sters and genuine "daily catch" with standard sides - superb frijoles, red rice, real



1 tablespoon olive oil 1/4 cup leeks, diced 1/4 cup cream Salt and black pepper to taste

Bass:

5-ounce fillet of sea bass 2 tablespoons parsley, finely chopped 2 tablespoons chives, finely chopped 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon pepper 1 tablespoon oil

> melted butter — and that's all. The firstcourse ceviche, when available, is astonishingly flavorful with fish caught that very morning; in harsher weather, a hearty, warming fish chowder substitutes. Breaking from Puerto Nuevo tradition, when the lobster is fresh caught it's simply split and grilled, not lard-fried first, and all the better for it. Some staffers are bilingual. Open brunch through dinner. No reservations, cash only. Low moderate. — N.W. (11/02)

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

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, time-honored 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, 619-425-420; 9530 Murray Drive, La Mesa, 619-463-0368. — *E.W.*

California Pizza Kitchen 3363 Nobel Drive, La Jolla Village Square, La 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 BBQ 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 Gor-gonzola. 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 corpo-rate 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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Summer Summary

When they're over, they're over. What's next?

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s it me or is it movies? Something pretty close to parity seems to have come over the contemporary cinemascape, even more than over (where we usually hear about it) the professional

footballscape. It would be nice — it would be a sign of robust good health — to be able to perceive a clear separa-

tion between movies (thumbs up or thumbs down, hot or not, yea or nay, excellent or execrable), with of course a graceful arc of foothills connecting the flatlands to the mountaintops. That, no doubt, is how it would look in a cultural scene as exciting as, say, the Sixties and early Seventies. But then came *Jaws* and *Star Wars*, and everything changed forever: the commodification of the art form. The sky was no longer the limit, if only financially.

Excitement, whether visceral or intellectual, the kind of excitement that lingers long after the curtain has closed (when theaters still had curtains), is not to be manufactured on a schedule, like factory quotas of balloons and noisemakers. Nor is it to be feigned. The critic, anxious to live up to the Pauline Kael-ian label of "passionate," must not permit himself to be merely promiscuous. If he has been seeing nothing but flatlands for days and weeks and months on end, his duty is to trust his own eyes and not to make mountains out of molehills. Today's movies are not built to last.

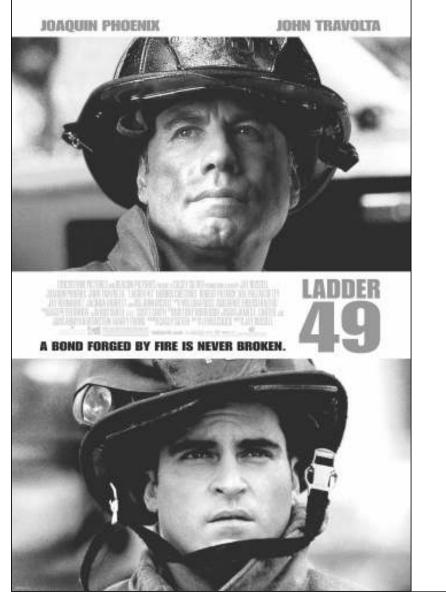
They are built to fast. They are built to generate press and grosses, lickety-split or licketysplat: either one-week wonders or D.O.A.

(And inescapably a second burst of fanfare upon the issue of the DVD.) It is almost startling to look back over the past summer's releases and be reminded of the presence among them of Troy, The Day after Tomorrow, The Chronicles of Riddick, Raising Helen, The Clearing, etc., rather than among the releases of spring or winter or two summers ago. Part of the task of critical assessment, as practiced anyway at a daily or a weekly, is the implicit prediction, the prognostication, of staying power. Or lack thereof. And looking back over the season gone by, I don't see that I have much cause for regret.

The most common separation between the movies of the summer, hardly the most clear separation, is between those that had *nothing* and those that had *something*. The nothings: movies strangled by special effects (*Van Helsing; Harry Potter and the*



Prisoner of Azkaban; Catwoman; I, Robot; Alien vs. Predator), movies that thought that simple newness could pass as creativeness (The Stepford Wives, The Manchurian Candidate, Around the World in 80 Days, King Arthur), movies whose neediness was positively repulsive (The Terminal, The Notebook, Garden State). The San Diego Chargers, if you will, and the Arizona Cardinals of the movie world. But the somethings, for the most part, were not much. *The Day after Tomorrow* had a handful of spooky visions that might have made decent illustrations for a Golden Age sciencefiction novel by John Wyndham or J.G. Ballard; *Shrek 2* had a revitalizing new character and voice, those of Antonio Banderas; *The Door in the* Floor had a character and a full performance, those of Jeff Bridges; Vanity Fair, an under-the-wire arrival on the First of September, had a whole cast of characters and performances; Super Size Me had an idea if not an image; De-Lovely had some delightful songs; Twilight Samurai and Zatoichi had some swordplay, not a lot and quite a lot, respectively; The Bourne Supremacy



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sometimes resembled a spy movie; Collateral sometimes resembled a hitman movie, and put an amiable Jamie Foxx in the crossfire; Code 46 and Open Water got good value for minimal production dollars, the second more minimal than the first; Exorcist: The Beginning had a viable premise, separate from the lethal obligation to be a prequel; The Village had an unviable premise but a determined effort to breathe some life into it; Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid had a few shudders and a few chuckles, more of the latter; Intimate Strangers had Sandrine Bonnaire. And so it went. I faithfully saw them all, and many more; I did not see much difference. A plus here, a plus there, a small sum. The New York Jets and the New Orleans Saints.

With the well-constructed and well-directed Spider-Man 2 (yes, that was this summer), the smooth-tongued Before Sunset, the eccentric Napoleon Dynamite, the elegant Hero, we experienced a definite ascent into the beginnings of the foothills. The Baltimore Ravens and the Tampa Bay Bucs. But even these do not, to apply the strictest standards, excite me; do not leave a lasting impression; do not accompany me through life. They may

rise above the norm. They may have been less taxing to sit through. And yet. When they're over, they're over. What's next?

I might be more worried about myself, and less about movies, if that sort of thing — the exciting, the lasting, the accompanying sort of thing never happened at all anymore. Lucky for me, then, that the summer also included a complete anomaly among wide-release box-office blockbusters, a documentary as engaging as it was engagé, Michael Moore's Fahrenheit 9/11, the one summer movie that would merit the dreaded designation of "important." (The designation of "successful," as I said at the time, will have to wait till later: Fahrenheit 11/2.) And Hou Hsiao-hsien's rarefied Millennium Mambo, even though it reached us out of step with the rest of the civilized world, and even though its one-week run at Madstone Hazard Center was reduced without notice to a weekend run, seemed almost a separate art form, a true pinnacle. Or perhaps (in light of its premature departure) a mirage. The New England Patriots, the Philadelphia Eagles. Maybe even the Pittsburgh Steelers of the Seventies, the San Francisco 49ers of the Eighties. It is worth noting that both of these outcroppings appeared in June.

Other than those, the most exciting — most impressing — most accompanying — thing I saw over the summer was at home on Turner Classic Movies: Edmund Goulding's

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Blondie of the Follies, 1932, a film justly famous for the offhand spoof by Marion Davies and Jimmy Durante of Garbo and Barrymore in Grand Hotel (made that same year by that same director), but beyond that, a film that ought to be famous for its all-around freshness and spontaneity, for its unruly sense of life, whether backstage at the cabaret, around the apartment with a blue-collar family, or at a soirée of uptown swells, as well as for its sophistication about the way of the world, the birds and the bees. Not, on the other hand, for its too tidy ending.

But in illustration of my point, I must go a little further. Back... back... back... to a film I watched on Turner so long ago I no longer can remember when. It was not this year. It may not have been last year. Still, it stays with me more vividly than any of the releases of the season just ended: an anti-violence Western from 1958. Saddle the Wind, written by that stern moralizer, Rod Serling, and directed by the underrated Robert Parrish. I could vaguely recall liking it when I was young, in the way I liked a lot of Westerns then, and vet I was utterly unprepared for it now, from the overwhelmingly evocative opening in which a dreamy Julie London vocal drifts over a Happy Valley, and alights on the shoulder of a discordant desperado, Charles McGraw, clip-clopping down Main Street on horseback.

The top-billed Robert Taylor is plainly the hero of the piece, a man of stature, a man with a reputation, a pistolero whose exploits with a gun are well behind him, a man who has settled down. A familiar type. He does nothing in the course of the action, though, other than the way he carries himself, to demonstrate his prowess as a hero. Oh, he throws his weight around with some defenseless squatters, but that's more the behavior of a bully, the entrenched cattleman resistant to the encroaching sodbuster. Meanwhile, his idolizing younger brother, John Cassavetes, represents another type: the hot-headed youth who feels he has missed out on all the excitement and is itching to carve a notch or two onto his own gun. It is he, through good luck and bad sportsmanship, who kills the desperado, come to town to settle an old score with Taylor. And like the wild animal who gets a taste of human blood, he goes crazier and crazier till his sins take him past the point of any redemption.

It falls naturally to his older brother to track him down and bring him in for punishment. At last, we think, we're going to see the hero act like one. It is precisely for moments like this that a hero is needed. Cassavetes, true to type, too, will not be taken back alive. And so the two brothers, alone in the mountains, square off in the classic showdown stance we've seen a thousand times. Except this time is different. In a resolution that must be unique in the genre, Cassavetes pivots sideways as he pulls his gun, turns the gun on him-

self, shoots himself dead. Taylor stands there as stunned as the viewer, and exits the movie with his record intact: having done absolutely nothing for the duration. All the civilizing violence, the town-taming, Indian-fighting, rustler-busting violence, has been placed literally in the past, before the film began; all the present-tense violence is branded socially unacceptable. Not your ordinary Western. (What some sort of person might be tempted to term a meta-Western.) You have to have seen a lot of movies - maybe you have to have let a few decades pass by - to realize how brilliant this is, and to realize the impossibility of anything comparable being done today. ■

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Alien vs. Predator — Plural, more accurately: Aliens vs. Predators, facing off in the arena of an ancient pyramid under the Antarctic ice. Notwithstanding the outward hostilities, it's a pragmatic pooling of commercial assets by the Fox studio, profit motive only. A clearer motive, at any rate, than that of the dreadlocked Predators, who, it comes to light, once taught humans to build pyramids (in the assorted styles of Egypt, Mexico, Cambodia), while also using them to breed Aliens, in order to have a worthy prey on which to test their own mettle as hunters. With Sanaa Lathan, Raoul Boya, Lance Henriksen, Ewen Bremner: written and directed by Paul W.S. Anderson. 2004.

• (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid — The rare Perennium Mortalis blooms but once every seven years in the jungles of Borneo, harboring behind its beauty a "pharmaceutical equivalent to the Fountain of Youth." ("That'd be bigger than Viagra!") Bad luck for the botanical team, then, that it's blooming during mating season for a strain of giant CG snakes. Cheerfully cheesy B-movie delivers what it promises as well as some bonus laughs. With Johnny Messner (rivalling Vin Diesel and Michael Wincott in bass vibration), KaDee Strickland, Matthew Marsden, Salli Richardson-Whitfield, Eugene Byrd, and Morris Chestnut; directed by Dwight Little. 2004.

★ (CHULA VISTA 10; GASLAMP 15; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Before Sunset — Richard Linklater's sequel to Before Sunrise, after a nine-year hiatus: not nearly as long as the twenty years between Claude Lelouch's A Man and a Woman and its sequel, just barely longer than the delay between Jacques Demy's Lola and his Model Shop. It seems appropriate to reference French forerunners (although The Model Shop is in Los Angeles and in English), inasmuch as Linklater elects to reunite his young lovers in Paris, more specifically at the Shakespeare and Company bookstore, where the man (a hollowercheeked Ethan Hawke) is reading from, fielding questions about, and signing his John Hancock to, a semi-autobiographical novel that recounts the events of Before Sunrise. The woman (a hollower-eyed Julie Delpy) turns up in the audience on her own initiative to resume their conversation. The premise allows Linklater to replay clips, during the Q-and-A session, of their onenight stand in Vienna in the summer of '95 — a helpful refresher for the viewer who wasn't moved to add that title to his video collection. The lovers, should you need reminding, did not swap numbers and addresses at their parting; and their proposed six-month reunion, we now find out, never came about. So they hasten to

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catch up. They walk in the street, sit in a cafe ("I love this cafe. I wish they had places like this in the U.S."), walk in the park, sit in the park, take a boat ride on the Seine, take a cab to, or toward, the airport, stop by her apartment on the way: the camera keeps quiet and keeps rolling. The rhythm of conversation, albeit an abnormally gushing and bubbling one, dictates the rhythm of the film: it would almost be Rohmer-esque (for another French reference) if it had more of a moral dilemma, more of a narrative situation, to accompany the yackety-yak. 2004.

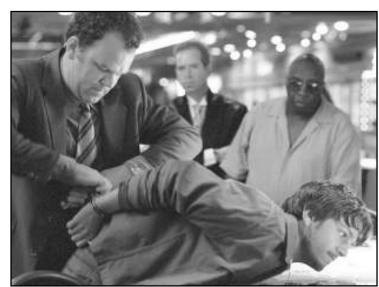
★★ (GASLAMP 15)

The Bourne Supremacy — The Bourne sequel. Admittedly, the basic premise of an amnesiac spy who remembers none of his assignments but all of his training is intrinsically ridiculous, internally illogical. (His unusual handicap — groping along a fogbound Memory Lane — never seems to slow him down, never lets his scheming adversaries get ahead of him.) But one of the side benefits of sequels is that any quarrel with a basic premise will tend eventually to die down - or get worn down. We get used to it and over it. Or we just get tired of quarrelling. And, at least for a fair distance, this sequel is fast, ferocious, diverting - yet in the end, and after it, unsatisfying and unsustaining. That strain of incongruous, incompatible sentimentality that so weakened the first film lingers on in the second, despite the early exit of Franka Potente and her civilizing, softening, feminine influence. And the climactic car chase in Moscow is perfectly laughable: every law-enforcement vehicle in the city is hot on our hero's tail and still he manages, after four or five neck-snapping collisions, to find some "alone time" with the very assassin who took a shot at him at the start of the film in India. And — an early and unrelenting quarrel — while the replacement of Doug Liman as director is no great loss, the choice of his actual replacement is highly questionable: Paul Greengrass, maker of the British docudrama Bloody Sunday. In the best of circumstances, his sloppy, scrambling, pseudodocumentary camera style would be a poor fit for so cool and controlled and perfectionist a hero. But this hero is more than just that. Greengrass seems to be laboring under the same misapprehension as Liman the first time: that he is presiding over an exposé of the spy racket rather than over a paean to its supreme practitioner. The title of the sequel can only be read as a coronation. Matt Damon, Brian Cox, Joan Allen, Julia Stiles 2004.

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Bright Young Things — Stephen Fry's adaptation of Evelyn Waugh's Vile Bodies, with Stephen Campbell Moore and Emily Mortimer (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 9/17)

The Brown Bunny — Chloë Sevigny blows Vincent Gallo. For real. For maybe, at most, a minute of verifiable screen time, short of completion. There is, to be sure, an actual film before the act of sex: a quasi-Seventies road movie (all the way to a sappy Gordon Lightfoot tune, untruncated, on the soundtrack, and a nonspeaking part for erstwhile supermodel Cheryl Tiegs) that discovers in its travels the barrenness of America and the anomie of the traveller. In specific, he is a motorcycle racer travelling

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east to west, en route to his next race in California, and searching on both coasts for a girl he used to live with, name of Daisy. (Half an hour into the running time we get a glimpse of her in flashback: Chloë.) A gasstation cashier by the name of Violet is willing, after an exchange of a couple of lines of dialogue, to walk away from her register to go with him. An older woman named Lilly, so it says on her purse, complete with double-L, trades smooches with him at a rest stop after no more wooing than the one-word blandishment, "Okay?" And a streetwalker in Vegas catches his fancy with a necklace that identifies her as Rose. To round out this cornball floral pattern, the hero himself is called Bud, a tender innocent who, in each instance of a willing woman,

loses his interest before the seed can take root. No one stimulates his stamen like Daisy. It is impossible to overstate the dullness of the film, best captured in the interminable driving scenes where we're looking through a bug-spattered windshield at an often out-of-focus roadscape, or else looking at a badly framed profile of the driver. (Gallo is cited not only as writer, director, editor, and producer in the opening credits, but as director of photography in the closing ones.) And after the enervation of the hour and a quarter of aimless foreplay, the probable response to the unclimactic climax is "Ho-hum." 2004. • (KEN, THROUGH 9/16)

Catwoman — Batman's feline foe flies solo (say that five times at top speed) — off on an empowerment trip to explore the duality of Everywoman, but especially the suppressed "bad" side, as long as it's put in service to Truth and Justice if not necessarily the American Way. (A role this complex cries out for an Academy Award winner Halle Berry answers the call.) Because of the redefinition of the character, we are obliged to back up to a time when she was not yet Catwoman, when she was only a mouseburger known as Patience Phillips, an ace ad designer for a major cosmetics firm, all set to launch a health-hazardous skin cream marketed as Beau-line (and pronounced, in a blend of French and ignorance, Bee-oh-leen). Almost an hour ticks by before she slips into the peekaboo dominatrix outfit with bullwhip accessory. First she must be drowned, artificially respirated by a magical Egyptian cat, and infused with computer-generated superpowers. (Berry could sue over the animated back spasms and gimpy gait that are supposed to pass for slinky.) The

imported French director, the single-named Pitof, brings to the film some swooping cameras, bronzing light, oxidizing color, but nothing from within. Benjamin Bratt, Sharon Stone, Lambert Wilson, Frances Conroy. 2004. (VOGUE)

Cellular — Hostage thriller, with a breathless pace and an oxygen-deprived plot, from a story idea by Larry Cohen: a companion piece to Phone Booth, but freed, through the technology of mobile phones, for a lot of car chases and running around. Kim Basinger throws herself, body and soul, into the role of a very distressed damsel; and the unprepossessing William H. Macy enjoys himself enormously as a veteran cop on the verge of a career move into the dayspa business. With Chris Evans and Iason Statham; directed by David R. Ellis. 2004. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: ENCINITAS 8: 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)

A Cinderella Story — Laborious reworking of the staple fairy tale in the San Fernando Valley: the high-school football star (Chad Michael Murray, so sensitive that his forehead never smooths out) can't recognize his copiously blond classmate (Hilary Duff) at the Halloween costume party, even though she's hidden behind a mask no bigger than the Lone Ranger's: his only clue to her identity is her dropped cell phone in lieu of a glass slipper. No magic;

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only mechanics. With Jennifer Coolidge and Regina King; directed by Mark Rosman. 2004 (VOGUE)

Collateral — Director Michael Mann situates Tom Cruise under a silver-fox hair dye in the back seat of a taxi cab crowned by an ad for Bacardi Silver. That matchingcolor fashion statement says a lot about this sleek, cool, preening, glamorous thriller in the Mann-ly manner (Thief, Manhunter, Heat, not to forget the TV series Miami

Vice). The philosophical, nihilistic, sociopathic contract killer who hires an off-the-meter cab for \$600 to drive him around to five hits in a single night in Los Angeles, and who peppers his conversation with farflung references to Darwin, the I Ching, Charlie Mingus, and recent events in Rwanda, is a bit of a stretch for Cruise. Then again, anything more flexible than a mannequin is a bit of a stretch for Cruise. The film, and in particular Jamie Foxx, does a good job of establishing the hapless cabbie as a nice guy: the "cleanest cab in L.A.," a photo of a Maldives island fastened to his sun visor as a meditational escape, pipe dreams of his own privately operated fleet of limos, speaking Spanish to a conveniencestore clerk, offering sage counsel to an overstressed federal prosecutor in the back

seat. And although a couple of the stepping stones are unsteady (the cracked windshield, after the very first hit, immediately draws the attention of a patrol car but doesn't prompt the hit man to revise his plan; and hospital visiting hours seem to extend past closing time at a jazz club), the storyline makes its way to an exciting convergence on a nightclub called Fever, a collision course for a team of FBI operatives, a free-lancing cop, a couple of mob torpedoes, and of course the hit man and his chauffeur. The messy result on the dance floor derails the film if not the unstoppable terminator, who has by now been built up so big that his ultimate takedown cannot help but be a source of disbelief. Jada Pinkett Smith, Mark Ruffalo, Bruce McGill, Javier Bardem, 2004 ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA IOULA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN

Criminal — American remake of the imitation-American caper film from Argentina, Nine Queens. No real inspiration, but no desecration, either. Doing it in English has the principal effect of making it sound more like Mamet. John C. Reilly, in specific, sounds like Joe Mantegna: close our eyes and see. With Diego Luna, Maggie Gvllenhaal, Peter Mullan; directed by

De-Lovely — Modernized biography of songwriter Cole Porter, digging up all the bisexuality that Night and Day in 1946 could not go near. Despite the theatrical device of reviewing his life as a musical show emceed by the Grim Reaper, it remains a rather banal backstage story, lacking much in the way of a focus or an angle, unswallowable as a Grand Romance, and chiefly of interest simply because its subject wrote a lot of memorable songs. These are performed in glorious abundance (by the likes of Elvis Costello, Diana Krall, Sheryl Crow, and Natalie Cole), and Kevin Kline clearly demonstrates his gratitude for so glamorous a role, without bubbling over into effusiveness. He has a particularly affecting farewell to his old friends near the end of the film, but the film then bashes ahead to a couple of more endings, less affecting. With Ashley Judd and Jonathan Pryce; directed by Irwin Winkler. 2004. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY)

The Door in the Floor — Tod Williams's adaptation of only a fraction of the John Irving novel, A Widow for One Year. That fractionalization may account for the slight feeling of aimlessness and lack of focus. The basic situation is tidy enough: an aspiring author in his junior year at Exeter comes for the summer to work as the personal assistant, mainly chauffeur, to a successful writer and illustrator of children's books and unsuccessful straight novelist. "I'm just an entertainer of children," is his practiced

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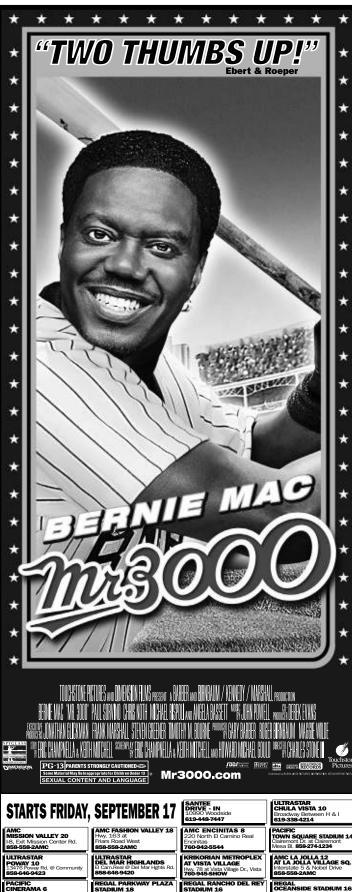
beach house is a shrine to his two dead sons, ex-students themselves at Exeter, and he keeps an apartment in town, alternating occupancy nightly with his estranged wife, allowing him ample freedom to chase the local skirts. The summer helper, for his part, cannot find adequate freedom even to masturbate, interrupted first by the husband when he's abusing himself over a black-andwhite photograph of the wife, and then by the wife herself when he's abusing himself over her bra and panties. But that second incident serves as the springboard for an older-woman-younger-man thing, a Summer of '42 thing. A four-year-old daughter, the protagonist of the complete novel, is not so much caught in the middle of all this as caught on the periphery. Our natural point of identification, our point of entry into the entire situation, would seem to be the adolescent outsider, but while well played in an awkward, withdrawn, cowed manner by Jon Foster, he has a hard time holding the screen, and sometimes gaining admittance to the screen, in the presence of the Great Artiste, who on the other hand is not so much to be identified with as made sport of, in his Lawrence of Arabia caftan, or in his Van Gogh straw hat, or uninhibitedly in the buff. Jeff Bridges does a nice job of shoring up his defenses and not tipping us off that he's in on the joke, except in one off-key episode of rollicking, romping comedy around the jilting of a well-heeled lover and the pick-up of prospective mother-and-daughter replacements. (The distinctively Irving punch line: just when Mom wants to know what sort of posing they'd be doing in his studio, a shredded sketch of the jilted lover's vagina lands face down on the car's windshield.) Kim Basinger, as the estranged wife and sexual initiator, holds a pivotal position but is too static and stationary a figure to command much interest: a pair of dark eyes in a pale face, almost a plaster mold with bottomless holes instead of eyes, a mask of tragedy. 2004 ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

line of humility, "and I like to draw." His

Evergreen - Drab little indie about an impoverished teenage girl who sets her cap for the overprivileged rich kid. Writerdirector Enid Zentelis extends her empathy all the way through to an impoverished imagination. Distributed to theaters on DVD rather than in cans of film, to ensure that it would look worse on the big screen than on the little: ashen, overcast, fogbound, with jumps and jerks in the flow of movement, Addie Land, Cara Sevmour Noah Fleiss, Gary Farmer, Mary Kay Place, Bruce Davison. 2004. ● (FASHION VALLEY 18: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Exorcist: The Beginning — Backstory on how Father Merrin — the old priest under the streetlamp — lost his faith in a Nazi concentration camp and regained it in a confrontation with a devil's agent at an archaeological dig in Kenya. An hour-and-





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three-quarter afterthought, it has all the standard disadvantages of prequels: it fails to advance the story; it adds nothing that needed to be said; it dampens the suspense it takes the edge off. Surely it would have done better to sever all ties to the Exorcist original: no Scandinavian cleric (opening the door to a more appealing leading man than the sotto voce Stellan Skarsgard); no greenface makeup and gravel-voiced ventriloquism; none of the disadvantages of prequels. The project would appear to have had enough going for it to have stood on its own. The idea — the image — of a church where there should not be a church, a Fifthcentury church in the wilds of East Africa, a buried church, a desecrated church, built on the spot where legend has it that Lucifer fell to earth, is well worth exploring, and it affords abundant justification before ever setting out. From that starting point, however, we are obliged, like Olympic gymnastics judges, to take deductions: for ugly special effects (the herky-jerky animated hyenas, the copycat sandstorm computer program handed down from The Mummy through Hidalgo, the maggoty stillborn infant, etc.), for monochromatic flashbacks (isn't it bad enough to borrow a plot device from Sophie's Choice without also borrowing the manner of presentation?), for monotonous monstrous closeups. Izabella Scorupco, James D'Arcy, Ben Cross; directed by Renny Harlin. 2004. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Fahrenheit 9/11 — Michael Moore's blistering critique of the Bush administration in toto and its War on Terror in particular (just in time for the 2004 presidential campaign, too) is at bottom a pair of devil's horns drawn on the head of Dubya. But if Moore were only making fun, he'd only be Leno or Letterman. He sees the big picture (sometimes too big to be easily grasped: the serpentine connections between the Bushes and the Saudis), and he sees also the little picture (the police infiltration of a middle class protest group calling itself Peace Fresno, or the bottle of breast milk stopped at an airport checkpoint). He often stoops to frivolity (a Dragnet montage to illustrate proper interrogation techniques, a couple of promo spots for at-home panic rooms and take-to-work parachutes, John Ashcroft's full-chested rendition of his self-composed "Let the Eagle Soar"); and at times he stretches himself to the utmost gravity (a mother's grief over the loss of her soldier son, grisly war footage you won't see on American television). The shifts in scale and in tone are as stimulating as they are startling. And finally, to secure the ties to his earlier work. Moore revisits the fear theme, or in other words the mind-control theme, from Bowling for Columbine, and inevitably he revisits his hometown of Flint, Michigan (see Roger and Me as well as Columbine), a prime spot for military recruiters to round up cannon fodder from among the unemployed. Moore himself — his rebellious rumpliness, his defiant untidiness, his cultivated slobbiness — is less on view in this one (though he is continuously in our ear in that singsongy, snide, sardonic tone of voice), and his relative scarcity on screen could even be seen as a shortcoming insofar as it signals a fall-off in original material and a heavier reliance on found footage. Found, that is, or scrounged or wheedled or donated. 2004. ★★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

Garden State — Small-screen actor Zach Braff, who also wrote and directed, as the most impassive sadsack this side of Dustin Hoffman in The Graduate: impassive amid the surrounding panic of a plane-crash dream scene; impassive in the sanatorium ambience of his bedroom, lying motionless on his back and listening to the news of his mother's death in a phone message from his father; impassive in the face of abuse from customers in his moonlighting job as a waiter at a Vietnamese restaurant. (Hard to picture him being as impassive in his other job: actor.) There turns out to be a medical. a medicinal, reason for his impassivity, but no such internal rationale arises for the nonstop assaults on the hero's, or the

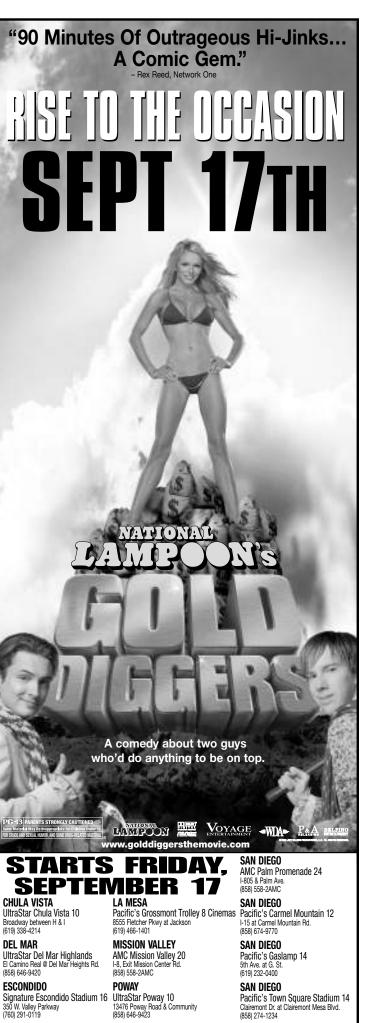
viewer's, sensitivities: the excessive vibrato of a Jewish funeral singer in a graveside rendition of "Once, Twice, Three Times a Lady," the knight-in-armor at the breakfast table, the guide dog who humps the hero's leg in the doctor's waiting room, the backyard pet cemetery. It goes on and on like that, an endless parade of embarrassments and bizarreries. The real, the external reason for this onslaught of oddities, photographed with a Diane Arbuslike bluntness, might be sought in the filmmaker's commonplace desire to be Wes Anderson. Another way to say the same thing, in broader terms, would be the filmmaker's dread of being dull and ordinary, notwithstanding his ostensible concern for ordinary people in a dull New Jersey suburb. The anticipation of the next little kink, the next little quirk, takes the place of story interest or character interest, a poor inducement to stay in your seat. Natalie Portman, Peter Sarsgaard, Ian Holm. 2004. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FLOWER HILL 4;

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Hero — Hugely expensive Chinese export, hugely profitable at home, clearly wants to

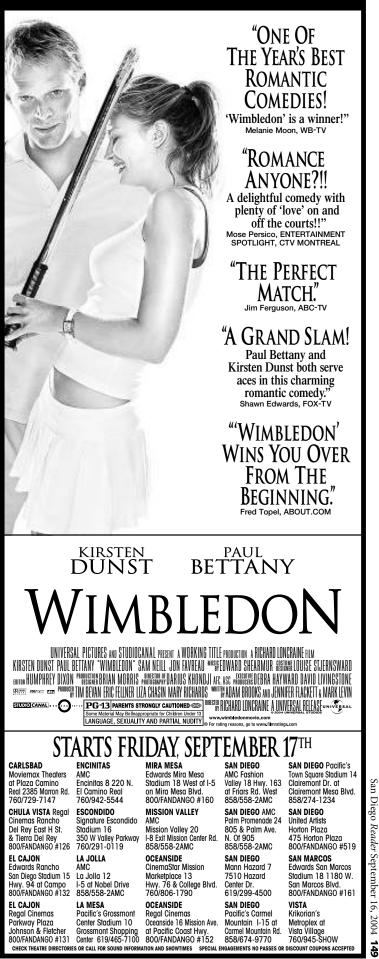
get in on some of that *Crouching Tiger*, *Hidden Dragon* action, that flying, floating, backflipping, corkscrewing, slow-motion martial-arts action, an ambition as unexpected from Zhang Yimou as it was from Ang Lee. The hero in question goes by the name of Nameless, a master swordsman who, by dispatching three assassins with prices on their heads, gains an audience with the ruthless ruler of Qin, architect of a plan to unite the seven warring states of ancient China, at whatever cost in human lives. How this hero came to dispatch the assassins — Long Sky, Flying Snow, Broken Sword — is told several times, each

successive version seemingly coming nearer the truth (and thereby diverging ever farther from Kurosawa's *Rashomon*), as well as coming nearer a state of spiritual enlightenment. On that path, the action fan will be asked to ponder the invalidity of violence and the nobility of sacrifice. But he will also be treated to the dream cast of Jet Li (working for a change with a real filmmaker), Maggie Cheung, Tony Leung, Zhang Ziyi, and Donnie Yen; and he will be regaled with anything-goes combat scenes that not only defy gravity but defy logic, suspense, and human interest to boot. The action — stylized and aestheticized to



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within, or beyond, an inch of its life — is staged in varied locales: in a gambling house dripping with rainwater, in a maelstrom of golden leaves, in the middle of a lake, in a spaghetti-Western bleached mountainscape; and it is outfitted in co-ordinated solidcolor uniforms of red, blue, white, green. For all the variety, there is something of a sameness about it; and the separate tellings of a single story tend to hammer home the feeling of repetitiveness. Zhang is without question a highly skilled professional, a crafter of well-composed, well-balanced, well-framed images; and his workmanship is a pleasure to watch. Even so, the touted "beauty" of the thing seems to a large degree

an illusion of splash and dash: the flapping fabric in the wind, the battalion of candles the locust clouds of arrows (reminiscent of Kurosawa's Ran), the geometrical masses of soldiers, the wonders of nature. The director's immediately preceding Happy Times arguably achieves a far greater beauty without recourse to scenery and spectacle. 2002.

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I, Robot — A travesty of the science fiction of Isaac Asimov, who pretty much wrote the

book on robots, and not only the book of this name, a seminal collection of short stories. Filmmaker Alex Proyas (The Crow, Dark City) retains Asimov's Three Laws of Robotics, and — from the novel The Naked Sun, second in a series of four - the lockedroom mystery of a roboticist's murder that may have been perpetrated, or at any rate not prevented, by one of his own robots, in clear contravention of the First Law. (To quote in full: "A robot may not injure a

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DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15 701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) **Alien vs. Predator** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15, 3:40) 6:00, 8:20, 10:40; Sun.-Thu. (1:15, 3:40) 7:25, 9:40; Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:50) 5:00, 7:35, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:50, 5:00) 7:35, 9:50; **Before Sunset** (R) Fri.-Sun. (2:55) 5:10, 7:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:55, 5:10) 7:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. Blind Swordsman: Zatoichi (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 4:10, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:10) 7:00, 9:35; The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:30) 5:25, 7:50, 10:20; Sun. (2:30) 5:25, 7:50, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:25) 7:50, 10:15; **The Cookout** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:05, 3:00) 5:15, 8:05, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:00, 5:15) 8:05, 10:10; **Dodgeball: A True Under**dog Story (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (3:45) 8:00; Exorcist: The Beginning (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:00) 5:40, 8:10, 10:50; Sun. (2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:35) 7:15, 10:05; **Fahren-**heit **9/11** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 3:50) 7:10, 9:45; **I, Robot** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:25) 5:40, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 5:40) 9:55; **Paparazzi** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:45) 5:05, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 5:05) 7:45, 10:00; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:40) 4:20, 7:05, 9:40; Mon.-Thu 1:40, 4:20) 7:05, 9:40; Riding Giants (PG-13) 9 Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:10) 5:20, 8:15, 10:35; Sun. (1:00, 3:10) 5:20, 7:40, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:40, 10:30; **Tae Guk Gi: The** Brotherhood of War (R) Fri.-Sun. (1:00) 4:15, 7:20, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:15) 7:20, 10:25; Vanity Fair (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:20)

- 4:25, 7:30, 10:30; Sun. (1:20) 4:25, 7:30, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:25) 7:30, 10:20; **Without a**
- Paddle (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:30) 5:50,
- Diego Pacific (13 15) 111. oat. (110, 5130) 5130,
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La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Iolla Drive (619-819-0236) Bright Young Things (R) Fri. (1:50, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; The Door in the Floor (R) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:10; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50; Mon (1:40, 4:20) 7:10, 9:50; Tue. (1:40, 4:20) 9:50; Wed.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:10, 9:50; **Mean** Creek (R) Fri. (1:30) 7:20; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 1:30, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:30) 7:20; She Hate Me (R) Fri.-Thu. (4:10) 9:35; Vanity Fair (PG-13) Fri (2:00, 5:00) 8:00: Sat -Si (11:00) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 5:00) 8:00

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Mann Hazard 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-574-7849) Cellular (PG-13) Fri. (12:40, 3:00, 5:10) 7:25, 9:45; Sat.-Thu. (12:40, 3:00, 5:10) 7:25, 9:45; **Collateral** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:00) 7:00; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 2:45, 5:00) 7:20, 9:55; Imagining Argentina (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40, 5:05) 7:45, 10:10; Intimate Strangers (R) Fri.-Thu. (4:15) 9:35; Resident **Evil:** Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:10, 5:25) 7:30, 9:50; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:50, 5:15) 7:40, 10:05; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:55, 5:20) 7:35, 10:00

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262) Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow; Mr. 3000; Wimbledon; Evergreen; I, Robot; Resident Evil: Apocalypse; Cellular; Pa-parazzi; Vanity Fair; The Cookout; Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid; Hero; Exorcist: The Beginning; Without a Paddle; Alien vs. Predator; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement; Col-lateral; Open Water; The Manchurian Candidate; The Bourne Supremacy

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8900) Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) Fri. (3:20) 5:35, 7:40, 10:00; Sat. (1:00, 3:20) 5:35, 7:40, 10:00; Sun. (1:00, 3:20) 5:35, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (3:20, 5:30) 7:35; **The Cook-out** (PG-13) Fri. (3:10) 5:15, 7:15, 9:20; Sat. (1:10, 3:10) 5:15, 7:15, 9:20; Sun. (1:10, 3:10) 5:15, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (3:50, 5:45) 7:40; **Exorcist: The Beginning** (R) Fri. (2:30) 4:55, 7:20, 9:50; Sat. (1:15, 3:40) 7:00, 9:45; Sun. (1:15, 3:40) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:25) 7:50; Mr. **3000** (PG-13) Fri. (3:00) 5:25, 7:50, 10:15; Sat. (12:30, 3:00) 5:25, 7:50, 10:15; Sun. (12:30, 3:00) 5:25, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:35) 8:00; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri. (2:50) 5:10, 7:20, 9:30; Sat. (12:45, 2:50) 5:10, 7:20, 9:30: Sun (12:45, 2:50) 5:10, 7:20: Mon (3:30, 5:40) 7:45; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri. (2:40) 5:00, 7:30, 9:55; Sat. (12:15, 2:40) 5:00, 7:30, 9:55; Sun. (12:15, 2:40) 5:00, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:40, 5:55) 8:10

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236) **The Brown Bunny** (Not Rated) Thu. (5:05) 7:25, 9:45; **Ghost in the Shell 2: Innocence** (PG-13) Fri. (5:30) 7:50, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (12:55) 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (5:30) 7:50, 10:10

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas 3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) Criminal (R) Fri. (2:10, 4:50) 7:35, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:35, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:50) 7:35, 9:55; Garden State (R) Fri. (1:55, 4:30) 7:10, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:55, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 4:30) 7:10, 9:50; Maria Full of Grace (R) Fri. (1:50, 4:35) 7:15, 9:35; Maint Full OF Orace (R) 11. (1:50, 4:35) 7:15, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 1:50, 4:35, 7:15, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:35) 7:15, 9:35: Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri. (2:05, 4:45) 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:25) 2:05, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Tue. (2:05, 4:45) 7:30, 10:00; Wed. (2:05, 4:45) 10:00; Thu. (2:05, 4:45) 7:30, 10:00; **Silver City** (R) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40

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LA MESA

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4:15, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:15) 7:10; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Sun. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:15, 5:30) 7:45; **The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement** (G) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:45) 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. (1:10, 3:45) 7:00; **Vanity Fair** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15) 4:10, 7:05, 10:05; Sun. (1:15) 4:10, 7:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 4:10) 7:05; **Wicker Park** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40) 4:30, 7:25, 9:55; Sun (1:40) 4:30, 7:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:30) 7:25

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CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214) **Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; **Cellular** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15, 10:45; **The Cookout** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 3:30, 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:45 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **National Lampoon's Gold Diggers** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45 (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; **Paparazzi** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:30) 7:00, 9:15; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (G) Fri.-Thu, 10:30 (1:00); Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Thu 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennery Road (858-558-2262) Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow; Mr. 3000; Wimbledon; National Lam-poon's Gold Diggers; Suspect Zero; Resident Evil: Apocalypse; Cellular; Ever-green; Wicker Park; Paparazzi; The

Cookout; Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid: Hero: Superbabies: Baby Ge-Biodo Orinio, Hero, Superstances, Daby Co niuses 2; Open Water; Exorcist: The Beginning; Without a Paddle; Alien vs. Predator; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement; Collateral; The Bourne Supremacy; Napoleon Dynamite; I, Robot

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street (619-216-4707) The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:00, 9:50; Cellular (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:35, 5:05) 7:45, 10:20; **Collateral** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:55, 4:30) 7:35, 10:30; **The Cook**out (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:50, 5:10) 7:40, 10:00; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 3:40) 7:10, 9:55; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 7:10, 9:53; Mi 2500 (PG-13) FRI-1111. (1:00, 3:55) 7:35, 10:25; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:15) 7:50, 10:10; Na-tional Lampoon's Gold Diggers (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:00) 7:20, 10:05; Pa-parazzi (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50) 7:15, 9:45; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal En-gagement (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:50); Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:25, 4:55, 12:30) 6:55, 7:55, 10:35; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 12:50, 3:25, 4:25) 7:00, 7:25, 9:40, 10:10; **Vanity Fair** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:35) 7:05, 10:15; **Wicker Park** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (3:30) 9:30; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:30) 7:20, 10:25; Without a Paddle (PG-13) Fri.-Thu, (12:40, 4:05) 7:30, 10:35

Vogue 226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436) The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 2:00, 8:00; Catwoman (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:00, 6:00; A Cinderella Story (PG) Fri.-Thu. 4.00. 10.00

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In 2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727) Call theater for program information

NORTH INLAND

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770) The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri. (2:30) 7:25; Sat. (2:00) 7:30; Sun. (2:10) 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:30) 7:20, 9:45; **Cellular** (PG-13) Fri. (12:20, 2:40) 5:10, 7:20, 9:35; Sat. (11:25, 1:40, 3:55) 7:15, 9:45; Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:05, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:30, 4:50) 7:30, 9:35; Collateral (R) Fri. (12:00) 5:05, 10:00; Sat. (11:40) 4:50, 10:05; Sun. (11:40) 4:40, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 4:50); **Dodgeball: A True** Underdog Story (PG-13) Fri. (1:00) 7:00; Sat. (11:10, 3:35) 8:10; Sun. (11:10, 3:35) 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00) 7:00; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri. (12:50, 3:00) 5:20, 7:45, 10:00; Sat. (12:10, 2:30) 4:50, 7:25, 9:55; Sun. (12:10, 2:25) 4:40, 7.15, 9.25; Mon - Thu (12.50, 3.00, 5.10) 7.20. 9:30; I, Robot (PG-13) Fri. (2:55) 8:55; Sat. (1:00) 5:30, 10:00; Sun. (1:00) 5:30, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:55) 8:55; **The Manchurian Candidate** (R) Fri. (12:10, 3:00) 7:30, 10:20; Sat. (11:00, 1:45) 4:30, 7:30, 10:20; Sun. (12:30, 3:30) 6:30, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:45) 6:20, 9:05; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:30) 5:55, 8:05, 10:25; Sat.-Sun (11:00, 1:25, 3:55) 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:25, 4:50) 7:10, 9:25; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri. (12:45, 2:55) 5:25, 7:25, 9:30; Sat. (11:20, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Sun. (11:20, 1:20, 3:20) 5:35, 7:40, 9:45: Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 2:50, 5:00) 7:25, 9:30; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri. (12:40, 2:50) 4:55, 7:15, 9:45; Sat. (12:00, 3:15) 5:30, 8:10, 10:30; Sun. (12:00, 2:15) 4:35, 7:25, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:35, 9:40; **Sky** Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri. (12:15, 2:45) 5:35, 8:00, 10:35; Sat. (11:05, 1:35) 4:25, 7:35, 10:00; Sun. (11:05, 1:35) 4:25, 7:15, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:25, 4:50) 7:15, 9:35; **Vanity Fair** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 3:20) 7:05, 10:05; Sat. (11:15, 2:30) 7:35, 10:25; Sun. (11:15, 2:30) 6:30, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 3:45) 6:35, 9:25; **Wimbledon** (PG-13) Fri. (12:00, 2:10) 5:00, 7:35, 10:15; Sat. (11:00, 1:20, 3:40) 5:50, 8:05, 10:30; Sun. (11:00, 1:20, 3:40)

7:05, 9:35; Mon.-Thu, (12:00, 2:10, 4:30) 7:10,

human being, or, through inaction, allow a human being to come to harm.") The film has done away, however, with the android cop partner who would continue through the entire tetralogy, even beyond the life span of the human partner, and has instead fixated on a Dirty Harryish lone-wolf detective who, from the outset, carries a boulder-sized chip on his shoulder: "Can a robot write a symphony? Can a robot turn a canvas into a beautiful masterpiece?" (These

are some of the concerns of an atavistic he-man in Converse high-tops in the Chicago of 2035.) Ensuing developments are more in line with the vision of the original literary inventor of robots, Karel Capek - a table-turning revolt of the slaves against their masters — in the stage play of 1920, *R.U.R.* (A play, by the way, that Asimov deplored.) In place of a bona fide sciencefiction classic, then, we get just another oneweek box-office wonder, another summer

showcase for the swaggering and "styling" of Will Smith, another state-of-the-art portfolio of computer-generated imagery, another wave after wave of overscaled action. The repeated sight of identical robots duplicated on screen ad infinitum someh seems to symbolize a very different and much more immediate threat to the future of humankind: the manufacture of interchangeable Hollywood blockbusters. Another and another and another and

another.... With Bridget Moynahan, Chi McBride, Bruce Greenwood. 2004. (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

The Manchurian Candidate — Jonathan Demme's ill-advised remake. The main point to be made about the 1962 original is that, with its historical co-ordinates of McCarthyism, the Cold War, and the Yellow Peril, it dates rather badly, and thus cries out

for a major overhaul. But while the John Frankenheimer version — positing a Right Wing political movement as a clever disguise for Chinese Communists - may have seemed ridiculous beyond repair, the remake demonstrates that even if the material could not be repaired, it could still be made more ridiculous: more sciencefictional, more nonsensical, yet more portentous and ponderous at the same time. The Korea of 1951 has now given way to the

3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Mon.-Thu, 10:15

Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)

The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:00, 5:05, 7:45, 10:15; Sun. 2:00, 5:20, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:05, 4:55, 7:40; Cellular (PG-13)

Fri.-Sat. 1:15, 4:05, 7:20, 9:45; Sun. 1:15, 4:40, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 2:15, 4:45, 7:30; **Hero**

(PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:40, 4:25, 7:50, 10:20; Sun. 1:40, 4:50, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. 2:00, 4:50, 7:50;

Mr. 3000 (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:15, 4:55, 7:35, 10:10; Sun. 2:15, 5:10, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. 2:35, 5:05, 7:45; **The Princess Diaries 2: Royal En**

gagement (G) Fri.-Sat. 1:30, 4:20, 7:05, 9:40; Sun. 1:30, 4:20, 7:05; Mon.-Thu. 1:50, 4:25, 7:10; Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Sat.

2:10, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00; Sun. 2:10, 5:00, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:25, 5:15, 8:00; **Sky Captain and**

the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri.-Sat. 1:20,

4:15, 7:10, 9:55; Sun. 1:20, 4:15, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:35, 7:20; **Wimbledon**

(PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:50, 4:35, 7:00, 9:30; Sun

1:50, 4:30, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:55, 4:15, 7:00

The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Fri. 12:00; **What the Bleep Do We Know?!** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00, 8:35; Sat.-Sun. 3:20, 6:00, 8:35; Mon.-Wed. 6:00, 8:35

6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga)

Cellular (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30, 3:00)

(12:45, 51:15) 5:45, 5:17, **Vaporent Dynamic** (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30; **Vanity Fair** (PG-13)

7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15,

Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 1:55, 4:35, 7:10, 9:50; **Cellular** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:55, 4:30,

7:05, 9:45; **The Cookout** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 2:10, 4:45, 7:10, 9:45; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 2:00, 4:50, 7:40, 10:30; **Mr**.

3000 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:20; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:05, 1:30, 4:05, 6:50, 9:50; **The Princess Di**-

11:05, 1:30, 4:05, 6:50, 9:50; The Princess Di-aries 2: Royal Engagement (G) Fri.-Thu. 11:05, 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:25; Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:40, 4:20, 4:50, 7:00, 7:30, 9:40, 10:10; Sky Captain and

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(PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:30, 2:10; **Wimbledon** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:10, 2:00, 4:40, 7:35,

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Oceanside 16

10:25; Without a Paddle (PG-13) Fri.-Thu.

Fri.-Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; Wimble-don (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15,

5:30, 8:00; Mr. 3000 (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; **Napoleon Dynamite**

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)

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Encinitas 8

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LA COSTA

La Costa 6

(760-599-8221)

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13

College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)

(12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Wimbledon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15;

9:40; Without a Paddle (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:25) 4:45, 7:00, 9:25; Sat. (12:20, 2:40) 5:00, 7:25, 9:50; Sun. (12:20, 2:30) 4:45, 6:55, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:15, 4:25) 6:35, 9:00

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Escondido 16 350 W. Vallev Parkwav (760-291-0119) Call theater for program information

Galaxy 6

5256 S Mission Road (760-945-8784) **Cellular** (PG-13) Fri. 2:15 (4:30) 7:00, 9:30; Sat. 10:00 (12:00, 2:15, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; Sun. 10:00 (12:00, 2:15, 4:30) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:15 (4:30) 7:00; **Mr. 3000** (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; **Napoleon Dyna**mite (PG) Fri. 2:30 (4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:30 (4:45) 7:15; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri. 3:30, 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sat. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sun. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. 3:30, 6:00, 8:30; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 10:45 (1:00, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:45 (1:00, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Wimbledon** (PG-13) Fri. 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 10:15; Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 10:15; Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:45, 5:15,

POWAY

Poway 10 13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) **Cellular** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu, 11:00 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00; Mr. 3000 (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; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:15; **Pa**parazzi (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, parazzi (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:30, 7:45; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:15, 12:45; Resident Evil: Apoca-lypse (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:15 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45: Sun.-Thu. 11:15 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Vanity Fair (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:30, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15)

7:30; Wimbledon (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; Without a Paddle (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:30 (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:30 (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00

RAMONA

Ramona Twin 626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

1180 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711) Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:30, 4:15) 7:05, (13) The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:25, 2:05, 4:40) 7:20, 10:00; Cellu-lar (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; **Collateral** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 4:45) 7:35, 10:25; **The Door in the Floor** (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:10) 7:10: Garden State (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:40, 4:25) 7:00, 9:55; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:15, 5:05) 7:45, 10:30; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:35, 5:00) 7:25, 9:45; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:20: National Lampoon's Gold Diggers (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:20, 4:40) 7:05, 9:30; **Paparazzi** (PG-13) Fri. (11:40, 4:50); Sat.-Thu. (11:40, 4:50) 9:45; **The Princess Diaries 2**: Roval Engagement (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 1:35, 4:35); **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri. (11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:15) 7:00, 7:50 10:05, 10:45; Sat. (11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:15) 7:00, 7:50, 10:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu (11:00, 12:00, 2:00, 3:00, 4:30, 5:15) 7:00, 7:50, 10:05, 10:45; Shaun of the Dead (R) Fri.

 $\begin{array}{l} 10:15; \mbox{Sky Captain and the World of To-morrow} (PG) \mbox{ Fri.-Thu.} (11:00, 11:50, 1:45, 2:30, 4:30, 5:15) \mbox{ 7:15}, 7:50, 10:00, 10:40; \mbox{Van-} \end{array}$ ity Fair (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 3:15) 6:50, 10:10; Wicker Park (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 7:15, 10:05; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 1:50, 4:35) 7:30, 10:35; **Without a Paddle** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:25, 4:55) 7:35, 10.10

VISTA

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NORTH COASTAL CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real 2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469) **Cellular** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20, 9:25; Sun. 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:10, 6:30, 8:45; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:20, 4:25, 6:45, 8:55; Sun. 12:00, 2:20, 4:25, 6:45, 8:55; Sun. 12:00, 2:20, 4:25, 6:45; Mon.-Thu. 2:10, 4:20, 6:45, 9:00; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri.-Sat. 11:45, 2:10, 4:35, 7:10, 9:35; Sun. 11:45, 2:10, 4:35, 7:10: Mon.-Thu, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:10; Sun, 12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:30, 3:45, 6:00, 8:10

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8 El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)

The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Sun 2:30, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:30, 5:15, 7:45; **Cellular** (PG-13) 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; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30; **Mr. 3000** (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; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri-Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00; Resident Evil: Apoca**lypse** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:30; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu, 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; SuperBabies: Baby Geniuses 2 (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:15); Without a Paddle (PG-13) Fri -Sun 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30. 10:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30 Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425) Garden State (R) Fri.-Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Vanity Fair (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; What the Bleep Do We Know?! (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 10:15 (12:45.

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Kuwait of 1991, and inasmuch as Muslims are not so notorious as the Communists as infiltrators and brainwashers, we will need a new villain. And here we have one: a warprofiteering Halliburton-like corporation inexplicably and inconceivably called Manchurian Global. One of the most withering remarks possible about a piece of

have already passed it by. And to suggest in this case that a Vice Presidential nominee might be a puppet of big business hardly removes us to the realm of science fiction. and hardly necessitates the intervention of behavior-controlling electronic implants in the brain and on the shoulder blade. We have already got a Vice President like that, and we have no reason to suppose he is acting on anything other than free will. Nor is the current President perceived to be so hostile to the next-in-line's ideology that only a sniper's bullet could clear the way.

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Denzel Washington, Liev Schreiber, Meryl Streep, Kimberly Elise, Jon Voight. 2004. • (LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20)

Maria Full of Grace — Banal tale of how a nice, pretty, pregnant, unmarried Colombiana becomes a mule for drug smugglers, flying to New Jersey with a bellyful of plastic-wrapped packets of white powder: Maria Full of Shit. Plenty of squalid details lend credibility, if not exactly freshness. With Catalina Sandino Moreno, Guilied Lopez, Yenny Paola Vega, and

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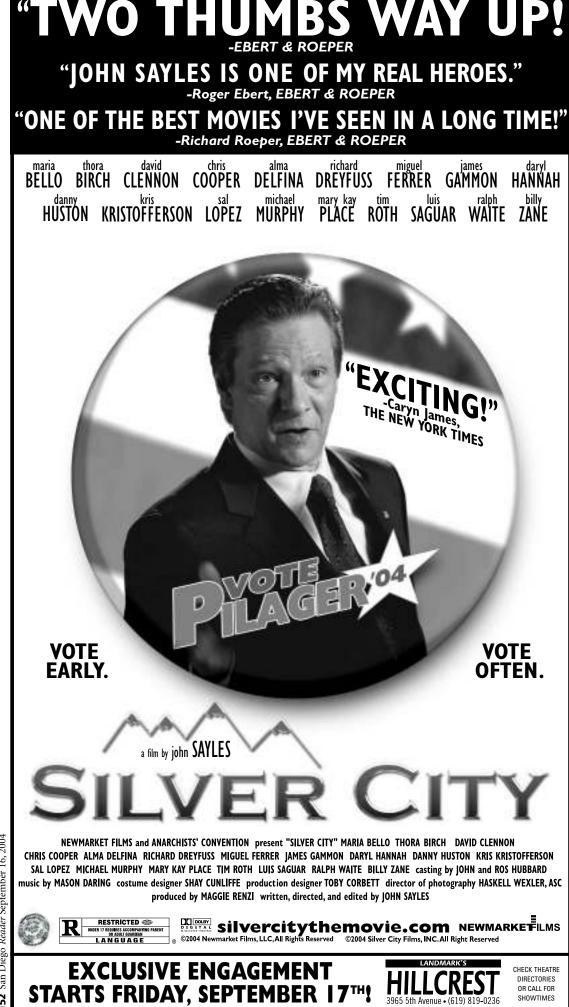
Patricia Rae; written and directed by Joshua Marston. 2004. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Mean Creek — Another head-in-hands contemplation of Kids These Days: a teenage revenge tale, written and directed by newcomer Jacob Aaron Estes, wherein a chubby middle-school bully gets lured into an ambush and takes worse punishment than planned. The kids — the bully, his whipping boy, a girl their own age, and three older boys - exhibit some humanity (the bully turns out to be a bit of a worrywart: "Are there any life jackets?") and even some morality ("You know, if we hurt him, we'd be just as bad as him"). This isn't, then, River's Edge, merely Creek's Edge. They do not, however, exhibit much common sense. The bully, when he realizes he's been duped, pugnaciously overplays his outrage; and the plotters, in the aftermath, literally dig themselves an unnecessary hole. The abysmal camcorder image that opens the

film, and that recurs intermittently throughout, makes one grateful for the simply subpar image that predominates. Rory Culkin, Josh Peck, Ryan Kelley, Scott Mechlowicz, Trevor Morgan, Carly Schroeder. 2004. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Mr. 3000 — Baseball comedy starring Bernie Mac and Angela Bassett, directed by Charles Stone III. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: GALAXY 6: GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13: MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15: SAN MARCOS 18: TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 9/17)

Napoleon Dynamite — A catchy name for a movie, but not a name that fits its owner: the nerd of nerds at Preston High in



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podunk Idaho, a misfit for much more than just his name. Sporting a tumbleweed of kinky blond hair atop his gangly slopeshouldered frame, breathing through a troutlike open mouth, speaking in a monotone by turns belligerent and resentful, peering out at the world through half-closed eves and an oversized pair of aviator glasses, he is almost an Expressionistic caricature of adolescent discomfort. And the unknown actor, Jon Heder, gives not so much a performance as a mere presentation: here I am, like it or lump it. His unfamiliarity (is he really like that?) harmonizes beautifully with his many discomforts: his clumsiness with the opposite sex ("I see you're drinking one-percent. Is that 'cause you think you're fat?"), his mortification over his closest relatives (an older brother involved in an Internet courtship, an uncle pathologically nostalgic for his footballing heyday in the Eighties: "It's a time machine, Napoleon. We bought it on-line"), his bond of alienation with the only Latino in his class, his favorite pastime of solo tetherball. The clever credits sequence, composed of unappetizing plates of food and assorted other mundanities (a Chapstick, a library check-out card, and so on), correctly forecasts the relentless quirkiness of the film, a feel-odd comedy that takes a hard turn at the end toward a

feel-good comedy (not without adequate preparation: a closed-door practice session in which the hero "gets his groove on" with a dance-instruction video found at a thrift shop). The equally unknown director, Jared Hess, whom we might like to imagine got to know his star by way of alphabetical seating in Study Hall, would appear to have undergone some sort of artistic epiphany while watching a Wes Anderson film: flat, squared-up images, dealt out in a kind of hammer-and-anvil rhythm. The consistency of it all, not just the rhythm but the tone, is ultimately persuasive. The viewer is given plenty of time to attune, to adjust, to acclimate. He is given no special inducement. Jon Gries, Aaron Ruell, Efren Ramirez, Tina Majorino. 2004.

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Open Water — An island getaway gets serious: two amorous scuba divers are abandoned for plausible reasons by a Caribbean pleasure boat (another diver goes back in the water with the requisite "buddy" and throws off the head count), and they're left literally swimming with sharks. Digitalvideo shoestringer works efficiently within very limited means, though even at an hour and a quarter it feels padded. With Ryan Blanchard and Daniel Travis; written and directed by Chris Kentis. 2004. ★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; PAIM PROMENADE 24)

Paparazzi — Third-rate thriller about the revenge of a Hollywood action star called Bo Laramie (overnight sensation of Adrenaline Force) on the bottom-feeding photojournalists who have made his life a living hell. The continual name-dropping (Clooney, Lopez, Kidman, Baldwin) and the big-name cameo appearances (Mel Gibson, who co-produced, Chris Rock, Vince Vaughn, Matthew McConaughey) only underscore the straight-to-video caliber of the cast: Cole Hauser, Tom Sizemore, Dennis Farina, Robin Tunney, Daniel (not Alec) Baldwin. Directed by Paul Abascal. 2004.

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The Princess Diaries 2: Royal

Engagement — Princess Mia, now age twenty-one, must forfeit the throne, according to an obscure bit of Genovian fine print, if she isn't married within a month. A forced-march sequel, in a creative desert. With Anne Hathaway, Julie Andrews, Hector Elizondo, John Rhys-Davies, Chris Pine, and Heather Matarazzo; directed by Garry Marshall. 2004. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SOLIARE 14)

Resident Evil: Apocalypse — Videogame action sequel with Milla Jovovich, directed by Alexander Witt. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; 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)

Riding Giants — Pedestrian surf film, pieced together of archival footage and present-day talking heads, in salute to the pioneers of wave-riding. ("It was George Downing who carved the mold from which all other big-wave riders were cast," etc.) The earlier pioneers, pre-*Gidget*, are more credible as pioneers, and their photo documentation has more charm. Directed by Stacy Peralta. 2004. ★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 9/16)

She Hate Me — From Spike Lee, two movies in one, the first concerned with a whistle-blower who exposes insider trading, among other malpractices, at a major pharmaceutical company (experimenting on an anti-AIDS pill, for added combustibility), and the second concerned with an interactive sperm donor for a virtual Rainbow Coalition of maternalistic lesbians (high quotient of pulchritude among them: Monica Bellucci, Kerry Washington, Dania Ramirez, Bai Ling, Sarita Choudhury, et al.), servicing them at the studly rate of five, six,

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seven per night, \$10,000 a pop, less a tenpercent finder's fee for his formerly heterosexual former girlfriend. The whistleblower and the sperm donor are of course one and the same man (Anthony Mackie), and he is pressed to reconcile the two roles once the movie has limped, crawled, souirmed to its climax in front of a Capitol Hill investigatory committee. Along the way, Lee makes room for an historical aside on the remotely parallel case of Frank Wills, the black security guard who found the telltale masking tape at the Watergate break-in, plus an elementary re-cap of the entire affair for younger viewers who might be a bit hazy on antiquity. Lee can perhaps count on some automatic support from those on the same side of the political fence; and the opening credits over rippling, billowing dollar bills of various denominations arouse some hope, some sympathy, some genuine enthusiasm, even before we get to the capper: a portrait of George W. Bush on a three-dollar bill, stamped with the Enron corporate logo. Yet the filmmaker proves, not for the first time, to be a surprisingly ineffective provocateur, hampered here by vapid dialogue, intrusive background music (Terence Blanchard's squealing trumpet), and an ineptly grafted plot whose two halves tend to nullify one another: a fish in Air Jordans. With John Turturro, Jim Brown, Ellen Barkin, Woody Harrelson, Q-Tip. 2004.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 9/16; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 9/17)

Silver City — John Sayles mixes politics and homicide, with Chris Cooper, Maria Bello, Thora Birch, Richard Dreyfuss, Kris Kristofferson. (HILLCREST CINEMAS. FROM 9/17)

Sky Captain and the World of

Tomorrow — Juvenile yet antiquarian adventure yarn, a pastiche of 1930s science fiction and Saturday-matinee serials, a more or less black-and-white film with just a blush of color, a blend of antecedents as diverse as Max Fleischer's Superman cartoons, Spielberg's Indiana Jones series, Lars von Trier's Zentropa, Prince's Under the Cherry Moon. Shot entirely (so they claim) in front of a "blue screen," with backgrounds filled in later by computer, it evokes the studiobound filmmaking of the era; and it unmistakably has the air of a Personal Artistic Vision, a sharing of a private enthusiasm, that of first-time director and writer Kerry Conran: often interesting to look at, if a tad static; more like poster art than like an actual motion picture. And the purposely naive doomsday storyline doesn't carry much interest. With Gwyneth Paltrow, Jude Law, Angelina Jolie, Giovanni Ribisi, Michael Gambon 2004

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Suspect Zero — Serial-killer thriller about (brace vourself) a serial killer of serial killers. That's not some figure of speech synonymous with the serial killer's serial killer, or the serial killer to beat all serial killers, or the mother of all serial killers, or some such. It means literally that he serially kills other serial killers, able to track them down ahead of the FBI (Aaron Eckhart and Carrie-Anne Moss on the case) through his psychic endowment of "remote viewing." The opening scene suggests in addition a physical superpower of passing through solid objects or appearing in two places at once, but that seems to be, in the final analysis, a trick of editing. E. Elias Merhige, the director of the little indie, Shadow of the Vampire, throws in enough shadow play, enough off-kilter camerawork, enough fragmenting closeups, not to mention enough Edvard Munch-ian charcoal







sketches, to verify that his interest in Expressionism was not just a passing fancy; and the eggshell-domed, eagle-beaked, elephant-eared Ben Kingsley, as will escape no one's notice, is the nearest human being to Nosferatu. All of this pretentiousness is not enough to conceal the silliness, only enough to spoil any fun. 2004. • (HORTON PLAZA 14; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Taegukgi: The Brotherhood of War -Big, ambitious, commercial combat film from South Korea: two brothers thrown in the path of the Communist invasion of 1950. An Asian Saving Private Ryan, right down to the shaky long-lens battle footage, but without the slickness: schmaltzy, gory, and crude. Directed by Kang Je-gyu. 2003. (GASLAMP 15: MIRA MESA 18)

Vanity Fair - Not, please be advised, a throbbing exposé of life at a trendy New

York monthly, but just the latest screen treatment of the William Makepeace Thackeray warhorse, a grand-scale pageant of class, snobbery, and hypocrisy in early 19th-century England. As Classics Illustrated go, the illustrations are supremely fussy, cluttered, glutted; and the Bhubaneshwarborn director, Mira Nair, manages to bring out more Indian flavors than you would have thought possible or desirable. The large cast displays that familiar, team-oriented British proficiency, excepting only Reese Witherspoon, the lone Yank, lightly accented, and proficient in a more sharklike way, as the resilient Becky Sharp, the undeniable heroine of this "novel without a hero." Of the rest — Jim Broadbent, Bob Hoskins, Gabriel Byrne, Romola Garai, James Purefoy, Jonathan Rhys-Meyers, and others - Eileen Atkins in particular does some delightful work with some delightful lines ("I had thought she was a social climber. I see now she's a mountaineer!"), and Rhys Ifans is quite touching as the doggishly loyal Dobbin. It would be no small feat, however, to extract a strong narrative

line from the seven or eight hundred pages

of the book, and the feat of the filmmakers is

indeed a small one. Years pass, matches are made, births and deaths occur, and the social climb is long and slow and not always uphill. In the course of time (two and a quarter hours), the show goes by, though not without a silent wish for someone to crack the whip. 2004. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18: FLOWER HILL 4: GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18: TOWN SOUARE 14: VISTA VILLAGE)

The Village — Writer-director M. Night Shyamalan painted himself into a corner with The Sixth Sense, and has climbed the walls ever since: Unbreakable, Signs, and now this. His outsized initial success seems to have given him an inflated sense of selfimportance, an inflamed sense of mission: not simply to top the sensationalism but simultaneously to deepen the spirituality. All of which, on the plus side, grants him unusual license to take chances, take pains, take time. His films invariably have a great intensity and a grim mood. The flip side, though, is that they tend to be slow, overextended, and overly dependent on the element of surprise. When the final surprise falls short, as almost inevitably it must, the entire film crumbles to nothing. This one, a fable of fear, an allegory of innocence vs. corruption, centers on a community of Amish-like isolation and austerity, surrounded by a dark forest inhabited by "those we don't speak of," and never, on any account, to be entered by the villagers. If "we" don't go into "their" woods, "they" will stay out of "our" valley. There would be no film if the truce could last for the duration. Among the assets, prior to the inevitable crumbling, are some effective sound effects of cracking and rustling in the forest, and atmospheric photography by Roger Deakins, and a creditable acting debut by Bryce Dallas Howard, daughter of Ron Howard, far less affected than such co-stars as Joaquin Phoenix, Adrien Brody, William Hurt him especially - and Sigourney Weaver. But the preferable showcase would have been a Twilight Zone half-hour or at most an Outer Limits hour: brief and ephemeral. That way, no one could "spoil" the surprise beforehand, and everyone who cared to watch it could talk it over in the lunchroom

the next day. 2004. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

What the Bleep Do We Know? —

Essentially an old-fashioned classroom film presented (at a price) in theaters: a team of scientists and scholars, with heavy grounding in quantum physics, take turns explaining how the brain shapes reality. Illustration comes from computer cartoons on a par with TV ads for household cleaners, and a live-action Marlee Matlin in an underdeveloped fiction. It's interesting material, but it's not a movie. See Alain Resnais's Mon Oncle d'Amerique for a better model. Directed by William Arntz, Betsy Chasse, Mark Vicente. 2004. • (FLOWER HILL 4; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA PALOMA)

Wicker Park — Confusing diagram of a romantic quadrangle. So snarled in its delineation — shifting points of view, shuffled time sequence, reprised scenes to border on indecipherable. Based on a little-seen French film by Gilles Mimouni, L'Appartement. With Josh Hartnett, Diane Kruger, Rose Byrne, and Matthew Lillard; directed by Paul McGuigan. 2004. ● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; PALM PROMENADE 24: RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Wimbledon — Tennis courtship. An overthe-hill Brit in the men's bracket (ranked 119th in the world, down from a high of eleventh) meets and mates with a rising American on the women's side, and gains the confidence to make a final run at a Grand Slam title. Not much sense of reality in either the relationship or the sport (the animated tennis ball is no help), despite the authentic backdrop of the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, and the participation of John McEnroe, Chris Evert, and Mary Carillo as commentators. The unaggressive charm of Paul Bettany fends off obnoxiousness. With Kirsten Dunst, Sam Neill, Bernard Hill, Eleanor Bron, Jon Favreau; directed by Richard Loncraine. 2004.

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Without a Paddle — Three boyhood pals, facing their mortality at thirty, head out on a treasure hunt for the lost loot of D.B. Cooper. Or at least a hunt for low comedy: city slickers in the backwoods. They find a lot of the least. With Seth Green, Matthew Lillard, Dax Shepard, and Burt Reynolds; directed by Steven Brill. 2004. • (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Zatoichi — Takeshi Kitano's resuscitation of the sightless samurai from the longrunning action series of the Sixties into the Seventies. Kitano's blind swordsman - or, in his acting persona, Beat Takeshi's blind swordsman — is also a blond swordsman, and only the devotee will know whether the surprise revelation at the end is sanctioned by tradition. Otherwise, the treatment is as respectful as necessary for so unswallowable a premise. (One note of inanity creeps into it when one of the characters wonders aloud about the mysterious stranger, deep into the body count: "Could he be Zatoichi?" How many blind swordsmen, for God's sake, are afoot in feudal Japan?) The quicker-than-the-eye and gushier-than-a-fireplug swordplay is invariably invigorating, but there is nothing much to fill up the time in between exhibitions of it: our hero, passing himself off as a humble masseur, wanders into the midst of a turf war à la Yojimbo, and the "story," interspersed with momentumkilling flashbacks, consists of whittling down the two sides. All of this is done with Kitano's precision technique, his spareness, his steadiness — qualities powerless to deliver a kick to the stagnation. The Riverdance-like finale could be counted a plus only by the predisposed. 2003. ★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 9/16)



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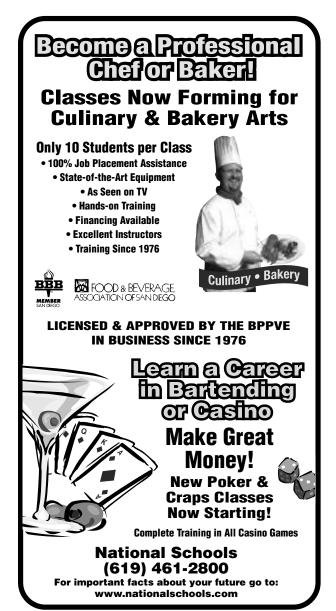
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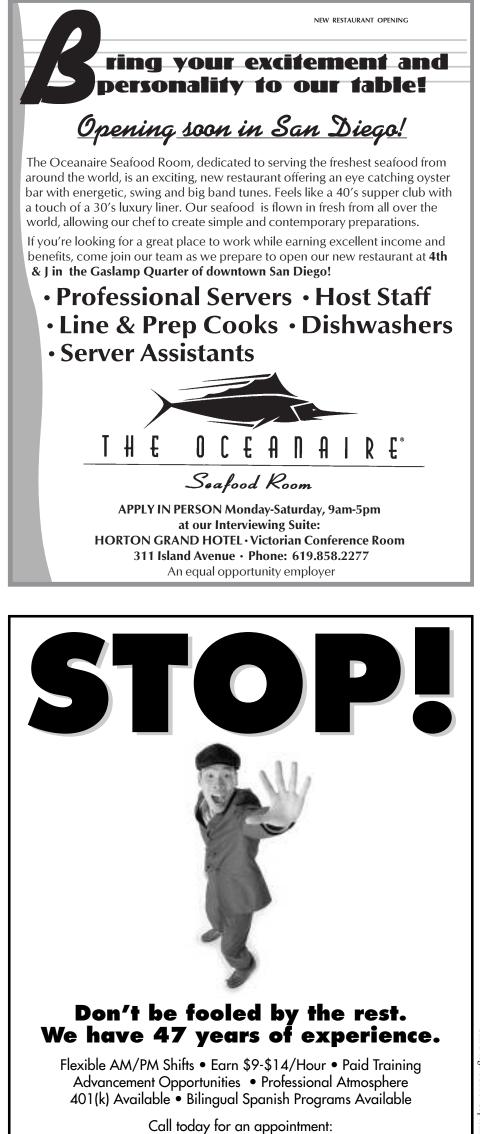
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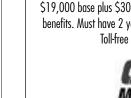
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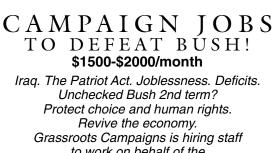
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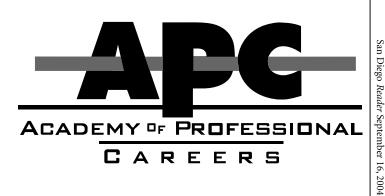
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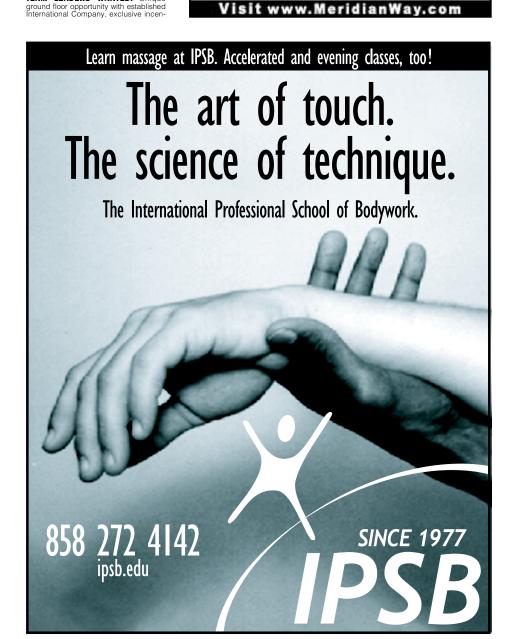
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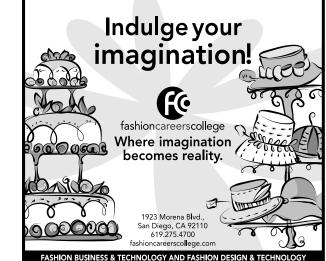
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Rory Jones Student La Jolla

would have to bring my best friend; I've known her since we were in the fourth grade. But now that I think about it, I'd rather bring Johnny Depp and Orlando Bloom because they're both pirates and they could teach me how to be a pirate. When they'd make me a pirate, we could go out and look for treasure so that I would be rich and hang out with two good-looking guys. I wouldn't feel bad [for] not bringing my best friend, but she would understand why I'd bring Johnny and Orlando.



Alexandra Stevens Student La Jolla

I'd want to bring cool guys with me to the island. I wouldn't take Tom Cruise; he's too old. I think I'd bring Bam Margera, the professional skateboarder and star of MTV's Viva La Bam. Bam would be good for entertainment: he'd make a skateboard out of coconut shells or something. I don't think I could be on an island without ice cream and my dog. If I had to decide between ice cream and my dog, I'd choose my dog. With Bam and my dog, I could be happy.



Justin MulliganPersonal Trainer La Jolla

n a deserted island, I'd bring OBritney Spears and Arnold Schwarzenegger. Arnold's my idol; we could train all day, and Britney could train with us if she wanted. It'd be a tough call because Arnold would be a tough competition for Britney's attention; back in the day, Arnold mentioned things like orgies in the gym, but I wouldn't be down for sharing Britney. Arnold would be my mentor; he'd create workouts for me to do in the trees, running along the beach, or lifting big boulders. I imagine it'd be like those strongman competitions on the set of *Predator*. Britney could just lie on the beach all day...naked, if she

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way that I'd want to part with my daughter for any amount of time. My

wife and I have been married for

three years; with my job, we haven't

had a chance to take a vacation and

spend some alone time. In a sense

we're looking for a deserted island

where we could vacation. On the island, I'd enjoy doing nothing. I'm

an explorer at heart, so we'd prob-ably hike around the island, through

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Hawaii after we got married, and

we loved exploring



Megan Delong Car Enthusiast Bay Park

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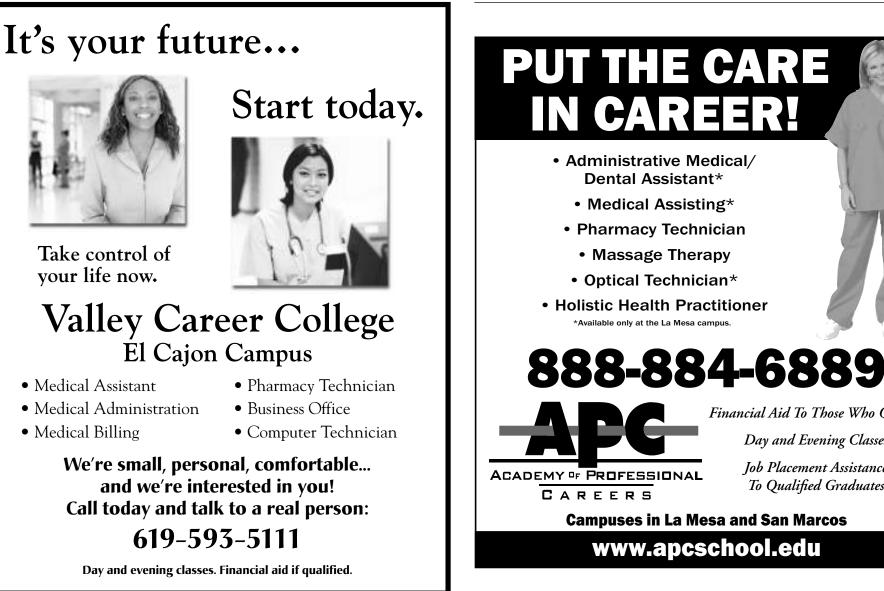
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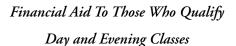
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31. Atlanta-based cable station

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44. Get an ____ (ace)45. Do-over at Wimbledon

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36. July 4, e.g.: Abbr.

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61. Assn.

63. "Oy _____

52. "To ____ human ..." 53. Succulent

54. Stan's partner in comedy 55. Red roots in the garden

38. Blue

42. Limit

32. Skylit lobbies

Across 1. Dame Smith of the Harry Potter movies Rx writers

- 10. What you pay
- 14. Maritime menaces of WWII 15. "On the double!"
- __ mouse!" 16.
- 10. _____ mouse:
 17. Shipwrecked Defoe character
 18. 1949 Tracy/Hepburn film
- 20. Pitcher Nomo 21. Actress Vardalos
- 22. Seafood restaurant entree
- 29. Where Columbus was born
- 30. Counter offer? 32. What Hamlet says right after
- "To sleep, perchance to dream"
- 38. Ogle
- 39. Bradley and Epps
- 40. Peg leg, e.g. 46. Go out
- 47. Hiawatha's craft
- 48. Like Homer Simpson at the nuclear plant, often
- 56. Long in the tooth
- 57. As ____ (generally)
 58. Path of direct progress (or the path of 18-, 22-, 32-, 40- and 48-Across)
- 63. Hairy-chested
- 64. Opera that premiered in Cairo
- 65. Period
- 66. Bring forth 67. Microsoft product introduced
- in 2001
- 68. FBI employee 69. Enthusiastic approval

Down

1. A lot in Acapulco

- 2. Month after Marzo
- 3. Red-coated cheese
- 4. Some are inert the scenic route"
- 6. WNW's opposite
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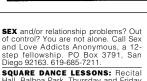
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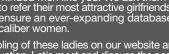
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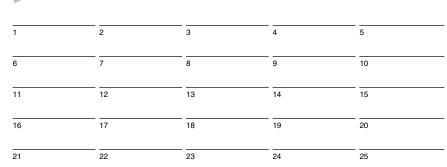
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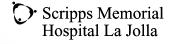
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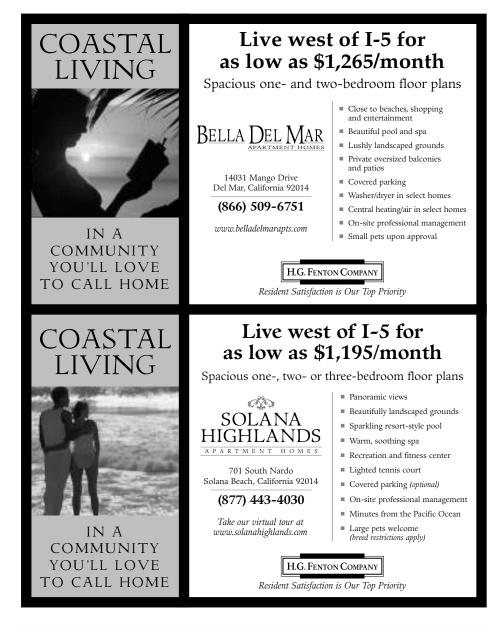
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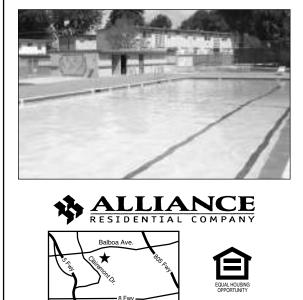
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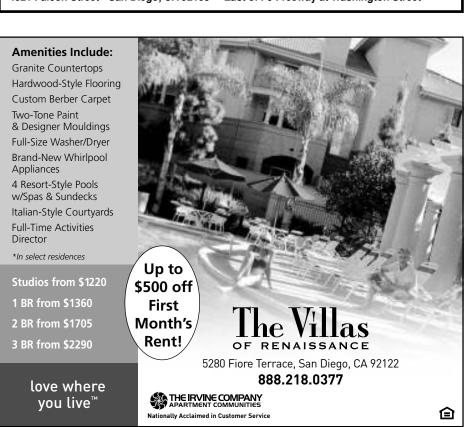
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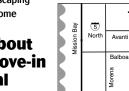


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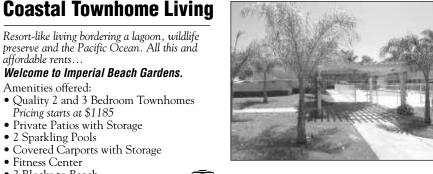
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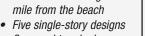
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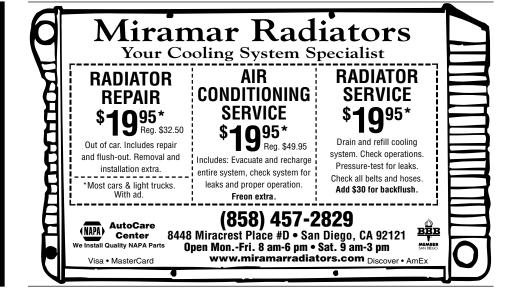
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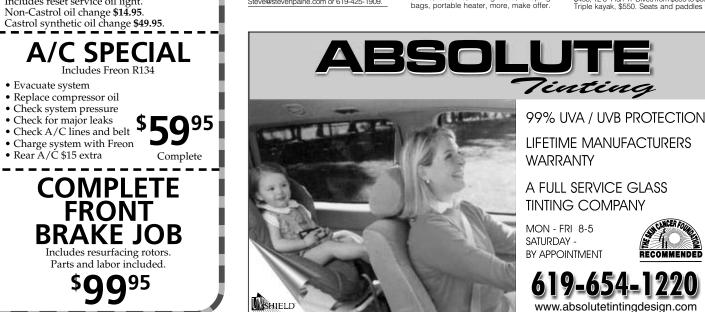
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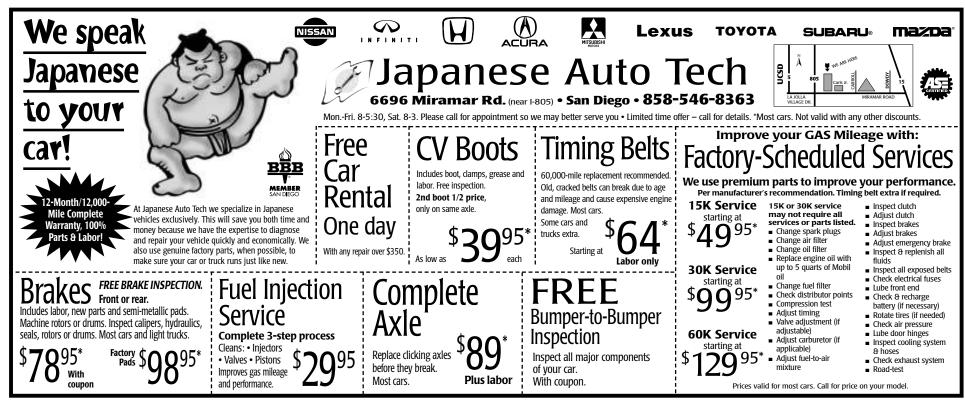
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LEAD STORY

Among the reality-TV series being batted around in London, according to recent reports in the Daily Telegraph and The Independent, is Make Me a Mum, in which a woman reduces a field of men to the two whom she believes will make her the genetically best offspring. At that point, producers will inseminate the woman with sperm from both men and, using intravaginal micro technology, will attempt to record a "race" to see which sperm gets to the egg first. Said Remy Blumenfeld, the creative director for the Brighter Pictures production house, "[This show is] much more about the rule of science than the rules of attraction.'

More News That Sounds Like a Joke

 British surfboard designer Jools Matthews, working with Intel Corp., built an Internet-ready surfboard with an 80-gigabyte, wireless laptop, powered by solar panels and housing a video camera, for exhibition in June in Devon, England. The waterproofed circuitry adds about five pounds to the nine-foot-long board and is placed so as to retain a surfer's balance points.

 A commander at a military conscription unit in Finland told reporters in August that some men were discharged shortly after enlisting because they had become "addicted" to the Internet and longed for their computers. Said the official. Ivrki Kivela: "For people who play [Internet] games all night and don't have any friends, don't have any hobbies, to come into the army is a very big shock. All males are required to serve at least six months in the military, but about 20 percent get exempted.

Leading Economic Indicators

 McDonald's franchisees in Cape Girardeau. Mo., Brainerd, Minn., and Norwood, Mass., recently began outsourcing their drive-through order-taking to a call center in Colorado Springs, Colo. Thus, a Big Mac order shouted into a microphone in Missouri gets typed into a computer in Colorado (and a digital photograph of the customer's car is taken in order to reduce errors) and then clicked back to the originating

restaurant's kitchen, which has the order ready in less time (30 seconds less, on average, with fewer errors) than the average McDonald's takes. A recent econometric study of "happiness" by professors David Blanchflower (Dartmouth College) and Andrew Oswald (Warwick University, England) found that a successful marriage brings such a level of joy that those without it would need an additional \$100,000 to compensate. They conclude: money can buy happiness (but each unit of it is expensive); increasing the frequency of sex from monthly to at least weekly brings the same happiness as a \$50,000 raise; and those who must buy their sex are the least happy of all.

Punk Science

 A U.S. Army laboratory in Natick, Mass., has developed a lightweight dried-food meal that can be safely hydrated by adding virtually any kind of liquid, from dirty swampwater to a soldier's own urine, according to a July report in New Scientist. A membrane with ultra-tiny gaps allows only water molecules to pass, filtering out "99.9" percent of any bacteria and most chemicals. While urine will theoretically work in a pinch, the developers discourage its use since urea is not blocked and will build up in the kidneys over time. Least Competent Animals: Police in Yuba City, Calif., responded to a motorist's call and freed a chicken that had flown into a car and become tangled in its windshield wipers (August). ... A black bear drowned in the Susquehanna River in Pennsylvania after he resisted several attempts by Samaritans to remove the plastic jar that had become stuck on his head after he had raided a camper's food supply (July). ... Organizers of a 93-mile homing-pigeon race between the Swedish cities of Ljungby and Malmo let 2000 go on a day, but only 500 found their way home (July).

People Different From Us

- The Gentle Wind Project of Kittery, Maine, was recently in the news for filing a federal lawsuit against a couple who had allegedly slandered the group with claims of mind control and child neglect, among other charges. According to a

Gentle Wind spokesperson, each human lives inside an energy field 8 to 10 feet high, 4 to 6 feet wide, which sometimes gets damaged and must be repaired. Its "healing instruments" are just the tools to do that, bringing good health, based on "20 years" of research. For example, its "Puck Puck" (which resembles several tuning forks) is said to bring relief from high blood pressure, arthritis, migraines, ulcers, and chronic fatigue to those who merely hold them, and it has even been known to help people "forgive." On the other hand, wrote the spokesperson, "We're not New Age wackos."

Unclear on the Concept

- A New Hampshire judge was suspended and the state's attorney general resigned amid allegations of sexual misconduct stemming from their after-hours behavior (in separate incidents) at the same conference, which had been called in May as a workshop on preventing sexual and domestic abuse. Five women complained of being groped by Judge Franklin C. Jones, 55, and one woman complained that attorney general Peter Heed had touched her inappropriately on the dance floor. The local prosecutor later said there was not enough evidence to file a criminal charge against Heed.

Almost All True

- Three of these four things really happened recently. Are you cynical enough to figure out the made-up story? (a) A high school principal in Boston was admonished by the school board for trying to shut down football practice as violating the school's new "zero tolerance" rule for violence. (b) Hong Kong's mainstream press reported that a lonely widower in Beijing was found to have, as "pets," 200,000 cockroaches in his home. (c) A 17-year-old boy in New Haven, Conn., arranged for a friend to shoot him in the leg, later explaining that he didn't want to be sent to Iraq and thus was scheming to avoid the "draft." (d) A 47-year-old woman in Lumberton, N.C., was charged with animal cruelty for giving pap smears to her Boston terrier. (Answer at end of column.)

Least Competent Criminals

 More Unprofitable Counterfeiting: Japanese police have made no arrests in connection with a flurry of counterfeit 1000-yen notes that keep turning up in vending machines in Saitama Prefecture north of Tokyo. In each one, a real 1000yen note is cannibalized to supply a key part of the bogus note. Similarly, in Calgary, Alberta, in July, Jason James Cremer was fined about \$800 for passing a set of counterfeit \$20 bills that he made by removing the optical security devices from real \$20 bills and inserting them onto his bogus ones. He discarded the remnants of the real bills, believing them then worthless (which police said was not true).

Recurring Themes

- More Clumsy Gunmen: Drew Patterson, 27, getting his .22-caliber pistol ready after news got out of an escaped fugitive in the area, stuck the gun into the waistband of his trousers and accidentally shot himself in the buttocks (Bristow, Okla., August). ... David Walker, 28, carrying his shotgun back into a pub to settle an argument over whose turn it was to buy, accidentally shot himself in the scrotum and then in July was sentenced to five years in prison for illegal possession of the shotgun (The Crescent, Dinnington, England).

Readers' Choice

- In August in a camping area of Baker Lake, Wash., Fish and Wildlife agents found a black bear passed out amid three dozen empty (clawedand bitten-open) cans of locally brewed Rainier Beer. "And [the bear] definitely had a preference," said an officer, noting that only one can of Busch beer had been drunk, though many unopened ones were nearby.

Answer to Almost All True: (b), (c), and (d) are true.

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IDENTITY THEFT

Location: [8600] Cetus Road, Mira Mesa Time/Date: various times from 4/24/04-8/29/04

Report: While working Northeastern Division, I spoke with Catherine C. who told me unknown person(s) obtained her personal identifying information without



authorization and used the information to obtain, or attempt to obtain, food items as well as

cash from Domino's Pizza and a check cashing facility. C. discovered her identity was compromised from Union Bank of California, that notified her of the fraud.

FORGERY/COMMERCIAL ROBBERY

Location: [5000] Federal Boulevard, Emerald Hills Time/Date: 9:45 a.m. on 8/23/04

Investigation: I was dispatched to USA Checks Cashed to investigate a report of a subject wanting to cash a fraudulent check. Upon arrival, I saw a male wearing a white shirt and black pants standing in front of the busi-



ness. I walked up to the subject and the clerk/reporting party was pointing at the same subject. I

detained the male for further investigation. The male was identified as Anthony B. I told B. that the clerk thought there was a problem with the check. B. then said, "Why is there a problem with me? Somebody else wrote the check to me.'

The clerk stated that B. had come in the previous night trying to cash the same check. The clerk was unable to verify the status of the check at the time and suggested B. come back the following day. The check was in the amount of \$25,900 and had a company name on it.

The company is based out of Michigan, I telephoned Gladys L. in Accounts Payable [and she] confirmed that the check had been altered. I arrested B. for possession and attempting to cash a counterfeit check, forgery and commercial burglary.

Witness Statement: Our

accounts payable department issued the check. The original amount of the check was \$6,000. The check that was faxed over to us had the check number and the bank code at the bottom. However, the signature was fraudulent and our company logo was not on the check.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY

Location: [2600] Worden Street (alley), Point Loma Time/Date: 12:10 p.m. on 8/24/04



Investigation: S., who was at his home with L. and T., received a phone call from his friend F. F. wanted S. to return his Game Boy cartridge. F. wanted to smoke a cigarette so he did not go to S.'s home. They agreed to meet in the alley near S.'s residence. S., L., and T. left to meet with F.

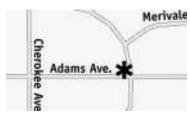
As they entered the alley, they saw F. sitting on a bench with his head bowed and his face in his hands. S. saw what he believed to be blood coming from F.'s nose or mouth. Suspect number one, John, approached them and demanded they empty their pockets.

John pulled a small knife from his pants. John threatened to cut S. and his friends with the knife if they didn't comply with his demand. The victims refused. S. blocked several of John's attempts to punch and stab him. John knocked S. to the ground.

S. was dazed and semi-conscious. John stabbed S. just above the left side of his chin. The knife went through S.'s chin and into his gums. John attempted to go through S.'s pant pocket where he had his wallet. John did not get inside the pocket. John got off S. S. believes John's attention was drawn to the Game Boy cartridge on the bench. John took the Game Boy and fled the scene.

STRONG ARM ROBBERY

Location: 4700 East Mountain View Drive (alley), City Heights Time/Date: 11:40 a.m. on 8/29/04



Investigation: Tanya V. and three other females robbed Neecha S. V. took S.'s cell phone and \$50. V. struck S. to the back of the head with a rubber mallet. Paramedics responded to the scene and transported S. to UCSD Hospital. S. refused medical treatment. I transported S. back to her residence. V. has a child with S.'s boyfriend, Johnny, S. believes V. is jealous.

Statement from S.: Tanva asked me to come with her. She said she has Johnny's house keys and that she

would give it to me. She asked me to ride in her car. She drove me to the alley. She stepped out of the car. Three black females came out of nowheres and pushed me out of the car. Tanya grabbed my bag and took my money and cell phone. Tanya and the three females kicked and punched me. Tanya took out a rubber mallet from the trunk. She hit me with the mallet on the back of the head three times. Tanya took off my clothes and left me in the alley. Two white males asked if I needed help. The males took me home.

BANK ROBBERY

Location: 3900 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest Time/Date: 3:35 p.m. on 8/9/04



Investigation: Officer P. Cruz #3587 and I were dispatched to the Union Bank in regards to a robbery that had just taken place. We made contact with S. S. stated that she was stationed at the teller's window at the far end of the customer counter. The suspect approached her [and] said, "I have a gun, give me all your money." S. removed ones and fives from her drawer and started handing them to the suspect. The suspect then said, "All of it, I have a gun and I'll shoot." S. removed all the cash from her drawer. The suspect took the money in his left hand and walked away. S. did not see the gun and the suspect was not given bait money.

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When Dave Thornton pulls into the parking lot, I'm warned his truck is fast. It roars even when it's idling.

"Where did you get this monster?" I ask.

"Bob Stall Chevrolet," he says. "I bought the truck in late '89 or '90. Chevy advertised it as the truck from hell. On TV the ads would show a drag strip with the green lights going off and the truck burning all the way down the strip.

"It's a 1990 Chevy Super Sport half-ton with a big block 454, the Corvette three-speed automatic transmission, and high-performance suspension. That's what it came with. I put Thorley headers on it to open it up a bit. And I put on high-performance wiring out of the distributor. So it's sitting at about 300 horsepower."

"Do you go to the drag strip and burn rubber?"

"I'm not a racer," Dave says. "But I've always liked fast cars. My brother restores hot rods, and my older brother always had hot rods. He was the racer, not me; although when somebody comes up in one of these little rice burners and thinks it's fast. I might let him know what my truck can do. But I don't make a habit of racing my truck. I pamper the thing. The truck only has 72,000 original miles. It's never been redlined. It's never slept outside, only in the garage. I bought it because I like the model, and I use it if I'm going out on a date or cruising the car show. It only gets about ten miles to the gallon, so I don't take it up to L.A. very often."

"If you take it to the car show," I say, "that means it's already a collector's item?"

"Oh veah, it's a classic car and it's going up in value every year. They only made it for four years, and you can't find a half-ton shortbed truck with the

big block engine in it anymore. Even the Ford Lightning, which is a really fast truck, only has the small-block 351."

When I ask if he uses his Chevy for any real truck purpose, like hauling stuff. Dave turns an appalled look on me. "God, no. Well, I mean, if I bring some piece of furniture home from Costco, yeah, sure. But I won't be hauling dirt in this thing. I mean, this is like a car. You can tell; inside it's all plushed out."

Even the door panels are carpeted, I notice, and Dave says, "It's got a Dolby stereo system with eight speakers. They touted that quite a bit. You could only buy this truck in the one color in '90, and the only option was a sun roof, which I didn't want. The later ones, like the '93, they had a fourspeed manual transmission, for better gas mileage. But I've heard that didn't work out too well. And they changed the intake manifold to the cross-port

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