

Wimp Supporter

Don Bauder is an excellent investigative reporter, but he missed important elements of this story ("Sanitized History," "City Lights," September 23).

The CEO of XXsys was (is) Gloria Ma, a dedicated supporter of Scott Peters, the wimp who is currently the councilmember for La Jolla and, at least in theory, the rest of council district one.

She made out big-time with XXsys, unlike investors or staff, who lost their shirts.

She was appointed by Mayor Murphy as chair of the San Diego Data Processing Corporation board in 2002, when \$25 tequilas were just fine for Roger Talamantez and other senior managers at DPC at the public's expense.

She represents an example par excellence of the business entities that have a pervasive influence on local government in San Diego and are currently supporting Murphy's and Peters's re-elections.

Ian Trowbridge via e-mail

Secret Plan

Thanks to Joe Deegan and Joe Klein for the Coronado Branch story ("Pols Sabotage Coronado Train Plan," "City Lights," September 16). Their efforts to simplify a complex issue so that the general public can begin to understand it should be commended. In regards to the February 24 meeting with rail and historical interests with Fish and Wildlife's Mendel Stewart, there are more parties who were present at that meeting on the Otay River trestles that will dispute Mendel's comments to the Reader. I would even go on record as stating that Mendel preferred that the bike trail would be located on the berm at the north side of Pond 20 instead of on the railroad right-of-way, as this would place pedestrians and cyclists farther from nesting areas. It's true that the impacts of a

train, tram, or trolley would be less than the bike trail.

We have been offering compromise for three years, and it's always their way or no way. In any other city, bike groups and rail groups would be working together, but part of the politics of this situation is to polarize wildlife and bike groups against the railroad people. I still contend that the real issues involved have more to do with somebody's secret bayfront-development master plan than with historicity, bike trail, or wildlife issues. The issue before the council was not evaluated based on the city's own charter or by CEOA [California Environmental Quality Actl law.

While Supervisor Cox may contend that the railway is not historic, the plethora of historic photos and references in history books speak otherwise. Mr. Cox may have gotten himself published in a new railroad history book by Professor Joseph Schwieterman, When the Railroad Leaves Town (part II), due out soon. While fighting the railroad's historicity, Malcolm, Cox, and others have been chronicled in the public record and have become yet another chapter in the history of this railroad. A number of relevant public records on this subject can be viewed at bayshore.sweethaven.com. More postings will be added in the next few weeks. All attempts to resolve the dispute through political channels have been squashed through Mr. Cox's efforts. Mr. Cox has intervened with five local municipalities, four regional agencies, and multiple state and federal agencies in attempts to thwart the rail projects. Now we will see what the courts say.

A recent survey shows that 80 percent of Americans approve of railroads. I doubt that even Supervisor Cox has such a high approval rating. I think the public likes railroads more than politicians!

When the political/legal battle is over, watch the potential investors and operators come out of the woodwork to get the franchise. I started on this project to try to help Imperial Beach with economic input without impacts to traffic and parking. Cox and Chula Vista have been a problem from day one, and I hope the first train to the beach will be called the Imperial Express. No stops in Chula Vista!

Ed Kravitz via e-mail **Movie Review and Guide**

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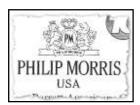
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Smoke gets in their eyes The annual "Excellence in Journalism Awards" will be handed out next Friday at a fancy banquet to be held by the San Diego Press Club at the posh Loews



Resort. But this year's event is being shadowed by strong criticism from the local chapter of the From banquet invitation American Lung Association.

Philip Morris, U.S.A., the controversial tobacco giant, has paid \$5000 to co-sponsor the dinner. "The American Lung Association is astounded at the poor judgment that any organization shows in accepting tobacco sponsorship," association spokesman Ross Porter says. "More than 70 nonprofits in San Diego County, including most recently the Poway Rodeo, have adopted written policies to refuse tobacco sponsorship. We hope that the Press Club would take note of its position as a role model and do the right thing by cutting its ties to Philip Morris as well." Press Club president Ron James, who is content manager of SignOnSanDiego, the Union-Tribune's website, says no dice. "We're sorry they're so upset about it. We are not promoting any product, and it's a legitimate company, the same with the casinos and the alcoholic beverage companies that have sponsored the awards in the past." James says the Philip Morris cash, along with funds from nine other dinner sponsors (including Sempra Energy, the Building Industry Association, and the Viejas casino) will be used for scholarships, as well as to subsidize the dinner itself. in order "to keep the price in line so journalists can afford to go to the function." Ticket prices, he said, are in the \$45 to \$50 range.

Welcome to South L.A. Who wants a strong mayor? Judging from the campaign committee backing San Diego's Proposition F, the so-called strong-mayor ballot measure on the November ballot, quite a few of the city's high-powered, Los Angeles-backed influence peddlers do. First among them

is George Mitrovich, one-

time P.R. man for convicted

Del Mar swindler **J. David**

Dominelli, whose more re-

cent clients have included

L.A.'s giant Metropolitan Wa-

ter District. Mitrovich and as-

sorted family members col-

lected \$869,000 from MWD

for trying to sway local opin-

ion against the San Diego

County water district's

homegrown Imperial Valley

water grab. And there's

UCSD professor Steve Erie,

who also has long backed the

L.A. water interests in their

epic battle against their San

Diego brethren. After the

Union-Tribune exposed the Mitroviches' once-secret ar-





rangements with MWD, Erie fired off a letter to the editor to the paper: "That MWD needed to hire local consultants is a sad commentary upon slanted

local coverage of water issues, particularly from the Union-Tribune editorial page." That was a close echo of a statement by MWD's top public relations official, **Adnan Ortega**, who was quoted by the paper as saying the water agency forked over the big money to the Mitrovich clan because "we didn't feel that we could get a fair hearing" in the local rag. Erie, a backer of plans to build a super-airport to replace Lindbergh Field and a self-professed fan of L.A., has long been a proponent of bigger is better. "L.A. worshipped at the throne of growth and got what it asked for. It's government that's organized around producing economic growth," he told a reporter this summer. There are also plenty of local lobbyists backing Prop. F as well, including Porter Novelli's Kevin **Faulconer**, whose company is employed by the San Diego County Apartment Owners Association, and **Ieff Marston**, whose clients include Poway contractor Doug Barnhart, the city's biggest political contributor and stadium builder. Then there's Woodenship Advertising's Bob Nelson, who this March boasted to the San Diego Business Journal that he'd just picked up a cool \$25,000 to handle the first phase of Mayor Dick Murphy's reelection bid. Murphy backs the strong-mayor initiative. But the heaviest representation on the committee has gone to the San Diego city firefighters union, which boasts director of government affairs and onetime school-board candidate Johnnie Perkins, vice president John **Thomson**, and president and city pension-board member Ron Saathoff, whose name has recently surfaced in connection with that ongoing federal investigation into the city's troubled pension fund.

Murphy's money Mayor Dick Murphy has been picking up even more campaign cash from San Diego Gas and Electric executives. Other recent Murphy donors include lobbyist Jim Dawe, the president of that small foundation to which Murphy and his colleagues gave \$1 million of taxpayer money in an ultimately failed effort to suck in bigmoney donations for a new downtown library. Other Murphy support comes from wealthy Dr. Seuss widow Audrey Geisel; Pauline Foster, the



Audrev Geisel

Rancho Santa Fe denizen and mother-in-law of school chief Alan Bersin; and Mike McKinnon, the KUSI owner who is trying to develop a hotel project in the middle of the city-controlled downtown redevelopment area. Still more Murphy money was donated by real estate mogul Malin Burnham and

his wife, plus Bazaar del Mundo honcho Diane **Powers.** The prize for the most creative occupation description goes to Barbara Finn Pressley, the wife of car and truck dealer Norm Pressley of La Jolla. The Murphy disclosure form calls Pressley — a colorful old nightclub singer who years ago ran Mickie Finn's speakeasy up on University Avenue in Hillcrest — a "farmer."

- Matt Potter

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Don't Say Anything Bad

By Don Bauder

verybody knows what happened on 9/11/2001. Very few know that on 9/26/2001, the Securities and Exchange

Commission told American municipalities that when they issue bonds for public projects, they should voluntarily "go beyond the limits of disclosure mandated by law."

Still fewer know that on 10/23/2001, the SEC released a position paper meant to fraud billowed, and in November of 2002, Pitt resigned under pressure. Unfortunately, much of his legacy — regulatory leniency and so-called self-policing remains.

The principles embodied in the 10/23/2001 document

municipality — San Diego seeks leniency under the Seaboard framework. Last February, the city hired Paul Maco, a former SEC official, to find out why its government, by its own admission, gave inaccurate information to potential investors in bond prospectuses dating back to 1996. There are two criminal probes of what happened, and one civil probe by the securities commission Maco's law firm, Houston's Vinson & Elkins (under fire as Enron's former law firm), has already received \$1.3 million for the report.

San Diego may become Seaboard's quagmire — if



Paul Maco



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"encourage self-policing," in the agency's words. In effect, if a company would do its own investigation, cooperate with the securities agency, and take remedial action, among other things, it could get leniency for fraudulent behavior. Those were the days when Harvey Pitt, then head of the agency, was calling for kinder and gentler corporate regulation. But financial came to be known as the "Seaboard framework," named for the company that got off easy. Seaboard fired a controller who was committing fraud, but because it launched its own investigation, shared its information with the government, and supposedly rectified things, Seaboard was not hit with an enforcement action.

Now, for the first time, a

not Waterloo — for two reasons, both related to the myth of self-policing. First, Maco's recently published report has much solid information but strains credulity in concluding that city em-

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Blood on the Water

By Ernie Grimm

ummer 1999: Local spearfisherman Mark Bucon paddled his kayak three quarters of a mile out into the Pacific from

the Children's Pool in La Jolla. Trailing him in a second kayak was a reporter researching a story about spearfishing. But it wasn't spearing fish the two chatted about; it was the city's decision to cede the Children's Pool to harbor seals and sea lions. "It's not a good idea," Bucon said as he tied his kayak to a stalk of kelp. "They're creating a habitat for great white sharks here."

'But there are no great white sharks around here, right?" asked the reporter paddling up alongside.

"Oh, there are great whites in these waters," Bucon answered as he rolled into the water. "Tie up to my kayak and let's go."

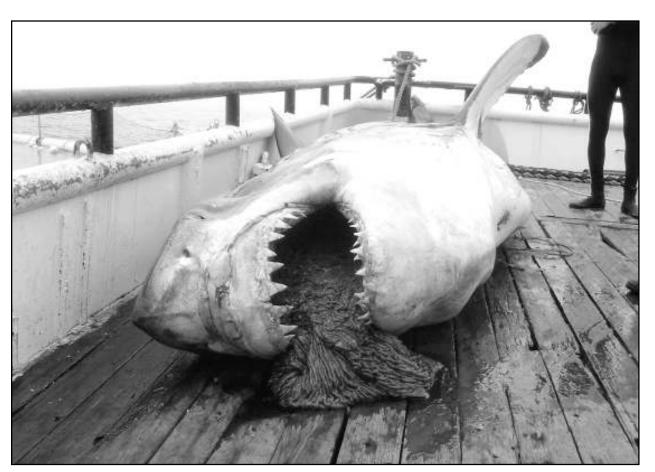
November 19, 2002: Dan Higgins, a lobster fisherman, was alone aboard his 25-foot boat retrieving lobster traps in the same spot Bucon had spearfished three and a half years earlier. According to

Higgins, he was pulling up his last trap when some movement on the water's surface about 30 feet away drew his eye. Suddenly, the spot erupted with foam, and a few seconds later a chunk of sea lion or harbor seal flesh floated to the surface, now colored "bright red" with blood. He believed he had witnessed a feeding great white shark. Motoring to the spot, he saw the chunk of flesh was actually a pup. He figured the pup had been ripped out of its pregnant mother's womb during the attack. As he looked, he saw the shark swim under his boat at a depth of four or five feet. "I'll say it had to be a minimum 14 feet long, maybe as long as 18 feet," Higgins told the Union-Tribune later. "It was 3 to 4 feet wide."

February 2, 2003: Charley Barringer was walking his dog Breezy along Windansea



Great white head and teeth



Great white caught in tuna cages off Coronado Islands

alarmism is irresponsible

Beach when he saw a group of sea birds clustering above a patch of water 200 to 300 vards offshore, straight out from Nautilus Street. As he watched the cavorting birds, he told the *Union-Tribune*, he saw "something big" leap out of the water and realized it was a great white. "I saw it come up out of the water several times, including once with an exaggerated headsnapping movement from side to side."

Standing nearby, Steven Dente also witnessed the occurrence. "It was the most amazing thing I've ever seen, and I lived in the African bush for 15 years," he told the

Dente and Barringer said the attack lasted about 15 minutes, and the former claimed that at one point, he saw the shark rise from below and throw a seal several yards through the air. The attack ended with a wide circle of blood in the water near the spot Barringer first saw the circling birds.

June 2003: A scuba diver leapt into a tuna cage in Mexican waters near the Coronado Islands. The cage was really a net full of tuna anchored there as part of a tuna-farming operation — a joint venture between Australian and Mexican companies. The diver was performing a check of the net, which involved repairing any damage to the net and chasing out predators, usually sea lions, that had chewed their way in. However, on that day it wasn't a sea lion - dangerous animals in their own right — he encountered in the net. It was a great white

September 2004: José Leonardo Castillo Géniz, a shark fisheries biologist with the National Fisheries Institute of Mexico's regional center in Ensenada, sits in an office just off the oceanology lab at the Ensenada Center for Scientific Investigation and Higher Education, where he is a doctoral candidate. On the computer monitor in front of him is a photo of two smiling men standing on the deck of a boat. At their feet, facing the camera: the great white shark the diver found in the tuna cage. (The shark had been shot and killed, then removed from the cage.) The shark's between two and three times as long as the men are tall and a good four feet in diameter. The tuna-farming company did not promulgate the photos or report the catch. "I got these photos from a friend who works for the tuna farm," Castillo says. "That shark was more than five meters long."

Eventually, the photo made its way to El Vigia, the Ensenada daily newspaper, which ran huge-sharks-in-Ensenada-Bay stories for three days in early August. "It's funny," Castillo says, "we've had this photograph



José Leonardo Castillo Géniz

since last year. Then suddenly this local newspaper published the picture of this large shark caught inside of the tuna cage, and for three days they published reports, which said this animal came from Ensenada Bay. I called the editor and I told him, 'Come on! That's a lie; that shark was caught in a tuna net 300 miles out to sea and dragged to the the Coronado Islands off of Tijuana.' All he told me was, 'In the last three days, we set a sales record."

Castillo believes the

and, worse, unscientific. On his computer, he calls up a chart that shows the feeding habits of juvenile and adult great white sharks. "A white shark when it is born has a size of about 120-150 centimeters, a very large size compared to other sharks. So they have a strong demand for food intake." He points to the chart. "Here we have the juveniles feeding mainly on other small sharks and fishes and maybe some mollusks such as octopus. I believe for this reason it's most possible to find juvenile white sharks in Mexican waters because the Sea of Cortez has a very high concentration of fish and it's an excellent area for the feeding and growing of these sharks. Right now, we are conducting a survey of sharks in the Upper Sea of Cortez. We are working in San Felipe and Santa Clara and Puerto Peñasco. We spent three weeks on fishing trawlers from Puerto g Peñasco, and in three weeks we saw three small white sharks in the catches of these $\frac{\pi}{2}$ trawlers. That was very surprising to us to see those prising to us to see those white sharks in the Upper Sea of Cortez. We now know the Upper Sea of Cortez is a 50 feeding and growing spot for 8

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Second, Seaboard came into play in another high-

profile San Diego case: Peregrine Systems. A report that Peregrine submitted to the SEC is considered suspect and self-serving by attorneys who are pursuing civil suits against former company officials.

In mid-2002, after Peregrine revealed that its books had been cooked and Padres majority owner John Moores returned as chairman (even though he had dumped almost all of his stock), I interviewed Lawrence West, an

SEC official in Washington, D.C. He explained what Peregrine would have to do to qualify for lenient treatment under the Seaboard guidelines. West reeled off the requirements, including an internal probe, cooperation with the agency, remedial action, waiving of attorneyclient privilege, and the like.

Peregrine did a purported internal investigation. But that investigation was coordinated by San Diego attorney Charles La Bella, one of

the longtime Moores servants who had been recruited by the company right after the bad news hit. "The preparation of this report was overseen by Mr. Moores's personal attorney Charles La Bella," said the committee of unsecured creditors in the Peregrine bankruptcy. La Bella was one of Moores's "closest associates" and had "previously represented Moores in connection with an investigation of insider trading, bribery, and other charges." The first law firm to work on the report was replaced. The second, Latham & Watkins, which had done legal work for the Padres, cranked out 250 pages of text that, the committee said, serve "no purpose other than to whitewash the directors' prior performance."

Gwendolyn Giblin, an attorney with the San Francisco law firm that is suing former Peregrine officials in federal court, says the Latham & Watkins report "was clearly a whitewash." The suit itself says the report was an attempt by Moores "to exonerate himself and his business cronies who had served as his eyes and ears on the Peregrine board."

One of Moores's attorneys, Los Angeles-based John Quinn, says the Latham & Watkins report indicates that "there is no evidence that any outside directors had involvement in the fraud." Therefore, he has tried to get it unsealed in three different courts, but it has not been publicly released.

Today, West is an associate director of enforcement at the SEC. He won't say whether his agency has accepted the Latham & Watkins report in whole or in part. However, on June 30 of last year, the SEC settled its fraud suit against Peregrine and noted that the company had taken remedial action and had cooperated with the agency. It's possible that Peregrine has qualified at least partly under the Seaboard framework. If true, many people with knowledge of the Peregrine fraud will be astounded. However, last year's settlement was with the company, not with Moores and the outside directors, who have been sued for fraud by the bankruptcy-court-appointed litigation trustee, with the cooperation of the

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company's current management. "The [SEC's] investigation continues as we speak," says West.

Over the years Moores has been represented by a Vinson & Elkins attorney, but Maco says that had nothing to do with his firm's selection by the city. Maco's investigation is good but flawed. First, there are conflict-of-interest questions, although none so egregious as in Peregrine. As a footnote reveals, before he was hired, Maco had provided legal advice to the city on securities law issues. He had served "as a sounding board" on securities questions, he says. Maco says the SEC approached neither him nor the city on a possible Seaboard arrangement. But he was hired on a Wednesday evening, and "both the SEC and Justice Department requested documents [the following] Friday."

The report says that, under the law, the city must avoid "material misstate-

ments and omissions." There is a whopper of a misstatement in prospectuses: "State legislation requires the city to contribute to [the pension fund] at rates determined by actuarial valuations." This is "apparently without foundation," says the report. Moreover, the city was not making actuarially determined donations. There was a flagrant sin of omission: prospectuses didn't point out that the health-care system was underfunded by anywhere from 500 million to close to 1

The big problem with the Maco report is its untenable conclusions. It correctly portrays an incompetent and dysfunctional city government, citing "meager disclosure," "confusing footnote," "vague outline," "inaccuracies," "failures in the city's disclosure process," "careless manner," "check-the-box mentality," and "poor lines of communication." The city attorney's office, auditor, city manager's office, city council, and others dropped the ball continuously, the report emphasizes.

The report says, "The city administration had adopted a minimalist approach to public disclosure, providing the public with negative information only when it has felt legally required to do so." (Italics mine.) So much for the SEC's call on 9/26/2001 to "go beyond the limits of disclosure mandated by law."

City officials "don't say anything bad unless they absolutely have to," says Maco.

Despite all this, the report says it's hard to pin "intentional misconduct" on

Oh? The report itself belies that. It gives short shrift to pension-board member Diann Shipione's 2002 warnings to the mayor and council that finances were in bad shape, and there was an odor of corruption. If the report had stressed her warnings, it would have been difficult to conclude that misconduct arose from ignorance.

The report relates how several city financial officials were expressing their unhappiness with outside counsel Paul Webber, who was insisting on disclosure of litigation.

Says the report, "The city was reluctant to openly share information with counsel [Webber] for fear its disclosure would be required, creating risk for both the city and its investors."

That's not intentional? "It speaks more of bad judgment," insists Maco. On Monday, the city manager said Webber's law firm will no longer be the city's disclosure counsel.

His report sees no intent, but it doesn't examine motivation. Maco should know that knaves disguise themselves as fools. Employees who were supposedly so incompetent had motivation to preserve their fat benefits. People with something to hide don't put things in writing; they communicate with winks and nods. The employees could have been fired, demoted, or permanently sidelined if they didn't play along with higher-ups. "I have no idea whether they could have been fired," says Maco.

Perhaps unknowingly, he has fingered the problem with purported self-policing. ■

Blood on the water

LIGHTS

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these small white sharks. There is so much diversity of fish in that area, and these sharks demand so much energy for growing. But as the shark is growing, it shifts its diet toward bigger animals. It starts to feed on pinnipeds, which is the specific name for sea lions and seals. And also included in the diet are dolphins and porpoises. Also well documented is the white shark feeding on the dead bodies of whales and basking sharks. But pinnipeds make up the majority of their diet, and pinnipeds are concentrated in colder waters north of Point Conception."

Castillo clicks a new chart up onto the computer screen, this one showing a map of the Pacific coast of North America and pinpointing where great whites have been caught and how much they weighed. "We have a strong concentration of white shark catches around San Diego and another around San Francisco. We can clearly see

two groups. We have very large sizes north of Point Conception and smaller sizes in the south."

Sea lion and seal populations are increasing in local waters, Castillo concedes, but he says they aren't near levels needed to support a population of adult great white sharks. Other factors make the San Diego-Ensenada stretch of the Pacific an unlikely destination for large white sharks, he adds. "You have to remember that these animals are very fragile in biological terms. Contamination and pollution affect them. We have a high volume of navigational traffic in Southern California and all of Baja. This is a disturbing activity for these animals."

All that data notwithstanding, a great white whopper did show up in a tuna net in local waters. Castillo believes it was an anomaly, not a portend of shark-infested waters to come. "That shark was over five meters," he adds. "That is a very rare size, no matter what region we're talking about." ■



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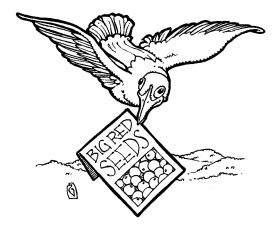
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP



Y MATTHEW ALICE

Dear Matthew Alice:

tion by Rick Geary

I walk up Mt. Woodson every week, a wonderful mix of Zen garden and geology field trip. Through summer, I've noticed piles of ordure with bright red seeds in the piles, about pinto bean size. Lots of them. I haven't seen any wild fruits that might be the origin. Got any idea of what thou wight ha?

— Old Librarian, hiking in Poway

Fascinating Mt. Poopson. When the manzanita berries bloom in the coyote scat. Or maybe fox scat. But probably coyotes, since they range farther afield. The berries you see were probably eaten somewhere other than Woodson and just happened to be deposited in your path.

From the Grandma Alice Junk Drawer and Clipping Archive, one of her favorites from 1994: O Great God of Useless Information:

On a recent Beavis and Butt-Head show, our two favorite metalheads are at a tractor pull. One of the tractors goes out of control, knocking over outhouses and releasing the great Greek god of feces to take vengeance on the land. In a newspaper interview, the creators of the show said that while doing some research, they stumbled on the god in a mythology book. Just who was this great god? Where was he said to dwell? And finally, just what were his actual duties?

— W. Elliot, Clairemont

Research? For *Beavis and Butt-Head?* And just how likely do you figure that is? Anyway, expecting little, I turned your question over to the drudges at the Sagacitus Mattus Alicius Foundation for Mythology and Small Appliance Repair, and darned if they didn't come up with your answers. Sterculius is the god in question. He's Roman, not Greek. And "feces" is kind of stretching a point. He was the god, actually, of manure. Fertilizer.

As with most of the ancient Roman deities, we have no vivid picture of our dung king. He's the hero of no epic. His genealogy is vague. He was just one of an almost uncountable number of god-spirits that early Romans believed had to be bribed and flattered if life was to proceed smoothly. Virtually every action, event, or object in Roman life was governed by some god or other (Spiniensis, god presiding over the clearing of thorns from gardens; Cardea, goddess of door hinges; Commoleda, goddess in charge of keeping trees from being struck by lightning; Robigus, god of mildew and rust). The whole system was so vague and complicated that people often said prayers, in essence, "to whom it may concern," afraid they might beseech the wrong deity or leave out one they didn't even know about.

Among the ancient references to Sterculius is a brief nod in Pliny the Younger's *Historia Naturalis*, in what appears to be a dissertation on fertilizer. "Italy...pays tribute to Sterculio, son of Taunus, on account of his immortal invention...." So where did Sterculius live? Well, these gods were often embodied in objects related to their powers. Perhaps there was a little bit of him in every cow pie.

But being the emperor of excrement may not have been a very prestigious gig. Sterculius's son Picus was a king and a gifted prophet (even after being turned into a woodpecker by a miffed goddess). The keepers of the Picus legend decided that being the son of the manure maharaja was so undignified that they shoved Sterculius out of the family tree and declared their boy the son of all-powerful Saturn. (You get to do that in mythology.) Two thousand years later, it's left to Beavis and Butt-Head to rehabilitate dad's image.

Matt

In school there was a rumor that Chairman Mao convinced the population of China that everyone should participate in the Great Leap Forward and kill ten flies every day to help rid the country of a veritable plague of flies. One of our company representatives just returned from Beijing with photos aplenty. In all the pictures of the open-air markets, I spied nary a fly. Whaddaya know about it?

- M. Faught, San Diego

After the revolution of 1949, the government of China launched campaigns against vermin to bring good hygiene to China's pestilent cities. In 1958 Mao decided birds were eating too much of the country's grain. All citizens were instructed to take to the streets, beating on pans to keep birds from roosting. Birds reportedly dropped out of the sky from exhaustion. Children were asked to bring two dead birds a day to school to prove their patriotism. Millions were killed, and China's bird population didn't recover for years. Nature, of course, gets the last laugh. It never occurred to anyone that once the birds were gone, the bugs would take over. A plague of caterpillars brought a pause in the war against birds.

Mao was notorious for these campaigns, which included battles against rats, mice, flies, and dogs, as well as birds. I'm not sure that explains your friend's bugless photos, but with the anti-pest consciousness in Beijing, probably just out of camera range was a patriot with a flyswatter.

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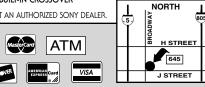






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Sometimes There Is No Answer

ld comedy — it's base, it's low, it's political, it's in your face, it's throwing fruits and vegetables at the stage and actors on the stage picking them up and throwing them back at the audience. It's actors wearing giant penises as part of their costumes. It's celebrating the lowest common denominator of human sexual appetite and humor."

Speaking is Jeffrey Beal. I've known Jeffrey from his days as an unemployed actor/director shuffling around Southern California theater world. Luckily, Jeffrey had something few of his fellow shufflers had: a degree from Yale. Which meant, after 15 years of not making it, that Mr. Beal had no trouble returning to college, acquiring an advanced degree in theater, followed by a tenure-tract job at an East Coast college, followed by, in a very few years, the chairmanship of said university's department of theater.

I've called with a question. I wanted to know if there was a connection between athleticism and acting. Wouldn't, in fact, actors need to be athletic? Specifically, what about the physical skills one needs to perform slapstick comedy? Jeffrey answers with a spiel on 6th-century BC Greek theater.

"Theater begins on a grand scale in Athens with an outdoor amphitheater in front of 12,000 to 15,000 people, layered up the side of a mountain. It's simultaneously theater, dramatic, and religious festival combined. It's an enormous community enterprise and celebration. The plays have to be visible from far away and audible from far away. The themes and the delivery, the theatricality, are grandiose. The same is true of ancient comedy. Old comedy is also immensely larger than life. Exaggerated archetypes, character types, stereotypes, exaggerated situations, extreme parody and satire, relentless political sarcasm aimed directly at people sitting in the audience, spoken from the stage. It was incredible."

"Jeffrey, can we move the clock forward a couple thousand years?"

"Okay. Your original question had to do with how necessary athleticism is to theater. The answer is, 'Depends, and for the most part, not at all.' Most of our current theater takes place on television between noon and four o'clock in the afternoon. The lowest common dominator of American theater is daytime soap operas. A great many of our plays are about a half notch above that. They both deal in the same sort of domestic fourth wall [the imaginary, invisible wall at the front of the stage

through which the audience sees the action]. They invite us to peer through the fourth wall into the world of domestic relationships, familiar plots, struggles of the middle class in love and death

"Stop!" This man needs to be bitch-slapped. "Let's talk about the Marx Brothers, W.C. Fields,

and the Three Stooges."
"Okkaaaay," Jeffrey says, with noticeable effort. "Screwball, physical comedy. Comedy is supposed to be the incongruous made congruous. Something that is completely outrageous happens as if it were an everyday event. Monty Python slapping each other in the face with a dead fish and doing it as if it made sense to them. A perfect example would be a play like Noises Off, by Michael Frayn. It's a popular recent play loaded with one sight gag after another."

Gads, we may be coming in sight of the topic. Haven't seen it since we found the fourth wall. "Okay, if you were casting that play, how would you pick your lead? What are you looking for when you're auditioning actors for slapstick comedy? Say, you could hire a genuine athlete who was an okay actor or a very good actor who was helplessly uncoordinated. Who would you choose?'

"The actor, every time, unless the play absolutely had minimum requirements that are physical, like clowning skills. Or there was stuff in the play that has to be executed because of choices that have already been made and are irreversible. For instance, Peter Brook, when he directed A Midsummer Night's Dream. Brook set it in a squash court with trapezes and stuff. Well, the die is cast; Brook already made his decision about how he would interpret A Midsummer Night's Dream. Now, he's looking for people who can handle the

Can you take a good actor who's a bad athlete and teach him to look as if he's a good athlete?

"To a point. Let me put it this way: it would be considered a routine — even mandated — part of a young actor's training in America to do physical work. If you went to acting school, you would definitely take classes in something called 'Movement.' There's no question. Stage movement extends all the way from how to pick up a teacup to something such as the Ministry of Silly Walks from Monty Python. Your assignment is to go home and develop a silly walk because you need a silly walk to be a clown. Learn how to fall on your face, learn how to trip. The trip is a wonderful thing on stage."

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Services: English, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Spanish, 1:00 p.m.

Length of service reviewed: 1 hour

"I've been a member here since 1941," said the woman who greeted me last Sunday at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in North Park. A gentleman named Barry told me that he'd belonged to the church for 51 years.

"I remember when this place was really booming in the 1950s. At one time we had around 1500 members. There were almost 500 kids in our Sundayschool classes. This was one of the most important Lutheran churches in the entire city. We helped establish three or four other churches. Then in the late 1960s the neighborhood's demographics started to change. Kids grew up and moved away. The church started to shrink. It's kind of sad when you think back on how big we used to

Our Savior's whitestucco walls are thick. Hefty wooden beams support the nave's vaulted ceiling. In the nave's north and south walls, double-hung windows fitted with milky blue and yellow glass admit soft light. The floor slants down, theater-style, toward the altar rail. Every pew has a clear view of the

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At last Sunday morning's 10:30 a.m. service, an eight-member choir began the 18step traditional liturgy with a contemporary hymn, "We're Building a Circle of Love." After Confession, Prayer for the Day, and the reading of the First Lesson and Second Lesson, Reverend Bill Radatz dispensed with the Children's Meditation.

"I guess all our young folks attended the 8:30 service," he said.

After the Gospel reading, Luke 16:19-31, the story of the rich man who ended up in hell, Reverend Radatz launched into his sermon.

"If you go to www.globalrichlist.com and type in your income, you can find out how rich you are compared to all the other people in this world. When I did it, I found out that I was in the richest .85 percent of the world's population. That means that I'm richer than 99.2 percent of the world's population.

'At a recent meeting with the bishop, he

talked about how much of their income that Lutherans tithe to the church. We know that traditionally we're supposed to tithe 10 percent. But the bishop told us that Lutherans generally tithe 1.9 percent of their income.

"What does it take to change the human heart? I know that I'm tempted by the lottery. I know that I have a greater chance of being hit by a car than I do of winning. But when I see that the jackpot's \$75 million, I'm tempted. Why? I'm already in the richest 1 percent of the world's population. What does it take for us to be content?

"What does it take to change the human heart? Does violence? What moved me this past week was the two persons beheaded in Iraq. Our outrage points to the answer of what it takes to change the human heart. This is a spiritual problem for us. The Bible is filled with violence. It begins with the violence of the Flood and ends with the violence of the Apocalypse. But violence doesn't have the last word. Jesus' sacrifice is what can change the human heart. The last word is self-giving, giv-

ing love. That's what can change the human heart. That's what can urge us to give more of ourselves and urge us to tithe more than the 1.9 percent that we've been giving."

Before the service, people sat around the fountain in the church's courtyard and sipped coffee and munched raisin cookies. There were no more snacks after the service. Reverend Radatz was in a rush, but he hustled me into his office to speak for a few minutes.

"The church is about to celebrate its 90th anniversary. For the first 20 years of its history, it was a bilingual church — Norwegian and English. Gradually it switched to being only English. Now we've come full circle. We have a Spanish-language service and we've started to grow again."

I said that having so many older people in the church must be a

"The best thing is that most of these people were church leaders. They taught Sunday school. They sat on committees. They have a tremendous wealth of knowledge and wisdom. They've got such great gifts and they're very generous. For me as a pastor, that's a real joy. They're eager to share those things with the new church members in the Spanish service. They made a very deliberate effort to ensure that this church had one congregation. We use two languages, but we are one congregation. They want to pass on their knowledge to the new generation. And the Spanishlanguage service is mostly young families with small children."

Where was Reverend Radatz headed in

"I and the Spanish-language pastor, Reverend Maria Santa Cruz, are leaving this afternoon to go to Texas. We're going to a conference about bilingual congregations.



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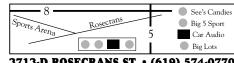


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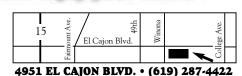
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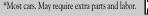




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Dear Saffron.

I have a recurring problem when I'm invited to someone's house as a breakfast, lunch, or dinner guest. There are a number of food items that I just don't like. They include eggs, sour cream, mayonnaise, and foods heavy in cheese — to name a few. Putting these foods to my mouth literally makes me gag. When something is served that falls into this category, I avoid eating it. I'll find things on the table that I like, but oftentimes it's the main course that I end up ignoring. I feel terrible, not because I'm not getting a full meal, but because I think that I'm hurting the feelings of my hosts. I leave their homes without being able to graciously explain why I didn't partake of the particular dish. I never know what to say. On a recent trip back East my aunt made a nice breakfast featuring quiche. Quiche is something that I will never eat. I ate the side items she had (bagels and fruit), but felt horrible because she had put a lot of effort into making this meal specifically for my visit and then I didn't eat any of the quiche or give an explanation as to why. Do you have any suggestions?

LAKESIDE PICKY EATER

Dear Picky Eater,

Time to come out of the closet (or kitchen cupboard). These days, when so many people are on specialized diets (having forsworn carbohydrates or Milk Duds or meat or all of the above), I think you can find a host-friendly, graceful way to let people who are close friends or family know that you don't eat certain things. Eventually word will go around your circle of acquaintances and you won't have to inform everybody every single time. It isn't necessary to give people a heads-up when invited to large or impersonal gatherings, but only for small intimate parties where your abstentions will be noticed and perhaps make the hostess wish she had been told. Then you can mention that you don't expect anyone to cater to your needs or modify the planned menu in any way, but that you cannot eat (fill in the blank). Be sweet and even funny about it. I know a woman who is very adept at this. She has every food allergy known to man. When she is invited to dine with friends at their home, she'll say, "I'll be happy to attend, and I don't want you to change anything you're planning to do, but I want to let you know ahead of time that I am the dinner guest from hell. I'm telling you this so that you won't be upset if I don't partake of all the fare." If the host inquires what her specific limitations are, she recites them. If not, then at least she has given fair warning. And she

always asks if she can bring something to contribute to the meal. This has the double purpose of pitching in to add to the provisions, and making sure there's something on the table she can actually digest.

In a previous column, a woman

Dear Saffron,

wrote to you about how her husband's law partner was having a lady he'd met on the Internet move in with him. He demanded she have cosmetic surgery as a prerequisite to their being together, and he was paying for it. The story was that the woman was selling her condo on the East Coast and coming out to San Diego to pursue this relationship. The letter writer was incensed that the woman would agree to have plastic surgery to please this guy. Well, here's another perspective: Every woman I know who's had her boobs done wants to show them off to everyone she meets. I got a hair transplant a few years back and am positively evangelical about it. Welldone bodywork is a wonderful thing — it makes people happy. But that's not the issue here...can you say "gold digger?" Sounds like this guy's being taken for a ride, and indeed his friends should intervene. "Whirlwind romance" means she's making her move before he can come to his senses. Mail-order bride — maybe not advertised as such but that's what you're describing here — hooks wealthy lawyer? I'd hope he's not so egotistical as to believe she loves him because he's imbued with such a wonderful personality. You say they've spent what...two weekends together? Let's get real here, okay? I'd advise checking into this supposed condo sale business. How much you wanna bet that's a crock? I'm not sure the woman is a victim here — I think the man involved should watch out. He's in danger of being taken to the cleaners.

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Aunt Azelda began losing battles ten years ago, when she got hit with diabetes. Six months ago, incontinence crept up on her and scored an embarrassing victory. Now she fears she is making her last stand — the great old gal just received the crushing news that she has Alzheimer's. And so, no matter how much she loves life, she has had to start thinking about death. "I need to make some decisions," she sighed to me, "before

someone else has to make them for me.

Aunt Azelda never married, never had children, so in cases like these, she sometimes confides in me as if I were her daughter. I listened with growing sadness as she laid out her last wishes.

A few days later, I headed up to her North County stomping grounds and paid a visit to Ken Davidson, who, with his wife Jowena, directs and owns North County Cremation Service (760-471-6301).

If possible, Aunt Azelda wanted to die at home. "If someone dies at home," said Davidson, we go to the home, then wrap the body in a sheet and bring it back here. Or, the body may be in a convalescent home, hospital, or coroner's office. Sometimes, it will be in a pouch from the medical examiner.'

Once it arrives, "by law, the body has to be under refrigeration - if it hasn't been embalmed." Then Davidson starts in on the legalities. "We obtain a disposition permit from the County. That gives us the authority to cremate or bury and the authority to scatter the cremains, ship them out of state, keep them at home, or have them buried in a cemetery But before that permit can be filed, we need a death certificate.

I chuckled, thinking of Aunt Azelda's likely reaction. ("Damn bureaucracy — follows you into the grave. Even after I'm dead, I'll be sitting around waiting for paperwork.") The time frame for getting the death certificate "depends on the doctor, how fast he expedites the signing of it. We fax the doctor a worksheet. He faxes us back the information he wants on the death certificate, which states the cause of death. Then we usually get a preliminary okay that these causes are acceptable, type out the death certificate, and go down to the doctor's office, where he personally signs it. Then we faxfile it with the County, and they

give us the permit to cremate."

Once the paperwork is out of the way. Davidson can send the body to the crematory. "By law, it has to be in some sort of container. We put the body in a corrugated $\,$ box that's sort of sealed, to prevent any leakage — unless the family would prefer a casket or some

alternative container." Davidson asked me if Azelda wore a pacemaker. "That would have to be removed — a pacemaker has a battery, and the battery would explode during the cremation process." At the crematory, the body is prepped and loaded into the cremation chamber. "The chamber is like a kiln," explained Davidson. "It's lined with brick and heated with gas." Open flames raise the temperature to between 1600 and 2000 degrees. The cremation takes two to three hours.

After the burning, what remains is the skeleton, plus large pieces of metal, such as hip implants. "Damn bureaucracy — follows you into the grave."

These may be removed from the remains with a magnet and discarded. Smaller pieces of metal jewelry and such — "may break down into small pieces during the cremation. Most remains weigh between four and eight pounds, depending on the person's bone structure."

The skeleton "is swept into a hopper in the rear of the unit for cooling. While it's cooling in the collection pan, the next case is loaded into the front. Then the collection pan is removed for processing, which means pulverization. The remains are chopped into fragments — they can be made real fine or coarse. The standard is fine, unless the family specifically asks for them to be smaller or larger. Most of the bones are white, though sometimes, carbon will cause them to turn gray or black. It used to be that every once in a while, you'd see a green or red flake from some chemical reaction, but they grind them so fine now that you don't see that."

Once processed, "the remains go into a durable container. We provide a plastic urn, but the family is welcome to provide a different urn." Davidson sells wooden, metal, and stone urns, ranging from \$75 to \$575, depending on style and material.

Azelda's favorite sitting spot is on the benches overlooking La Jolla Cove, and she wanted her ashes to be scattered in the patch of ocean she was so

fond of contemplating. Davidson said that was fine, as long as we traveled at least 500 yards off the coast before scattering. "You cannot do it from a pier." Other options included being kept at home or scattered on various patches of ground. "As long as you have permission from the municipality or property owner,"

you can scatter them pretty much anywhere. Even certain parts of Yosemite are available. "Some cemeteries have an area called a scattering garden. They pour the cremains on the ground and cover them up, or they have an area where they plant a rose right on top of the cremains." Outright burial, however, is limited to cemeteries.

Cremation at North County Cremation costs \$675, which includes removal of the body, obtaining and filing all the necessary paperwork, cremation, preparation of obituary, notification of social security, and application for any veteran's benefits. Chapel and funeral services are also available.

As I left, Davidson advised me that because prices and services vary from facility to facility, "if you know somebody who has had a death in the family, it might be advantageous to get a reference from them. The majority of our business is from referrals."

Other prices around town:

American Cremation Service, San Diego (619-283-5842): Direct cremation — no visitation or viewing of the body — \$420. Possible \$65 additional charge for removing body from residence, since this sometimes requires two people.

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Twenty-Five Years Ago

Very few neighborhoods can claim to have a song written about them. San Diego's Burlingame is one of those few. Written in 1934, the song is set to the melody of "Maryland, My Maryland." The first verse:

In San Diego by the sea Our Burlingame you'll find to be, A lovely spot most beautiful Of cozy homes most suitable For neighborly folks whose hearts are true, Faithful and loyal whate'er they do. O, Burlingame, our Burlingame, Our love for you we'll always claim.

— "TALES OF OLD BURLINGAME," Neal Matthews, October 4, 1979

Twenty Years Ago

"Well!" said the lady at the door. "I'm Mrs. Kroc and I own the Padres and if there's a song about them, I'd like to hear about it!"

"I'll never forget it as long as I live," Field said recently. "She was wearing glasses, beautiful glasses." Soon she and Mrs. Kroc were engaged in a conversation in which Field tried to explain her story. It culminated when Mrs. Kroc picked up a phone on the receptionist's desk and said, "Let my speak to my son-inlaw. I've got a Miss Field here and I'm sending her to the stadium. She has some problems that I'd like taken care of today!"

Ten minutes later, the phone rang again. It was Ballard Smith, president of the Padres. He wanted to know why she had been bothering his mother-in-law about a song. Field tried to explain. Things did not look good.

— CITY LIGHTS: "ANOTHER RECORD FOR THE PADRES," Abe Opincar, October 4, 1984

Fifteen Years Ago

AUTUMN plummets — leaves turn brown, and Southlanders turn CEREBRAL! At smart 'n' stodgy WARWICK'S LES FEUILLES MORTES were falling by the wheelbarrow as Lumpen-literary Los Angeles Timeser Charles Champlin signed copies of his "lovely, wise memoir of the WONDERYEARS OF BOYHOOD."

A decidedly writerly bent characterized the gathering; even as Champlin related wise 'n' witty anecdotes about George Burns ("a wonderful raconteur") and Jimmy Stewart ("a fine storyteller"), mousey misses scribbled insights into Mead 5 Subject Notebooks, and many a lead-licking tongue clucked emphatically when the cherished paragraphist described "the tyranny of the white paper in front of you..."

But these bookworms didn't shy from less brainy topics! "I get an almost...sensual pleasure out of writing," Champlin confided, prompting reverential gasps at the image's profondeur. And many a soulful pair of peepers gleamed in awe as he continued, "If I go for more than 48 hours without



writing, I begin to experience withdrawal symptoms." After an hour of similar heart-(luke)warming reflections, it was Q&A Time! Ink-stained hands shot eagerly upward. "I met you at a WRITER'S CON-FERENCE in Santa Barbara last year," one natty-sweatered scrivener began. "Do you still go over people's manuscripts for them?" — "LIZ LANG'S ON THE TOWN," Liz Lang,

October 5, 1989

Ten Years Ago

Six-year-old Michael Nava is as bald and brown as an almond. He is covered from head to foot in sunscreen lotion. A towel is draped around his shoulders, his swim trunks are comically baggy and his sandals — Day-Glo rainbow — appear almost neon against smoothly tanned feet. The white catheter implanted in his chest is covered with gauze and waterproof tape because Michael is going swimming with the rest of the kids in the Balboa Park pool.

— "CHEMO AND CAMPFIRES," John Brizzolara, September 29, 1994

Five Years Ago

The parrot cocked its head to the right and smiled like your favorite grandmother. Its eyes were black and deep and wide open with myopic kindliness. Cloaked in green, it perched in a cage on Calle Segunda in Tijuana.

"What are you doing?" asked the parrot vendor.

"I'm writing about the parrot," I replied. "Don't write on the parrot," he said, in English, as if I had scribbled ink on its breast instead of my notepad. He pushed me away from the five stacked cages interning 14 parrots.

Why can't I write on the parrot? I thought; and then it hit me: something illegal...maybe they were smuggled. The exotic birds were just another part of this downtown boiling with people while music beats like the tom-tom.

— "CATHEDRAL SPIRITS,"

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SEPTEMBER SONG

by Josh Board

hen 9/11 fell on a Saturday this year, I wondered if there would be any parties. A friend of mine did say he heard that people were still getting married on this

I started my day by giving blood. The Blood Bank was at the Hall of Champions in Balboa Park. I filled out the 58 questions and let them pierce my skin. There were two girls who looked to be 18. They were scared to death. An older guy tried to comfort them by talking about his recent heart surgery. He also went on about how hairy he was. Having hairy arms, I could feel his pain. When they tape the needle to your arm, it takes the hair off when they're done. It's like when you get waxed (I'm guessing). When the guy left, one girl said to the other, "That guy was saying how hairy his butt was. That is so gross! It's more information than we needed."

After giving blood, sitting there with donuts and orange juice, one woman commented that we looked like E.T. with the cotton balls attached to our middle fingers — they take a blood sample by poking your finger,



and I think they check your iron level. I said "You won't be able to flip someone off for an hour with this big thing of cotton on the end of your finger."

Just then, a woman next to me started saying she was dizzy. Her head landed on the table, and a nurse rang a bell. Immediately, there were five nurses around her, laying her down on a mat on the floor. A few minutes later she was

Top: Balboa Park blood donors; bottom left: birthday girl Susanne in middle, Ellen Miles a Nicole Smith lookalike in middle on right; bottom right: An

affairs.

body, and more donuts, I went over to the Organ Pavilion. I missed the concert, but for two hours the names of the vicims of 9/11 were read out loud. It was very emotional.

I don't know the effects of alcohol on a day I've given blood.

asking what happened. A guy said, "Don't worry, that happens all the time." She replied, "Then why isn't anyone else on the floor?" We all laughed.

With less blood in my

I had a friend who went to the downtown library. They were screening the film Poetry in Wartime, a documentary featuring poets from Iraq, the U.K., India, Vietnam, Nigeria, Colombia, and

the United States reading poems about war. There was a discussion afterward, with local poets reading their poems. But on the way there, I thought it might turn into a discussion about war, and why President Bush was wrong. I wasn't in the mood to hear that. It bothers me that if we go to war to stop terrorism, people get upset. Yet if we do nothing, and another 9/11 happens, they'll be upset. It's a no-win situation, and I don't care to hear the comments of people with no experience in foreign

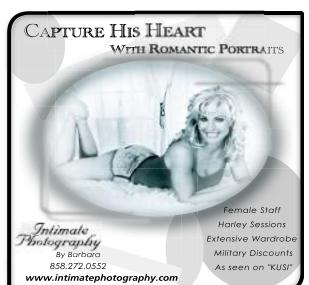
Now off my soapbox and on to a party. I was only invited to one. It was in Hillcrest. When I showed up I was surprised at how easy it was to find parking. Maybe nobody was partying tonight.

The theme was a retro cocktail party. I saw everyone partying at the pool, but the door was locked. I didn't know which apartment to buzz. I started taking a few pictures from above. One guy looked up and said, "Do you need me to let you in?"

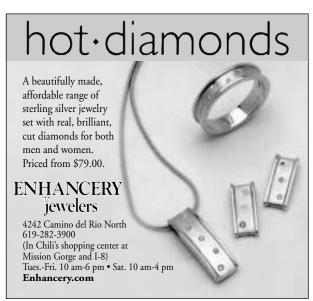
There was lots of artwork on the walls that fit the party theme. I asked Susanne, who turned 40 on September 11 (but didn't look a day over 30), who the artist was. She told me his name was Shaq. It's hard to describe his work. There were tall, thin black cats, and cartoonish people drinking martinis.

She was telling me how she'd known some of these people since grade school. They grew up in Del Mar. And this was one of the first times she had different groups of friends who didn't know each other all together at the same time.

Her friend Ellen Miles. who invited me, said, "I've known Susanne since fourth







grade. Her grandmother came here from Japan right after Hiroshima. And I stole a cigarette from her. It was the first cigarette I ever smoked."

Ellen had her stepbrother Ben bartending. He was wearing a black tie, and I felt bad for him. It was about 100 degrees inside the room. When it got too hot for anyone else, they could just go outside by the pool. He was stuck making drinks. I overheard somebody say he was a bartender, and that's how he got roped into this.

When he heard me talking about a Cosmopolitan, and how the women on Sex and the City always order those, he made me one. But after he gave me a second drink, I thought maybe I should slow down. I don't know the effects of alcohol on a day I've given blood.

A tall guy named Edward showed up with roses and a lot of desserts from Extraordinary Desserts. There were two chocolate cakes (which never got cut the entire time I was there) and delicious brownies. Susanne told me she and Edward had been on a few dates. But, as the party went on and more alcohol was consumed, they looked like they had been a couple forever. They were kissing and holding each other and looked great together, even if he looked to be about two feet taller than she.

I found out Edward was a scientist. For some reason, he reminded me of a better-looking version of Jeff Goldblum. I asked him how tall he was, and he sarcastically said "Seven feet." It then occurred to me that, in Wilt Chamberlain's autobiography, he wrote that he hated being asked his height. He said, "Nobody goes up to fat people and asks them their weight." I asked him why scientists and doctors like Gary Larson's comic strip The Far Side. He agreed that

Larson wasn't that funny.

There were a few gay guys at the party. One was very annoying. He was telling me I was sexy and he grabbed the necklace I was wearing and caressed my chest. I backed up, and he said, "What is this on your neck?" I mistakenly said,
"A tiger's tooth." He said,
"It looks like a shark." I
replied, "Oh, yeah, it is.
It's a tiger shark. That's
what I meant to say." He
then grabbed my head
and pulled me close to
him and said, "You're a
tiger. Grrrrrrr."

I later saw him pestering a woman's husband. He grabbed the guy and gave him 15 kisses on the cheek before the guy pushed him off, saying, "Okay, okay. Calm down."

At one point, the bartender said. "Last

call!" Since it was only 9:20, somebody asked him what was going on. He said, "We ran out of vodka." Since Vons was right across the street, somebody made an alcohol run (or walk). The drinks continued to flow. Champagne was passed

out for a toast.

Susanne said a few things about 9/11. "I was going to play the song 'Imagine' but we all know the song, and what Lennon meant." She then asked for a moment of silence. After about two seconds she said, "Okay,



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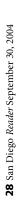
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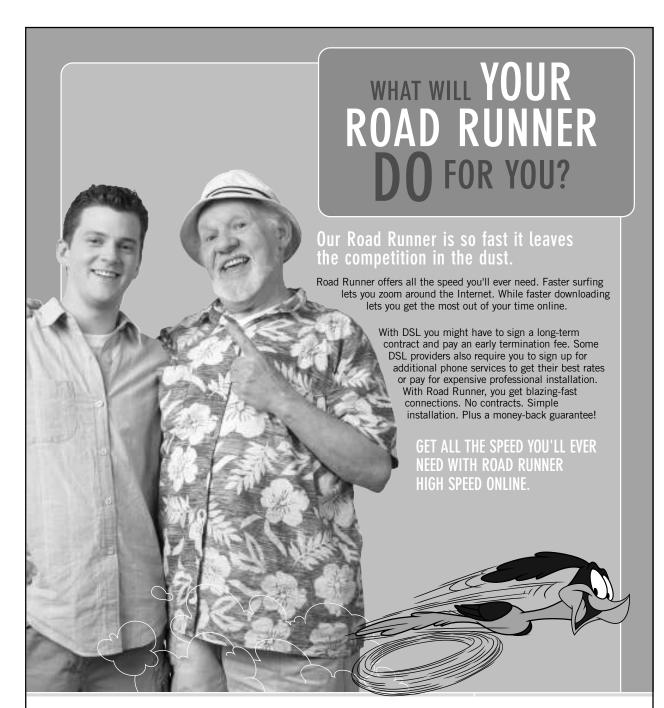
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enough of that. Let's get back to the party." Everyone laughed.

Ellen's parents were there. She mentioned something about her dad's hair being white, and I said, "Yeah, it makes him look so much older than your mom." She said "Oh, that's my stepmom. She's 15 years younger than him that's why she looks younger." She told me they grow grapes and make their own wine. I've met people who brew their own beer, but never anyone who made their own wine. Ellen whispered, "It's not very good, though."

Her dad is a doctor, and she told me how one time he took some moles off his face. He was going to see patients while he was bandaged up. She said, "And his name is Dr. Gross. His name is Dick Gross." I said, "Wow. I thought having the last name Board was bad. In school people would ask if I had a brother named Bill or Smorgas. But I can imagine the kids being more cruel with a name like Dick Gross."

When I walked out by the pool, a lady who appeared to have had too much to drink bombarded me with questions. She wanted to know why I was writing about the party. I think she told me she had once worked at the New York Post and was also a writer. She was talking about layout lines and started getting really technical. I just nodded my head, even though half the time I had no idea what she was talking about. Her husband was the man who was repeatedly kissed by the gay guy. When he walked away, she said, "We have such a great relationship. And I'm able to burp and fart in front of him." How

When she went to the rest room, somebody asked her husband where his better half was. He said, "She's taking a

leak." He then looked at me and said, "Oh. Should I have said 'powdering her nose'?"

There was a pretty blonde taking a lot of pictures. She mentioned how at a wedding, when cameras were placed on the tables at a reception, the pictures turned out so much better. More people were smiling, and people were doing crazier stuff for the photos, not just standing there with fake smiles. She jokingly pretended to take a picture with the camera up her dress.

I told her she looked like Anna Nicole Smith. She put her head in her hands and said, "I've been hearing that so many times over the years." I said, "I didn't mean you acted like her, or were dumb like her. Just that you looked like her." Another guy quickly tried to save me by saying, "Back when she was thin. You look like a thin Anna Nicole." Her friend looked like a thin Kirstie Alley. She said she's also heard that. And it got me wondering...if someone looks like an ugly person, do people mention that? "Hey, you look just like Pete Rose,

Susanne told me her friend Gary helped decorate for the party by setting up at 5:00 a.m. and bringing his retro furniture and lamps. She said, "He also helped me clean up."

Ellen helped by giving Susanne a DVD player with surround sound. Her husband set it up for the party. She was making fun of the fact that Susanne didn't have a DVD player and that she was welcoming her to the 21st Century. I told her I got my first DVD player last month. And I've never had surround sound. But my birthday's October 6, if Mr. Miles wants to hook me up! ■

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Lovers Lane



JOHN BEAVER & DEANNA JOHNSON

Met: August 1995 **Engaged:** May 20, 2004 **Wedding:** May 20, 2006

eanna Johnson and John Beaver look so young, you'd never guess they met nine years ago. "We were in marching band together at Poway High," Miss Johnson, 23, explains. "We both played sax. I knew John's sister Sarah from middle school. She was in band, too. I didn't know John was her brother. After a month marching next to John, I

had a crush on him."

Mr. Beaver's interest had been piqued as well. He didn't say anything about it to Sarah or to Miss Johnson

"When I finally figured out that John was Sarah's brother, I told her that I liked him," Miss Johnson continues. "Sarah was all excited. She had thought ever since middle school that John and I would be good together. I told her that I wanted to ask John to the Sadie Hawkins Dance."

"Sarah came to me one day and said, 'If Deanna asked you to

the dance, what would you say?'"
Mr. Beaver, 24, remembers. "I said,
'Why are you asking?'"

Miss Johnson asked. Mr. Beaver said "Yes." The couple stayed together all through high school. "We marched next to each other for three years," Miss Johnson says.

In 1999, Mr. Beaver left for college. He went only as far as UCSD. "I lived on campus," Mr. Beaver says. "But I still came home every other weekend." The following year, Miss Johnson enrolled at San Diego State. During their early college years, Miss Johnson and Mr. Beaver broke up for two years. "We had been together for so long," Mr. Beaver explains. "We both had some growing up to do. We needed to go our separate ways."

"But we still saw each other with family," Miss Johnson adds. "We still went out as friends."

In 2001, Miss Johnson decided to take a year off school and move to Boston. "I had it all set up to do some volunteer work at a health and family resource center in Worcester," she says.

Mr. Beaver had taken some time off college too. "I was burned out with school," he explains. "My roommate's dad was an electrician. He needed some help. So I withdrew from school and worked with him. We did residential — new construction mostly."

"We ended up getting back together the week before I left for Boston," Miss Johnson says and laughs.

"I didn't want to let her go so

far away without telling her how much I loved her," Mr. Beaver says. "We went to La Jolla Shores and had Chinese food."

"My mom was mad," Miss Johnson recalls. "John kept me out really late."

For the next ten months, the couple carried on a long-distance relationship. "It was hard," Miss Johnson admits.

"We saw each other when she came home for Christmas," Mr. Beaver says. "And I visited her on her birthday."

After Miss Johnson came back to San Diego in May 2002, she returned to San Diego State. She changed her major to social work. Mr. Beaver returned to UCSD. "Because we're so young, we stayed in school even though we had talked about getting married," Miss Johnson says. "We wanted to wait until we were both more established in our lives."

Two years after Miss Johnson returned from Boston, Mr. Beaver popped the question. "I wrote her a poem," he explains. "We went to La Jolla Shores on a Thursday for lunch. Chinese food again. I sat down behind Deanna and had her read the poem. When she was done, I opened up the box and handed her the ring."

Miss Johnson holds up her left hand to show a princess-cut solitaire shining in a white gold cathedral setting.

"She started jumping up and down," Mr. Beaver continues. "She wanted to go get it sized right away."

"We were supposed to go camping in a week," Miss Johnson elaborates. "I wanted to tell my family before we left. And I wanted to have the ring when I told them."

"The jewelry store made it a rush job," Mr. Beaver says. "She got her ring."

When Mr. Beaver and Miss Johnson get married in two years, they still won't be done with school. Mr. Beaver, who does system administrative and technical support for UCSD while he pursues his linguistics studies, plans to get a job in computers after graduation. Miss Johnson hopes to pursue social work and then become a stay-at-home mom.

"We're getting married at Holy Family Church in Linda Vista," Miss Johnson says. "It was my grandparents' church. After my grandma died, my grandpa had some windows put in in my grandma's memory. I think it will be a nice family touch."

— Leslie Ryland

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— Woody Allen

he culinary arts met the photographic arts recently for an event thrown by the Confrerie de la Chaine des Rotisseurs at the Museum of Photographic Arts (MoPA) in

I was ravishing in my dark violet gown, As if the low cut wasn't enough, Stephanie helped me pick out a Y-shaped necklace that pointed the way to my cleavage.

Balboa Park. Well, at least that's how it was described on the invitation. La Chaine is an elite group of wine and food afficionados. We were invited to this dining extravaganza because some of David's photographs are on display for his solo show at the internationally renowned museum (a sentence you should read as an invitation to go and see my man's fabulous photos).

The announcement instructed guests that the evening's dress code was "Formal with Chaine Decorations." After clarifying the meaning of the word "formal" with his contact, Sally Bixler (perky and proper

in all ways), David set out to buy a tux as I escaped to Macy's (having enlisted the powerful shopping duo of Stephanie and her mother Carol) to find an appropriate evening gown. David and I did not understand what "Chaine Decorations" meant, but rather than pester Mrs. Bixler, we decided to wait and find out for ourselves.

Before I tell you about this evening, and certainly before you think I have any right to comment on gastronomical delights, you must understand my aversion to elaborate food. Remember, I was raised on chicken and pasta. A decidedly unpleasant texture in my mouth need only brush against my tongue before my uvula slams against the back of my throat, as though ringing a bell, dismissing all objects in my stomach to come racing out

through my mouth like it's the last day of school. Therefore, any opinions I feel the need to divulge in the way of things ingested should be taken with the proverbial grain of salt. But there was more to this evening than tasty comestibles.

David looked adorable in his tuxedo. I was ravishing in my dark violet gown, complete with its shimmering skirt and delectably dipping décolletage. As if the low cut wasn't enough, Stephanie helped me pick out a Y-shaped necklace that pointed the way to my cleavage.

Our early arrival, for once, was not my doing — David wanted time to set up his 80-year-old wooden 8x10 camera for display. While he did so, I walked around the exhibits, spending some quiet time alone in the Circle of Memory installation. When I emerged from my private show, a handful of people had arrived, still greeting each other near the entrance. As punctual as they were well-dressed, the rest of the party wasn't long to appear. We collected our nametags from a table by the door and made our way around the ground

Many of the guests wore large purple V-shaped sashes draped around their necks.

Upon closer inspection, I could see that the center of each sash sported either a silver or gold chain, and at least one medal (or as David nicknamed them, "merit badges"). One man's "Chaine decoration" had so many medals, I could only see the color of his blue sash where

it rested on the back of his neck — blue sashes marked the officers of the group; purple marked the members. Looking at these older refined people flowing into the room in formal attire with sashes on display, I joked to a nonmember, "I wonder when the fezzes come out." According to the official crest of the club, this group has been around since the mid-1200s. Surely there must be some kind of ritual involved.

Couples gathered around David's photographs, asking him questions regarding his process, beginning with his antique camera and ending with the latest technology he uses for printing. Some inquired about the going price, which is always a positive thing for an artist trying to sell his work. As I stood around, listening to my love divulge his secrets, people circled the room like colorful koi fish in an elegant pond. Wine and hors d'oeuvres surfaced on trays, and I imagined them as lily pads.

The staccato clinking of a man tapping his fork against a wine glass beckoned us to attention. He invited us to take our seats, which were pre-assigned and marked by place cards. I had time to circle each table before others arrived, so we sat while the rest searched out their names. Once everyone was settled, the bailli (literally, bailiff; figuratively, the head cheese of the chapter) welcomed us and gave an overview of the meal ahead. Within San Diego's chapter, his position is the highest, and Hal (the name by which he introduced himself) was the man I had seen with the most



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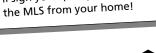
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"merit badges" on his sash.

Prior to this evening, based solely upon the invitation, I had expected a stuffy, uptight group. I had prepared myself to adapt to the crowd the same way I do when attending a dinner party on Martha's Vineyard or a gallery opening in Manhattan. I was pleasantly surprised when those at our table proved to be anything but "stuffy." Ira, "vice chancelier-argentier" (and don't ask me what it means), sat directly to my left. To complement his lawyership, our table was also graced with a judge. I was ecstatic to find that Ira had previously read my column (ahem...this one). As the second course was being served (the first being the treats on trays), conversation at our table was already lively, and the energy convivial.

The chefs were on loan from the fabulous Cohns, owners of some of San Diego's top restaurants. Jonathon Hale of Blue Point Coastal Cuisine, Aaron O'Mara of Dakota Grill & Spirits, and Jeff Thurston and Pennelope Watkins of The Prado created the artistic dishes, and every course was paired with a perfectly matched wine. When a plate that in a different crowd I would have referred to as "snails and shit" was set in front of me, I panicked. More accurately, it was titled, "Escargot Bordelaise with Garlic Flan." Except for myself and one other woman at the table (a strict vegetarian), the enthusiastic foodies cleaned their plates.

When David had finished devouring the cooked slugs, he looked to see how I was faring. I had managed to taste the garlic flan, but could not handle its cool, spongy consistency. Because my body is largely ruled by my psychoses, I couldn't bring myself to try the escargot slimy snails left slimy trails across the sidewalk in my mind, and the repulsive idea won out over the happy moans and groans of 40something people in the room. David nudged my arm and said, "Psst! Let's switch plates, and I'll finish yours." I refused, but only because I

didn't want him to fill up before he had the opportunity to taste the dishes ahead. After each course was served, the responsible chef came out of the kitchen to elaborate upon his or her creation, followed by applause from the grateful guests.

As the wine enhanced comfort levels, we found our table members to be quite charming. David discovered that a gentleman to his right was a fellow graduate of Cornell, and they shared nostalgic memories of places and things now obsolete. I chat-

ted with Ira about the writing he's done and learned more about his area of law. Everyone that I met was so nice and accepting, we felt we were among friends.

Throughout the meal, David revealed his knowledge of fine wine and dining,

as I proved my ignorance and limited tolerance for new things. But he apparently possessed the criteria of any respected La Chaine member, because Ira suggested that we join their elite, rewarding club. Of course, David was honored. Now we

are eager to go through the ropes (or sashes, if you will) to make it to the induction next year, eager to join the San Diego Chapter of La Chaine, so that we can travel the world and earn as many merit badges as our fine city's

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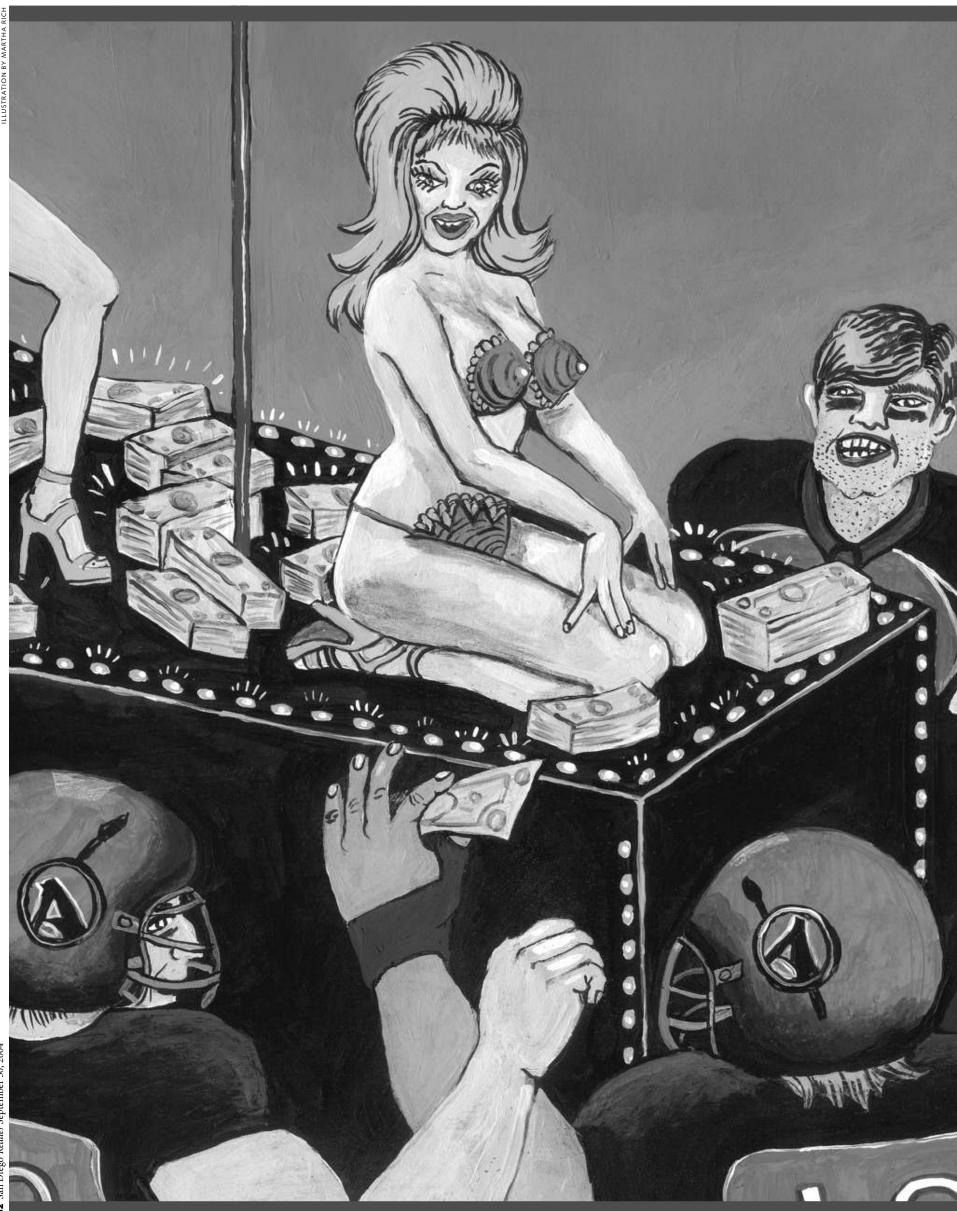
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For years, lurid stories about the program's culture of booze, strippers, and kinky pre-game sex, financed by wealthy team boosters, have been making the rounds.

N THE WEBSITE OF THE SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S TRACK TEAM, THERE IS THIS small entry for a young distance runner from Washington state: "Personal: Emily Yale Wynne was born August 22, 1983, in Yankton, S.D.... Daughter of Mary Wynne.... Has two brothers Ryan and Chaz.... Majoring in exercise and nutritional sciences.... High School: Lettered in cross country as a freshman in Washington and as a junior in South Dakota.... Team MVP in both track and cross country as a junior.... Also earned letters in basketball, soccer and swimming.... Graduated from Okanagan High School in Okanagan, Wash."

Until last spring, the then–20-year-old Emily had another full-time occupation, one not mentioned in her SDSU bio. She was an exotic dancer at Cheetahs strip club on Clairemont Mesa Boulevard. Her stage name, according to the adult-entertainment permit she received two years ago from the San Diego Police Department, was Dreamer. Before Cheetahs, the permit says, she worked for a year at Déjà Vu, another strip joint, beginning in October 2002, when she was barely 19. In the box on the form designated "prior criminal convictions," she listed a charge of "minor in posesion [sic]," in Harrisburg, South Dakota, on October 1, 2001.

Emily doesn't run track for SDSU anymore. Last spring, she said in a telephone interview, she was forced to leave the team because of painful bunions she had developed after years of nude dancing in adult nightclubs. She said she was leaving California and moving to Arizona State University, where her mother was teaching. She denied rumors going around campus that she had been forced from the track team in the wake of an ESPN story, aired last March, in which a San Diego stripper, her face concealed, identified only as Nicole, alleged that she had entertained at parties held in the late 1990s where recruits of the SDSU football program were present.





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SDSU athletic director Mike Bohn denied those charges in an e-mail circulated to football boosters and leaked to the media the day after the program aired on the cable network. "This report is just one more in a continuing barrage of unfounded allegations about our athletics programs," the e-mail said. "Such statements are, we firmly believe, false." Not mentioned in the e-mail was the fact that Bohn's predecessor, Rick Bay, told a reporter for the *Union*-*Tribune* in July 2003 that he had been forced to resign after a university auditor uncovered a 2001 photograph of a group of SDSU coaches, players, and boosters surrounding a topless dancer at a strip club called Columbus Gold in Columbus, Ohio.

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After promising to provide more details of her life at SDSU in a faceto-face interview in May, Wynne called back to say she had been advised (by people she declined to identify) not to say anything further. She failed to return subsequent telephone calls, and eventually her telephone was disconnected. Attempts to ascertain her present whereabouts have been unsuccessful.

Whatever the reason, the timing of Wynne's departure was convenient for SDSU and its troubled athletic program. For years, stories about the program's culture of booze, strippers, and pregame sex, financed by wealthy team boosters, have been making the

rounds. Lately, even uglier rumors about connections to Las Vegas Mafia members and casino gambling interests have emerged. Allegations have also circulated that money has been paid to certain players for point shaving — the practice of keeping scores within certain ranges to allow gamblers to profit from preordained point spreads. Such allegations have been repeatedly denied by the university, but the allegations refuse to die.

Rumors of alleged financial irregularities involving the athletic program's nonprofit fundraising organization and booster club, the Aztec Athletic Foundation, have added to the intrigue and backbiting at the school. According to state records, the founda-



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tion was suspended by the secretary of state's office this August for failing to file its annual report. The university has said that the group does not file an annual tax return with the Internal Revenue Service, as most nonprofit charities are required to do. Instead, the university says, the estimated \$1.5 million taken in each year by the booster club is handled by the San Diego State University Foundation, which provides no separate public accounting of the athletic foundation's finances.

Reached by phone last week, Craig Nelson, a local banker and current president of the Aztec Athletic Foundation, said he was aware that the group had been suspended by the secretary of state's office and didn't expect the foundation's official status to be renewed. "I think that it won't be reinstated and that it will lapse and the group will continue to function in the way that [SDSU administrators] have it formatted. I don't know what the exact details are. It wasn't any kind of sanction.

"There was something to do with how we fall within the university and it had to be restructured, but it was sort of a paperwork issue, sort of an administrative thing." After consulting a university official, Nelson called back to elaborate. "We let that expire because everything will go into the Campanile Foundation. All of the gifts will roll up through the Campanile Foundation." The Campanile Foundation is a nonprofit organization set up by SDSU to collect and funnel money into university operations.

"I don't know if there is going to be an announcement," Nelson added. "All of the money gets pooled and rolled up into this Campanile Foundation, which effectively manages that money and keeps it invested. But are we still a

501(c)3 charitable organization, or are we a subsidiary of the Campanile Foundation? That's a good question." In a letter dated August 8 of this year, California State University attorney Steven Raskovich said that the

Aztec Athletic Foundation was not "a recognized auxiliary organization" of the university.

As is common in today's world of college athletics, select members of the SDSU coaching staff (and the university's

sports executives who supervise them) are handsomely paid and receive perks such as free cars, clothing, and event tickets. According to documents obtained from SDSU under the California public-records act, the

San Diego State University Foundation makes quarterly payments of \$1025 for each of the automobiles furnished to at least ten coaches, including four assistant football coaches, the head women's track coach, the

head swim coach, and the head softball coach.

Employment contracts for Tom Craft, the school's head football coach, and Steve Fisher, the head basketball coach, show that each is entitled to two free cars, though

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the university-furnished records do not indicate whether they had actually received them. Both Craft's and Fisher's salaries — in Craft's case \$400,000 and Fisher's \$375,000 — are also subsidized by the foundation, according to their contracts.

In SDSU athletic director Mike Bohn's case, his December 2003 letter of engagement calls for an entity called Aztec Shops to provide him with a \$100,000 "housing loan."

According to state records, Aztec Shops is a nonprofit "Public Benefit" corporation that runs the student bookstore, mess hall, and other SDSU concessions. Why and how it was called upon to subsidize Bohn's mortgage has not been explained.

According to the letter, Bohn is the beneficiary of a "goal-based performance bonus agreement," under which "the University may, but is not required to, instruct Aztec Shops Ltd. to forgive the next annual principal and interest payment on the loan for the year under review."

In addition, Bohn has reported on his staterequired personal financial-disclosure form that

last year he received a \$5000 membership to the Stoneridge Country Club in Poway. Contacted by phone, Bohn declined to reveal the source of the free membership, although state law requires the public disclo-

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Many of the perks and payments provided to athletic staffers and players at SDSU are common in today's commercialized world of college sports. But even there, the NCAA, which is supposed to oversee the schools, has drawn lines, many of which, records of state investigations show, have been crossed by SDSU. The school's financial quid pro quos, along with the tales of drinking and trips to strip clubs in San Diego and Tijuana, have been the repeated subject

of official and unofficial scrutiny from the NCAA and California State University system auditors.

An April 2003 audit conducted by California State University auditor Larry Mandel concluded that those in charge at SDSU illegally traded "clothing, gear, and equipment" belonging to the university for "access to sporting events, concerts, and other entertainment." Mandel also found that "Athletic stock was openly taken...for personal use or benefit by Athletics employees and

others." In addition, some staff members "bartered shoes for merchandise with a sporting-goods vendor."

The report singled out then-equipmentroom manager Steve Bartel for strong criticism, accusing him of trading or giving away clothing and equipment that was the property of the university. "The ER Manager established a relationship with an employee at a local entertainment venue whereby he could arrange for discounted and complimentary admission to

events for himself and other Athletics employees. These discounted and complimentary tickets were effected through a barter of Stock."

The auditor went on to portray an out-of-control working environment, where student helpers were plied with booze and required to work more hours than they were paid for. "Alcoholic beverages were found to be stored in four different locations within the facilities controlled by the equipment room manager. All but one of

these locations was accessible by student workers," the report found. Further, the equipment-room manager "encouraged underage consumption of alcohol."

"The equipment room manager was regularly seen taking items from inventory for personal use or being traded for personal benefit," the audit alleged. "He traded clothing and gear for air travel upgrades to firstclass seating, admission to a local amusement park and sporting events, and for other athletic clothes

and gear, which were said to include golf clubs for himself and others. Personal services unrelated to Athletics business were also traded for stock.

"We were told that the most commonly misappropriated items were caps, shirts, and shoes. However, direct evidence which could support the precise amount that was mishandled/misappropriated could not be established.

"Various Athletics employees have stated that they observed the loading of athletic shoes









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from the athletics equipment room manager to a nonstate vehicle during nonbusiness hours. This loading was being performed by the Senior Associate Athletic Director (AAD), the equipment room manager, and the principal for a local sporting goods dealer.

"In addition, we obtained statements from University employees and others which described this removal of shoes from the areas having occurred for a number of years. According to the equipment room manager and the senior AAD, this transaction was a barter for other stock. The equipment room manager indicated that few records of these transactions were retained by him. Athletics accounting personnel indicated that they had no record or knowledge of this transaction."

In the wake of the audit, equipment-room

manager Bartel was fired by the university, but in February 2004, after he filed an appeal with the state personnel board, SDSU backed down and agreed to rehire him. "Mr. Bartel and his family are pleased to see that San Diego State recognized [its] serious errors in judgment," Bartel's attorney, Paul Kondrick, said in a statement. "It was unfortunate that Mr. Bartel has had to bear the humiliation of the last 18

months. Steve is now looking forward to returning to his job." Bartel continued on the university payroll but did not go back to his previous job. Instead, he works in the events office.

Ex-athletic director Rick Bay, forced out by SDSU president Stephen Weber after the audit, saw Bartel's reinstatement as a vindication of sorts. "I was fired because I believed the audit to be irresponsible and inaccurate," he told reporters. "Clearly there were holes in it, otherwise these allegations would have held up.... I would hope this situation gives pause to a lot of the other allegations that were in the final audit report."

Some university insiders had another interpretation: SDSU administrators did not want any more of their dirty laundry aired in public and decided to cut their losses. They had not initiated the state audit and were more than happy to see its findings called into question and the issues that it raised die an early death. Bartel sub-

sequently filed a defamation suit against the university, several of its officials and employees, along with some boosters who had criticized him on the Internet. The bulk of that suit is still pending.

In it he called the auditor's investigation sloppy and inaccurate and lashed out at the SDSU president and his top aide, Sally Roush, claiming that he had been scapegoated for practices that had long been common on the campus. He alleged that there had been "ongoing requests directly to Bartel,

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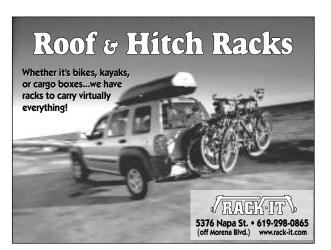


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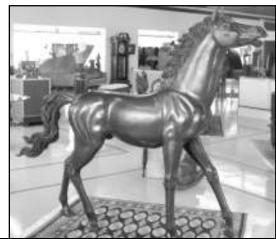


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"For instance [they] requested six or more 'golf umbrellas' from Bartel when such items were not within the equipment or athletic department inventory or stock or stores."

The lawsuit also attacked Weber for talking to the press about the bythen-infamous Polaroid photo taken of Bartel and several "student assistants" with a naked dancer at the Columbus Gold strip club in Ohio. Bartel, the lawsuit said, had posed for the photo "during his recreation and off-duty hours in the

Bartel maintained, were harmless enough. But in an attempt to smear the equipment manager, the complaint charged, Weber went to the media, exaggerated the seriousness of the incident, and "spoke publicly and openly and with disdain and total disregard for plaintiff Bartel's privacy rights and interests, commenting on plaintiff's own personal lifestyle."

The administrators were so eager to get dirt on Bartel, the suit alleged, that they searched his personal property for damning evidence and downloaded data from a small computing device he owned. The university "further invaded plaintiff's privacy by, and through, their 'hot synching' of plaintiff's private, personally owned Palm Pilot to extract personal and confidential information."

In support of his claims, Bartel filed with the court a number of emails, memos, and other material he said the state





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of them, he insisted, were bogus. "As well as being connected around the country," according to one of the statements, "Bartel is well-wired on the SDSU campus. He has close contacts with John Carpenter, the campus chief of police, and his assistant, Captain Steve Williams, Mike Smoger, the public safety administrator for parking, Dan Nowak, the ex-vice president of student affairs and many numerous businessmen and women (boosters included) in the city of San Diego. He has close relationships with these people because he gives them state property

[clothing] on a yearly basis.

"Bartel could furnish these people clothing by over-ordering for sports teams and by neglecting to issue it to its intended purpose — the SDSU athletes. Bartel is a bully without bite. He knows he has support from Redfern, Bay, and anybody from the aforementioned group. He plays double standards with the football players and coaches. If you're a coach and you kissed Bartel's butt, then he would reward you with your designated list of coaches' clothing. In addition to this, he would give you 'gifts.' These gifts

would be a range of different items from Oakley sunglasses to Nike apparel."

As a result of those allegations, which his lawsuit called "part of a sinister scheme to discredit and humiliate him," along with the battle over his job, Bartel "developed a major depressive disorder and a generalized anxiety disorder" requiring him to see several psychiatrists. He was "frightened to start over at age 50," and his "son has been victim of abusive teasing as a result of newspaper stories" about the firing. He also experienced "significant weight gain," "sleepwalking," and "paranoid thoughts," forcing him to begin taking several antipsychotic and sleepinducing drugs, including Wellbutrin, Xanax, Paxil, and Ambien.

But as his attorney sought to discredit many of the witnesses in a series of depositions, a host of fresh allegations and ugly details about life on campus also emerged.

In a deposition taken for the case in January of this year, then-defendant John Spriet, a former student who had once worked for Bartel in the equipment room, testified he had seen Bartel looking at pornography on a university computer. "In some of our early-morning practices, one of Mr. Bartel's favorite sites was www.thehung.com. This was a site that displayed a

lot of pictures. And there was joking a few times that I personally caught Mr. Bartel there early in the morning viewing these pictures."

Spriet also testified about alcohol abuse. "My freshman year, fresh out of my small farm town, there was an incident after a game where Mr. Bartel and I shared a bottle of Jack Daniel's. I passed out in my dorm room, walked into a woman's restroom, and had to go to an alcohol class for that. I was almost kicked out of the dorm. So it was a giant joke.

"Other incidents, our coaches' clinics. Beer being provided for the coaches, beer in the locker room for the coaches, and we were encouraged to finish it, to get rid of it."

Asked by Bartel's

attorney whether Bartel had provided the encouragement, Spriet responded, "Exactly, sir." He also described drunken road trips. "We had a situation where we could fly first class, and one of the complimentary things of first class is being able to drink for free."

There was, Spriet said, "competition among us student managers to see who could get the drunkest or drink the most in the shortest amount of time. Mr. Bartel traveled with us."

And Spriet shed new light on how the underage students managed to make their way into nude dancing clubs using boosters' connections. "We used a booster's ID one night for a short time to get in. The boosters









would usually distract the bouncer, and we would just go right by, or they knew somebody there that we just walked right by."

At one point Bartel's attorney asked Spriet, "But how did Mr. Bartel make you go to these clubs if he wasn't driving the truck or the vehicle? I'm kind of curious."

Spriet responded, "As our immediate supervisor, Steve asking us to go, whether he was driving or not, we felt obligated to go. We felt that we were underage. We knew we could get in because we had Steve and the boosters. Therefore, it was fun for us."

In another deposition, David Ohton, then the football team's strength-training coach, testified about an airline upgrade Bartel had arranged. "I was at an airport in LAX and waiting for a redeye flight to Miami, and Steve showed up with an assistant

equipment manager. We didn't even know we had the same flight. And he took my ticket, went to the counter. I came back and they called me up. She asked me for my ticket, and she switched me. And I looked at my ticket and I was in first class."

Asked by Bartel's lawyer whether Bartel had given "some equipment or property belonging to San Diego State to get that," Ohton responded, "Yes... I boarded the plane and the captain came out of the cabin wearing a San Diego State hat." Ohton added that "Steve had a bag of San Diego State hats and shirts [and said], 'I do this all the time.'

But the equipment room was not the only troublesome aspect of SDSU's athletic operation. The auditor said he had discovered other evidence of fraud and criminal conflict of interest. "Athletics employees permitted a sporting goods vendor access to the University and its employees, which was not offered to the same extent as to other vendors," according to the report.

"Athletics failed to accurately report its revenues and expenses. This failure potentially impacts various mandated reporting requirements established by the Internal Revenue Service and Title IX. The failure also falls short of the procurement goals of the CSU with regard to elimination of favoritism, fraud, and corruption.

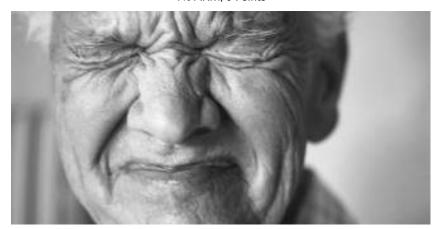
"Documents and statements indicate that the vendor was provided, without charge, tickets to Athletics events and clothing similar to that received by boosters. We also were informed that the vendor presented gifts and gratuities to Athletics employees, including golf outings and meals for the Equipment room manager...

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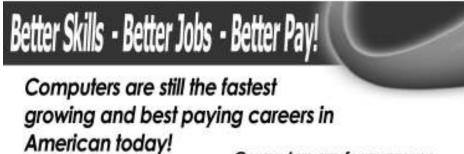
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Athletic Director's vehicle...

"Tickets were released with little documentation," the report said, and "The equity of trades was inadequately managed, and certain instances existed where the value of what was given was greater than what was received."

In late 2001/early 2002, the athletic department came under scrutiny for violation of NCAA bylaws governing impermissible out-of-season practice activities and a failure to monitor the football program. The NCAA report states that

some of the violations were uncovered through on-campus interviews and also concludes that the department failed to successfully establish an environment that would have caused staff to report possible rule violations.

"Several employees interviewed during this investigation explained that they did not report violations or other problems because they saw the senior [assistant athletic director] as quick tempered and intolerant, other athletics administrators as being incapable of appropriately carrying concerns forward.

"The natural reticence of an employee to bring problems concerning colleagues to a supervisor, and most particularly to a top administrator several levels removed from the employee, has not been erased or sufficiently mitigated by the existing policies, procedures, and practices in Athletics."

When finally released in the spring of 2003, the auditor's report caused an uproar. SDSU president Stephen Weber pledged to clean up the sports program and vowed that he would root out whatever fraud and corruption remained. But in-house critics, pointing to the sloppy way in which the university has monitored fundraising activities and spending of the Aztec

February, the strength coach was dragged into the investigation after getting a call from Cal State auditor Michael Redmond. "Mr. Redmond advised Coach Ohton of his duty to truthfully cooperate in CSU's audit

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of SDSU's athletic programs, including football. Although Coach Ohton was apprehensive, he was also cognizant of his legal and ethical duties to cooperate with CSU's auditor. Unlike others who lied to, concealed facts from, or otherwise intentionally misled Mr. Redmond, Coach Ohton responded candidly, truthfully, and in good faith to Mr. Redmond's inquiries."

According to Ohton's complaint, he had been suspicious of incoming head football coach Tom Craft ever since a 2002 incident in which Craft allegedly conducted illegal football practices in contravention of the rules of the NCAA. "In violation of these rules, SDSU football coaches ordered the football players to line up in traditional formations and run plays using a taped-up towel as a football. Notably, Coach Ohton personally warned

Coach Craft that NCAA

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regulations prohibited these practices.

"These illegal practices resulted in an NCAA investigation, findings of NCAA violations and resulted in a penalty against the SDSU football program, including a two-year probation." Furthermore, Ohton claimed, "The NCAA increased the penalty against the SDSU Aztecs football team because Coach Craft and/or others on his coaching staff lied to NCAA investigators."

In the belief that his identity would be shielded from Weber and the subjects of the investigation, Ohton supplied Redmond with hundreds of pages of what he said were carefully documented leads to wrong-

doing, fraud, and criminal activities he alleged were being committed by university employees. The revelations featured in the resulting audit, notes Ohton's complaint, "led to the forced resignation of SDSU's Athletic Director Richard Bay, the early retirement of former Senior Associate Director Vance Redfern, and the termination of Senior Associate Athletic Director Jana Doggett."

Ohton says he didn't expect to get a medal for turning in the athletic program, but neither was he prepared to be betrayed by the university. Despite Redfern's assurances, Ohton's unease grew as he began to hear murmurs that people in the highest echelons at

SDSU had somehow found out about his cooperation with the investigation and were out to get him. In May 2003, a month after the audit was issued, SDSU president Stephen Weber distributed a memo in which he purported to be concerned about protecting whistleblowers from retaliation.

"As we begin to receive more specific information with regard to the auditor's findings, it is possible that information will emerge about colleagues in the department that have been interviewed by the auditor," Weber wrote. "I want to make it absolutely clear that there must be no retaliation in any way against people who have

done a public service to the citizens of California, to this university, and to the Department of Athletics by calling these problems to the attention of the auditor. I want everyone on notice that if there are any retaliatory actions taken toward employees who have cooperated in this audit, those retaliating will be subject to disciplinary action."

In June 2003, about two months after the audit exploded over the school, Ohton learned that his role as whistle-blower had been exposed to David Powroznik, the director of football operations. "Coach Ohton later discovered that Coach Craft had improperly obtained and distributed to several SDSU Athletic

Department employees copies of Coach Ohton's written report to the CSU auditor Mr. Redmond," according to Ohton's lawsuit. "Thereafter, members of SDSU's administration and staff began to retaliate against Coach Ohton because of his cooperation with CSU's audit.

"During September 2003, the SDSU Aztecs football program stripped Coach Ohton of the benefits of his position, which he had earned over 18 years of exemplary service to the University. Coach Ohton did not receive the allocated equipment, including shirts, shorts, and warm-ups, bearing the SDSU logo and a Nike stipend which he was normally authorized. In

addition, Coach Ohton was stripped of his skybox privileges, field pass, and parking pass for SDSU Aztec football games."

But the blood feud that grew between Ohton and Craft became far more personal. Defensive lineman Brook Miller told Ohton's lawyers that he had personally witnessed Craft's rage during a team meeting in the autumn of 2003. "I could tell Coach Craft was angry because his tone was loud, sharp, and he was pacing back and forth in front of the whole team. He was wearing his sunglasses, as he usually does, and he told us that there were people who were trying to bring down the football program.

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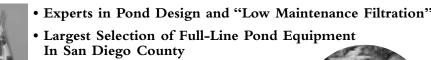
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"Then, he said the 'strength coach' or 'strength program' is one of those people who were backstabbing him and this was going to hurt us," Miller continued. "Coach Craft told the players not to socialize with the strength coach anymore and to keep everything we do in-house and not to trust 'him.' He said these things as he was pointing down towards the first floor, where Coach Ohton's office is located."

In August, Ohton himself sent a memo to Weber, describing his treatment at the hands of Craft. "One assistant warned me that Craft stated to all of them that 'Ohton is trying to fuck me, and I'm going to fuck him twice.' On Wednesday August 6, at noon, Gene Bartow and Dave Powroznik came to my office and asked me for a quick minute. Bartow explained to me that 'Football was a family and that I was no longer part

of that family.' He told me effective immediately I was relieved of all field responsibilities for football."

Craft's allegedly erratic behavior and his vendetta against Ohton became the talk of campus insiders as Ohton sat out the rest of the 2003 football season. But the strength coach turned out to be a formidable opponent. As he prepared to sue Craft and the university under the state's whistleblower statute intended to protect government employees from intimidation and retaliation when they report fraud and other criminal activities — Ohton's legal team, led by attorney Dennis Schoville, began to take sworn testimony from those who claimed that Craft was more than just mildly out of control.

In short, witness after witness told Ohton's lawyers, Craft had a bigtime drinking problem, and university administrators had looked the other way while their \$400,000 football coach (who, records show, had pled guilty to a North County drunk-driving charge in 1997) was taking its vaunted football program into the ground and putting its student players at risk.

"Drinking became a problem with the football program," related defensive lineman Miller. "During the two-a-day camp, players were going out to get drunk and coming back just before the morning. Curfews or bed checks were inconsistent. Road trips were the same. No one checked to see if we were in our rooms. During this past season a group of six to nine players would meet every Thursday at 11 a.m. at the 4.0 Deli and drink until they had to report to meetings at 1:30 p.m. Oftentimes, the players would just skip the meetings and show up to practice. Some of the players

were seriously drunk, and not a single coach said a thing."

Teammate Anthony Foli provided even more detail. "He would close his [regular Friday-night road trip] speech by saying, 'My mouth's dry and I need to get a tall drink of water.' All of the players would laugh because we knew he was talking about going to get some beers. Many times on the plane ride home from road games, players would pour liquor into their soft drink beverages. I remember seeing Coach Kaumeyer telling player Ryan Iata to keep it down. He didn't tell him to put it away, rather he told him to keep it down so the boosters and administrators couldn't see him

drinking.

"Two years ago, 2002, before our road game in Idaho, we were in the locker room, and just before the game, Coach Craft walked by me and several of my teammates. He reeked of liquor. His breath was heavy with the smell of alcohol. I wasn't the only one that noticed. I talked about it with a few teammates sitting next to me. Our assistant coaches, like Coach Craft, were all very lethargic during the game and at halftime. We got beaten soundly by a weaker opponent that day.

"At our recent postseason football awards banquet, free beer was served to any football player who walked up to the bar area. It seemed that at least 80 percent of our team was drinking, and many players were underage. Prior to the banquet starting, the players, coaches, and others were in the hallway drinking very heavily. I had free mixed-drink tickets, which were provided by the coaches, and when the banquet started, I received free beer. Many senior players repeatedly left their chairs during the ceremony and returned with several drinks in their hands.

"The coaches could see that the players were drinking, but they never said a word. My parents were very surprised and disgusted that the SDSU football coaches did nothing to stop the players from drinking.

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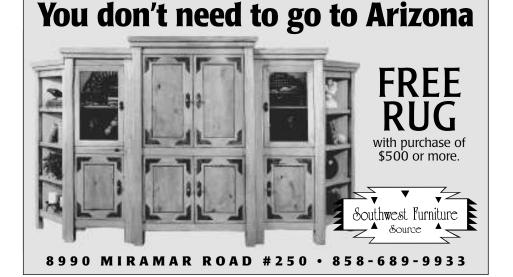
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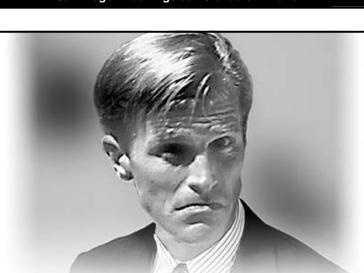
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"On every Thursday, between six to ten players would meet around 11 a.m. and drink beer until the 1:30 p.m. [football practice] meetings. I attended one of these rituals, but I didn't get drunk like many of my teammates who did at this time. On two occasions, I recall some of our defensive linemen falling down.... It was obvious that they were drunk, and the coaches would just tell them to go over and stand on the sidelines.

"What made it worse was that the younger players saw this and believed it was acceptable. This is likely why 'positive' results on drug tests have doubled in the past two years. The young players don't seem to care

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During a July deposition in the case, player Jonathan Ingram, now an offensive lineman for the Kansas City Chiefs, related another experience he said he'd had while on the road in Laramie, Wyoming, with the team in the fall of 2002.

Asked by a lawyer for Ohton whether he believed that Coach Craft and his assistants had been out drinking late one night, Ingram responded, "Yes." Asked why he thought so, he said, "The loud commotion, how they were behaving themselves, and Coach Ohton had discussed with me that Coach House's family member owned a bar in Wyoming, and that just gave me even more reason. And the time of their coming back in." He also described an incident during a game in New Mexico during which, Ingram claimed, he smelled alcohol on the breath when Craft came into the huddle.

Don Sutton, a team booster, told a similar tale in another declaration. "On or around November 8, 2002, I was invited by the San Diego State University's athletic department to travel with the SDSU Aztec football team on an away game to Albuquerque, New Mexico, to watch them play the New Mexico Lobos. I was a booster, hired by Barona, for the SDSU athletic department during that time period."

Sutton recounted sitting in the lobby of the team hotel with some friends. "We were facing the main doorway, and at around 1:00 a.m., SDSU Coach Craft and [Coach] Powroznik walked in. Coach Craft was stumbling, and I easily recognized that he was very drunk. In reference to Coach Craft's drunken appearance, I said... 'Some things never die,' because I had been told...that

Coach Craft had also gotten drunk the night before the Idaho road game during the same season." Shortly afterwards, Sutton said, "I saw Coach Craft using the wall to hold himself up."

But Sutton claimed he was troubled by more than just Craft's drunkenness. His complaint mirrored Ohton's allegations of having been outed by university administrators for blowing the whistle on the coach's bad behavior. "During the summer of 2003, I received a phone call from SDSU Vice President Sally Roush," Sutton said. "I told Ms. Roush what I knew. She told me that she wanted me to come in and sign documents. I explained to Ms. Roush that I would provide this testimony confidentially to her, but only if the others, the administrative employees in the athletic department who would corroborate my information, failed to come forward.

"I was hesitant to come forward because I had a son who played high school football, and I wanted him to be recruited by SDSU. I explained this to Ms. Roush, and I thought she would be sensitive to my situation." A few days later, Sutton said, he got a phone call from some associates who had found out he had been an "informant" to Roush. "I was angry at Ms. Roush because she knew my constraints and yet she revealed my identity after

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There was also a slapping incident, as related by player Jonathan Ingram, for which Craft later was forced to apologize. "Coach Craft then began to talk to the whole team about a fight that some players were involved in a few days before this meeting," Ingram recalled. "Coach Craft was extremely upset and his voice was raised above his normal level of talking. I was standing next to the red-shirt freshman player Mike Kracalik, who was on a knee while listening to Coach Craft.

"Coach Craft had his hands on his hips, and he was explaining to us that he was tired of hearing about football players retaliating and fighting when confronted by people looking for fights. He stated, 'I'm tired of hearing you players getting caught and getting kicked out of school.' He further added, 'If someone walks up to you, just walk away. If someone walks up to you and hits you, you can't hit back.'

"After saying this, Coach Craft raised his right hand and slapped player Mike Kracalik across the left cheek of his face. The slap was hard and unbelievable. Mike dropped his head down. I asked myself, 'Did he just do that?' I

was shocked at how hard he hit Mike, and I was embarrassed for him. Coach Craft continued to talk, and I watched Mike raise his head back up and pay attention to Coach Craft. This incident scared me. I looked at Coach Craft much differently from then on."

Craft has since aplogized for the slap, but he and the university have denied many of the other allegations in Ohton's lawsuit. They claim that many of the sworn statements were made by friends of Ohton, who defendants allege lied or exaggerated their allegations. With dozens of new depositions in the works, the scandal at SDSU is sure to grow. ■

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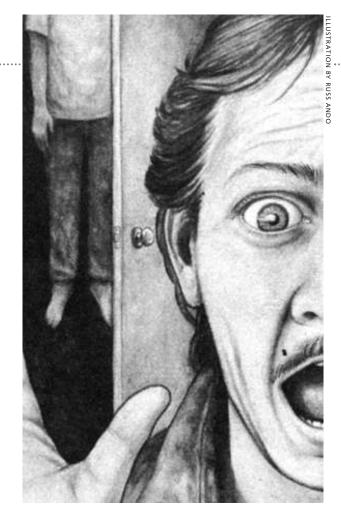
During the summer, John began telling me about his financial difficulties. He didn't have a full-time job when I lived there. He wasn't receiving much work as a painter and part-time waiter at a restaurant downtown. His band wasn't getting many gigs. He said he was having difficulty paying his mortgage.

Then one Monday, I came home from work around 2:00 p.m. When I pulled up in front of the house, I noticed John's van was parked in the driveway with a tarp over the front end. I went inside and into my bedroom. A few minutes later a man came to tow away the minivan. I went out to the livdoor open. I knocked. No response. I thought John must be asleep or have left in a hurry when someone came to pick him up.

Wednesday

This morning, I noticed the bike and doors were still unlocked and unmoved. I went to work and got off early again. When I got home, nothing had changed. John's mail was on the table, doors were still open, bike still outside, and flowers still on the table. I called a friend and told her how weird this all

I knocked on his door



I could push to lock it. I didn't feel anything, so I shut the door so it would look locked, even though it wasn't.

Thursday and Friday

Nothing changed. John's bike was in the living room, his bedroom door still open, and

Saturday

pounded on the front door. He and another guy came in the house. The band member asked me if John was dead. He was worried. He said their band had gigs scheduled at a bar in Pacific Beach on New Year's Eve. John had not shown up. They'd called the restaurant where John worked, and he hadn't shown up for a week. Then the band member told me John had been drinking the night of the accident. The band member had called all the jails in San Diego County, and John wasn't being held in any of them. I told the two guys about the bike and doors being open on Tuesday and that I had gone in John's room and he'd not been there.

After the two guys left, I called my friend Jennifer and told her what they'd said. I then decided to go into John's bedroom to listen to his answering machine to see if I could determine where he might be by the messages on his machine. There were four or five messages from his car-insurance company telling John to call them regarding his accident claim and a few from some woman who acted like she and John had something planned, but John hadn't shown up. There was one message from some guy, who didn't leave his name, with the number of a public defender who would be able to help John. When I heard this, I was sure John was in jail. I thought the police must have figured John had been legally drunk at the time of the accident and had come by and arrested him. I called the band member's home and spoke with his wife and gave her the messages.

THE SECRET OF and went in and searched

ing room and asked John what was wrong. He said he had been in an accident that morning.

I went into the game room with John to look at a guitar that'd been in back of his van. The guitar was smashed. He said he was upset that the guitar was ruined.

Tuesday, I got off early from work. When I got home, I noticed the front storage closet door was open several inches and John's mountain bike was leaning unlocked against the front of the house. Someone had put three roses in the mailbox for John. I entered the house and noticed John's bedroom

bedroom and bathroom. I opened the shower curtain. Nothing. No one. Outside, it was dark. I stuck John's bicycle in the living room.

I was going to open the storage closet door to see if I could put it in there but didn't because it was dark. Instead, I opened the storage closet door several inches and put my hand behind the door to see if there was a lock

his mail untouched.

Around 10:00 p.m. one of John's band members

I wasn't able to sleep.

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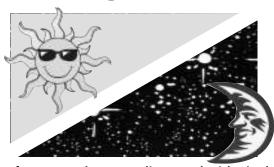
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Sunday

During the night I decided I was going to get up and go check the storage closet in the morning, go talk with three of our neighbors who were home during the day who knew what was going on in the neighborhood, and also call the San Diego County Jail to find out for myself whether John was in jail. I got up and talked with three neighbors; they hadn't seen anything. I was hoping they would tell me they had seen the police pick up John on Tuesday.

I went back in the house and called the San Diego County Jail. A woman told me John wasn't in their jail. I asked whether someone would be able to request no information be given out if they didn't want anyone to know they were in jail. She told me no, so then I thought there was only one other place I had not checked that had been open on Tuesday.

I walked outside to the storage door. I pushed on the door and opened it. I saw the rope around John's neck and John's face looking at me. I screamed and ran into the house and called Jennifer to come right away. Then I called 911 and told them my roommate had hung himself. The voice at 911 asked me if John was still warm. I said I wasn't going to touch him because he'd been dead since Tuesday.

I went into shock. A policeman called a crisis counselor volunteer. She was there until the coroner arrived. Two neighbors came over and asked me what happened. I told them John had committed suicide. For me, the worst of this is that I had been sleeping in that house for five nights while John was hanging in the storage closet.

- Rick Sloan

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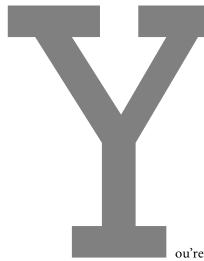


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"She looked as if she were telling the truth, though with women, especially blue-eyed women, that doesn't always mean anything."

—DASHIELL HAMMETT

RED-DIAPER BLUE-EYED BLONDE



You push through the loud, raucous crowd and

buy another round. Hers is a Stoli martini.

ou're stuck in an airport on a Friday night. Maybe it's winter. Den-

ver's closed down, Kennedy backed up. The girl at the check-in counter tells you, "Come back in two hours, nine-thirty, and I can tell you more." You find the bar. The bar's crowded. Smells of cheap beer on tap and wool on bodies come in from the cold. On the television screen Larry King grimaces at Dr. Phil. Above loud voices and jolts of laughter and loudspeaker announcements you can't hear what Larry says to the doc. Takes you fifteen minutes standing in line, irritated by the high-pitched whir of a Waring blender struggling to chop ice with tequila and margarita mix, before you acquire two double Scotches. Then you get lucky, snatch a table an arguing couple's standing up from. You're beat. Dried sweat inside your jacket and the day's humiliations make you think about buying that

ticket to Noa-Noa, if you knew where the hell Noa-Noa was, is. You think about chucking it all the way that old painter fellow Gauguin did. Never going back.

I'm supposing you are a man. I'm supposing that a good-looking blonde loaded down with garment bag and brief case and black purse, drink in her hand, speaks to you. She asks if she can use the other chair at the table that every time you bump it with your knee or the scuffed toe of your Cole-Haan, spills more of your second Scotch. You say, "Sure thing," and grab your bag off the chair.

Once you're across from each other, you see the blonde up close, see dry

lines around her blue eyes and deeper lines around her pretty mouth. She's as old as you. Must have been a beauty in her day. Still gorgeous. Built nice. No wedding ring. English

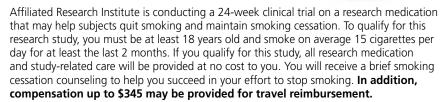
Turns out she's going where you're going. Same flight

"Sally Belfrage, pronounced Bell-fridge," she puts out her hand, you shake it. Not married. She was. But they're still friends. Bernard Pomer-

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She's drained her drink. You push through the crowd and buy another round. Hers is a Stoli martini. You need something in your stomach. You buy peanuts and cashews and pretzels. "Protein," you say, and hand over the nuts.

She talks as if she's not talked to anyone for weeks. Talks, sometimes, as if past were present. Born in Hollywood, 1936. Her parents wanted a boy. They were going to name him Fred, after the victim of one of Hilaire Belloc's *Cautionary Tales:* "When Help arrived, among the Dead / Were Cousin Mary, Little Fred."

Myrna Loy was Sally's godmother. Myrna Loy the movie star, who played Nora Charles in the series of *The Thin Man* films. "She gave me an engraved spoon and pusher, in a basket with six bottles of champagne."

Parents Cedric and Molly, English. Monied, but not fabulously. Between them, by the time they died in the late 1980s, her parents were married eight times. When they met, Mom had already been married once. Dad, bit of a

womanizer, been married to American silent film star Virginia Bradford, who seduced all his friends before he divorced her. Cedric and Molly, when they met, were big cheeses in Lord Beaverbrook's London Daily Express, especially Molly. Cedric wrote about films and theater. Molly — Molly Castle she called herself — had her own column. Beaverbrook billed her as "The Girl Everyone Reads" and "Britain's Number One Woman Journalist," had her photo papered across chassis of London busses.

out the trip my mother was pregnant with me. There is a photo of her with a big belly in Baku against a backdrop of a flower bed planted to resemble Stalin's face." Cedric was dazzled by what he saw as the accomplishments of the new Soviet society. Molly, little interested in politics, enthused only because Cedric did. "And Daddy was getting politics the way some people get religion."

When the newlyweds arrived in California, they joined the Communist Party. They quit the Party

"The phone was tapped from the minute I could talk on it, and the FBI had been at the door since I was tall enough to turn the knob."

Molly hadn't needed to work. Did it as a lark. "She was suited to the sort of life in which you dressed for dinner, came up to London for the Season, relied entirely on servants. You can hardly pick her out from the others in the photos of her youth — the Beautiful People lined up with their arms about each other's waists, one leg flapping in tandem with all the other legs."

On their honeymoon her parents toured the Soviet Union. "Throughafter three months but kept the left-wing friends they met through the Party. With proceeds from Cedric's first book, Away from It All, her parents built an extravagant Art Deco house off Laurel Canyon. At least five of the producers, screenwriters, and directors who would be imprisoned and blacklisted as part of the Hollywood Ten partied there. "The phone was tapped from the minute I could talk on it, and the FBI had been at the door since I was tall enough to turn

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the knob."

Cedric kept writing. Promised Land, Let My People Go, They All Hold Swords. Molly kept up her Express column. Sally remembers always hearing her parents' typewriters clacking away.

When Sally was 31/2 , along came Nicholas, her brother. Sally was jealous. Molly always preferred Nick to Sally. Her books — This Is Where We Came In, New Winds *Are Blowing* — which are nothing more than fictionalizations of the family, make that clear. For instance, in one novel she wrote, "Sheila [that's me] didn't like demonstrations of affection...it was like kissing a poker. ...Jonny [that's Nicky] loved to be loved and petted and hugged and to feel the warmth of affectionate, loving contact."

World War II got going. They moved to New York; Cedric joined British Intelligence. Molly and the children moved into a lousy cramped apartment. The money wasn't good. "He didn't care and she had to put up with it....It was a terrible comedown from life in the sun." When the war ended, Cedric stayed in Europe, serving with the **Allied Occupation Forces** in Occupied Germany, where he recruited anti-Nazi journalists to staff newspapers in the U.S.

After the war, Cedric and Molly's marriage, essentially, was over. Molly and the children moved upstate to Croton-on-Hudson onto Finney Farm, a communal farm for leftists where "nothing very farmlike occurred." Horace Greeley had lived there and Mabel Dodge Luhan.

Molly, whose housekeeping skills were scant, had written "a sort of witty travel cookbook, with favorite dishes," Around the World With

an Appetite. She sup-

for seven years.

"She is really stacked, with this big bust and weensy waist a boy's hands can fit around. And does she know how to dress!"

John Reed wrote *Ten Days That Shook the World* about a mile across the fields. Molly and the children took up residence in a converted cowbarn where Eric Knight wrote *Lassie:* they lived there

ported Sally and Nick writing for women's magazines. She kept busy "thinking up bright new ways for women to look, smell, diet, decorate, cook," kept a filthy house and cooked meals of "chicken charred but bloody and the frozen beans still icy in the middle. But lumps are the real specialty of the house. There are the lumps in the instant mashed potatoes that burst into powder on your tongue, solid lumps in gravy that could be almost anything."

Cedric, back in New York, had fathered a child by another woman and began living, in Greenwich Village, with yet another woman. He visited Molly and the two children on weekends. He had come under federal government suspicion, "still preaching antifascism but to a landscape of deaf ears. He was certainly writing the wrong things — to begin with, a book — The King *Is Naked*— about resurgent fascism in postwar Germany, expressing views so unpopular that the book didn't find a publisher for years." The FBI responded by tailing Cedric and tapping the Belfrages' telephones.

In 1948 Cedric and his friend Jim Aronson rented a Manhattan office and founded the National Guardian, a progressive newsweekly designed as a forum for radicals. Cedric

"had ages ago picked as targets...'hypocrisy, jargon, dogmatism and stuffed shirts,' and there he stood, railing against them all." She adds, "The trouble with my father, as with other gods, is that he can accept responsibility on levels both cosmic and commonplace—like deciding how the world...should be arranged — but he falls down on the job in between, where the lives of the people around him come into the picture."

Sally and her mother had never gotten on all that well. As Sally entered adolescence, relations with Molly soured further. "If you asked her what was the matter, she'd ignore the real reasons and say that I was beastly to her. I am beastly, and I'm rude, nasty, selfish, uncooperative, truculent, impossible. My being a loathsome brat at least confirms that she has good reason not to love me; my being awful makes sense of her misery, which

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otherwise threatens to engulf us in craziness." Sally sums up the relationship, "She is so needy, and I never get a chance to need anything."

Molly went to work at McCall's Magazine, moved the children to another cramped apartment, this time in the Bronx. Sally got to know a family that lived downstairs, the Giglios, they called each other "Mrs. G." and "Mr. G." They were "a real honest-to-God all-American family that sits around the table doing a Thanksgiving imitation every night." Sally made friends with their teenage daughter Debbi, a drum majorette, who, after graduation, intends to become an airline stewardess. "She is really stacked, with this big bust and weensy waist a boy's hands can fit around. And does she know how to dress! Always the faddiest thing, but quality, and fitting right and starched and ironed."

Finally, Sally had found a way to rebel. "There was no place to rebel that Daddy hadn't been already." So Sally tried to become as conventional as Debbi, poking tissue-stuffed socks into her bra, wearing spikey curlers to bed, wriggling into tight panty girdles and cinching her waist with wide, tight belts, figuring out "how to accessorize," smoking Viceroys, learning to sit, as Debbi recommended, on chairs and sofas whose upholstery flattered her "outfit." She would transform her blonde, blueeyed self into an "AAG" — "All-American Girl."

Her transformation didn't come easily. "That my parents are separated strikes Debbi as simply unacceptable, and I the wrong kind of car (a five-year-old Willys *jeep*) and junk all over the apartment, and listen to longhair music and eat wacky food and don't go on vacations out west, and MY FATHER IS A RED."

Poor Communist parents, needing diapers, sometimes diapered their babies in the red flags they were given when they paid their Party dues.

wouldn't dare reveal the disgusting fact that my father is living with another woman *out of wedlock*. She already knows my mother goes downtown *to work* instead of to shop... And we have

Molly enrolled Sally, who had no interest in or little talent for science, in the Bronx High School of Science. Most Bronx Science students were Jewish. As attractive as Sally was, blonde and slim

and clear-skinned, few boys would date her. She was too obviously a shiksa, a goy. That Sally's father's name persisted in showing up in newspapers in connection with government investigations of CP members and suspected members, fellow travelers, pinkos, also made high school difficult. "Our name was unique and unmistakable, therefore everybody knew."

In 1953, Sally was seventeen. Her father, refusing to "name names," was in and out of jail. Her apolitical mother, by then divorced from Cedric, had been fired by *McCall's* and was under investigation as a Communist or Communist sympathizer.

Sally, at last, had a boyfriend, Dan King, a West Point cadet she met on a blind date. Weekends, Sally would join fifty other West Point dates on a bus — "freckled, snub-nosed females, a whole freight load of Miss Rheingolds. While any diversity among us might seem to be a matter for a microscope, amounting to no more than the varying colors of our kisscurls, the others, unlike me, are what they seem: underneath the icing, the same nice, wholesome pound cake."

Loving Dan King and loving her father made Sally feel crazy. She felt disloyal to her father when she was with Dan and disloyal to Dan when she was with her father. "My

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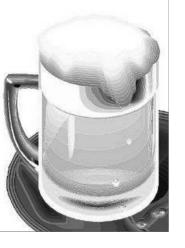
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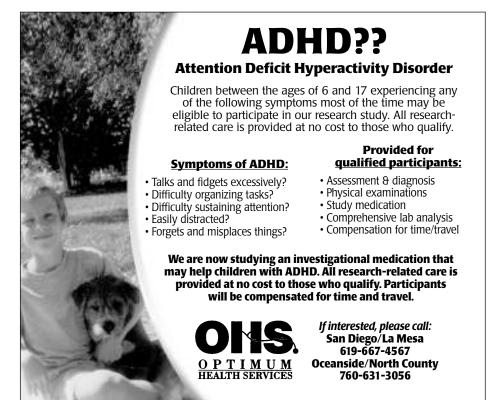
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mind feels like a zoo, full of savage animals clawing and shrieking to get at one another. They will eat each other up unless I keep on mending fences. But between Dan and my father, I am the fence. Whenever I am with one of them, I am ashamed of the other."

Sally's romance with Dan deepened. "As someone seeking AAG-hood more feverishly than ever, one day I realize I have reached the summit of the dream. Seventeen and pinned to a West Pointer. This dreamboat has attached a teeny double

gold pin, with a little chain and a ruby-studded 'A' for Army, approximately one inch above the center of my left tit."

Dan's widowed mother, an accountant whose life focused on Dan, her only child, after the pinning turned on Sally. She screamed at Sally, "He should go with the daughter of a Commie, get himself a traitor for a fatherin-law?"

Sally and Dan, with other cadets and their dates, hid out in the woods to neck and pet. Sally never let Dan "go the whole way," although they did engage in heavy petting, below the waist. Soon after her 18th birthday, with her mother about to be deported, Sally realized she was pregnant. "It just leaked in...No penetration, as they put it later, one in a million, but there you are: you're pregnant."

Sally wept noisily when she told Dan she was pregnant. Dan's reply? "Crying is a sign of weakness." She told her mother, who "set some wheels rolling" and found Sally an abortionist out on Long Island. The \$250 the abortionist ordered Sally to bring with her came from Sally's saved babysitting money.

While the abortionist and her husband ate turkey TV dinners, Sally stretched out on their couch, waiting for the abortionist's drugs and tubes to go to work. From time to time the woman checked Sally's progress, saying, "C'mon out, you critter." And when Sally does begin to abort, the woman says, "Well, about time!" Sally looked up from her place on the couch. "I see within the clotted mass a tiny leg." Then Sally heard the toilet flush. "Oh, baby," she said, "I'm so sorry."

A year later, 1955, Cedric was deported. Sally went to England with him. She and Dan broke up. Sally settled in England, wrote four books — A Room in Moscow, about the year she spent in the USSR; Freedom Summer, an account of the months in 1963 during which she participated in the Mississippi civil rights struggle; Flowers of Emptiness, a visit to the Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh's Indian ashram; and Living with War: A Belfast Year.

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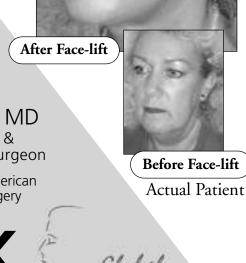
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The Belfrages' family friend Jessica Mitford in *The American Way of Birth* quotes from Cedric Belfrage's account of his daughter Sally's birth.

In *Twilight Sleep*, hypodermic injections of morphine combined with scopolamine (a powerful hallucinogenic and amnesiac) and pentobarbitone sodium were given every hour. A graphic description of the method as witnessed by a father appeared in *They All Hold Swords*, a memoir of pre-Second World War days by Cedric Belfrage. Cedric and his wife, Molly Castle, both young, adventurous British journalists, somehow ended up in southern California for the birth of their baby in 1936. Thinking it would surely be a boy, they named the unborn child Fred. They chose a small bungalow hospital, a unique feature of which was that Cedric was allowed to be present throughout the entire procedure — unheard of in those days.

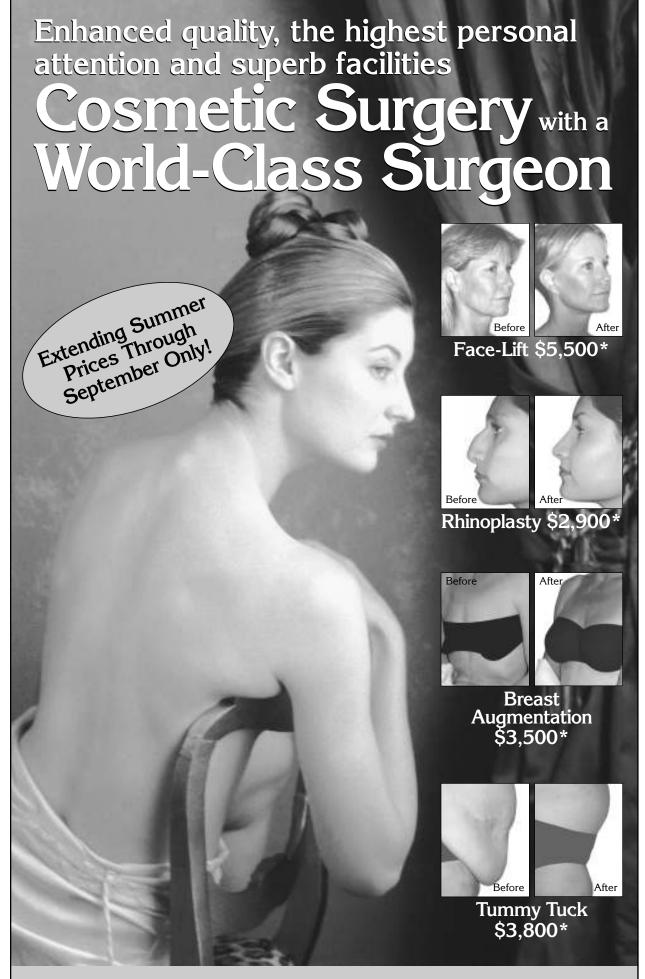
The doctor explained that he would be giving Molly the first of several dopes which would blot out her memory. "Soon, she began to moan," Cedric wrote. "Between two pains she said: 'I hope you don't mind me crying out a bit now, darling. I could control my will before but now after the drugs I can't control it anymore.'" As hours went by the doctor called the nurse to administer more injections. "'She will continue to show apparent signs of consciousness during the pains,' he said. 'But tomorrow she won't remember anything about it.'"

Later, Molly was wheeled into the delivery room, where the doctor strapped her onto a table: "The nurse put the nose-cap over Molly's face and began sprinkling ether on it from a perforated can... Suddenly Molly seemed to come alive; she fought out wildly. Three of us were holding her, but she managed to wrench a hand free to claw frantically at the cap over her nose. She opened her eyes wide and gave a shrill, terrified scream. It was nearly a quarter of an hour before she was completely quiet again. The doctor remained calm, washing his hands over and over again in the corner. He said it was the dope she had had before that made her react this way to ether. She would remember nothing about it afterwards.

"She was snoring now, her body limp, her face almost covered by the ether cap. The doctor began probing with his great forceps. A lot of blood came.

"He grasped something between the long, invisible arms of the forceps. He pulled hard...He took a pair of scissors in one hand and in a careful, matter-of-fact way cut a slit to make the opening wider. A minute later the round object was almost out...Everything was a mass of blood and I thought Fred must be dead already."

To Cedric Belfrage's untrained eye the newborn "was exactly, in colour and texture and size, like a large rabbit freshly skinned...I could see that Fred was a girl." The doctor slapped her; she yelped. Some hours later, when Molly woke up, "I told her she had had a fine rabbit. She remembered nothing since the second shot in the arm, she said, except a vague nightmare memory of seeing people in gas-masks leaning over her, which made her think the war had started."



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man's surgeon" for the surgeries her performed on cricket and polo players. After he retired, they moved to Bermuda, his birthplace. They wrote a book together, *Sportsmen and Their Injuries*.

Cedric died in Mexico, mentally and physically weakened from the effects of a stroke. After he was deported in 1955, he stayed in England for four years, then taught himself Spanish, emigrated to Latin America, and eventually settled in Cuernavaca, where his last wife, Mary, to support them, ran a guest

house. There, Cedric put together *The American Inquisition*, his book about the McCarthy era. After his stroke, he found he could no longer write, so he took up translation, translating Uruguayan writer Eduardo Galeano's three-volume *Memory of Eira*

Dan King, Sally ran into again thirty years after they broke up. By then he was a major general, married, a prime player in missile research. They almost immediately found themselves back in bed, but this second-time-around affair didn't

last. "Army intelligence," says Sally, "warned him off me."

So you regretfully say goodbye at the airport. You get home after midnight, explain to your wife your plane was late. You brush your teeth, crawl into bed. It's noon when you wake up. All day, while you mow the lawn, fix the youngest kid's bike, you go over what this blonde, this Sally Belfrage, told you and you feel sorry as all hell for her.

Myself, I stayed up half a night reading Belfrage's memoir, *Un-American Activities: A Memoir*

of the Fifties. Belfrage's memoir joins a list of memoirs, novels, and one play whose subjects are lives of children — "red diaper babies" - of American citizens who joined the American Communist Party in the 1920s and 1930s. The term, "red diaper baby," refers to a child of American Communist Party members. The term is believed to have originated in the United States during the late 1920s when poor Communist parents, needing diapers, sometimes diapered their babies in the red flags they were given when they paid their Party dues. Among those titles are We Are Your Sons, by Robert and Michael Meeropol (the Meeropols took over the care of the sons of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg after the Rosenbergs were arrested); The Book of Daniel, by E.L. Doctorow, a fictionalization of the Rosenberg sons' story; The Romance of American Communism, by Vivian Gornick; Endless Love, by Scott Spencer; In My Mother's House, by Kim Chernin; Loyalties: A Son's Memoir, by Carl Bernstein, in which the former Washington Post reporter describes his youth as the son of Communists during the McCarthy era; and Josh Kornbluth's play, Red Diaper Baby.

Belfrage had cancer and hoped she'd beat it. She told friends she intended to be well enough to come to New York in November 1994, for the 90th birthday of family friend Alger Hiss. She died on March 14, 1994, at her home in London while correcting the *Un-American Activities* galley proofs. ■

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Canal by boat to Ventura." Great-grandmother "was a horticulturist," says

Patty. "She sent very cute little succulents back East, and she developed big flower fields. She was the founder of the Begonia Society of America — she hybridized begonias. She developed the double petunia and the heavenly blue morning glory." She was also a suffragette. "She was very avant-garde for her time. She created things at a young age and, being a woman, created a tremendous pressure against that."

 $Patty's\ grand mother$

over it," she says, laughing

took me 50 years to get



From left to right: Patty, Paul, Jack

tooth, but the contraption

that fit in his mouth. He

whatever was needed, he

made it. He had a very

large room for writing

for his shop tools." He

family's Del Mar home

and another giant room

decorated a skylight in the

with colored bits of glass;

made everything -

stress "who did everything fantastically. She made these fancy clothes. But when I was little and I wanted to learn to sew. she said,

was a seam-

'You're left-handed; I can't teach you.' So I thought I couldn't sew. In the last ten years, I've taken up sewing and done some very nice things. But it

Patty's father "was a Renaissance man. He was mad that his dentist couldn't make a bridge that felt good. So he made one himself — not the

"Willard's cosmic eye" looks down from the pattern's center.

And Patty's father painted — painted enough to go through

various periods. A Grandma Moses-style image of his grandfather walking in front of the Ventura Mission hangs in Patty's living room next to another of himself as a sailor-suited schoolboy. He went through an Impressionist phase, all soft outlines and soft shades. "He had his figure style," says Patty, pointing out a seated nude of

She loved the school, but many of the kids were boarders from Hollywood families, while she was a local.

improbable posture and proportions. "He never understood the figure that well." And he had his Surrealist phase — soldiers with pigs' heads, women

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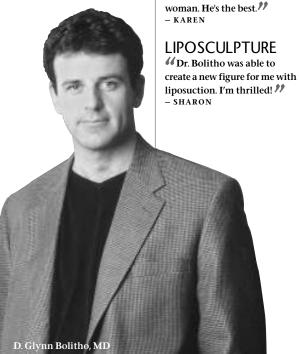
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with pigs' legs, people in birdcages hung from balloons. Twisted, elongated, hazy figures. More than anything, they put me in mind of a detail from one of Bosch's nightmarish hellscapes. "He was into inventing flying machines when he was a little boy," says Patty, noting one of the balloon ships.

The painting came later in life. Dad's vocation was as an architect. "In the '30s, we lived in the Ojai Valley," an idyllic, orange-scented enclave a few miles inland from Ventura. "It was the Depression, and my grandparents had lost all their money, but they had this piece of land in Ojai. A rich relative gave us enough money to live on, and my father built this house, which was ultramodern for the '30s — all stone and glass. It took three years. It was all stonework, which he had never done before. He used five-sided stones taken from the property. It was beautiful, like

something out of Chartres." Architecture giant Frank Lloyd Wright saw the house and gave it "his red seal of approval."

Ojai has long been

famous as a haven for California counterculture, and young Patty soaked up its ethos. "I was always avant-garde, ahead of my time. We were always into new ideas. We studied herbs and all kinds of stuff. We did all kinds of things that are basically taken for granted now organic foods, for instance. You see advertisements in Vons — 'We have an organic foods section!' I was into organic food 30, 40 years ago." Ojai was also "the biggest tennis place when I was growing up. All the big shots came there for the Ojai Valley Tennis Tournament," which started around the turn of the century. "My parents bought Australian rackets when I was just a little girl."

Patty attended the recently founded Ojai Val-

ley School. "It was a progressive school. We grew up doing everything that was artistic, painting and dancing and singing and shopwork and stories, instead of reading, writing, and arithmetic." She loved the school, but many of the kids were boarders from Hollywood families, while she was a local. "I didn't have a chance to mix with many of the other kids. I was kind of brought up in a different way" - an only child, living high above the valley floor and in relative isolation.

Who she did mix with were fellow musicians. Patty started taking piano and violin when she was five. Five years after that, she gave up the violin to concentrate on piano. "I learned to play pretty well, and I was very cute. There were studio musicians who played in the L.A. Philharmonic, and I met some of them" through the Hollywood-Ojai connection. "They all wanted to play with me.

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The difference between her own abilities and those of her professional accompanists made itself keenly felt. She felt pressure to perform and became dissatisfied with the existing modes of instruction. "In olden days, people memorized their speeches, and that's the way they learned music — by memorizing. The piano teacher... You

learned notes — Every Good Boy Does Fine or whatever it is - and then you sat down and played a lot of notes, and that's all there was to it. God forbid the teacher should know anything about composition or the theory of music. People didn't do that."

Patty wanted to understand the music; she studied composition and theory at UCLA and USC. "I got a master's degree in music, and I took 60 instead of 30 units to get that master's. And that's when I started teaching. Because of my more progressive growing

up - my school and my parents and everything -I was always into new ideas. Because I knew music from college, I had

thing to do with sounding alive. Being in the present moment, and never playing by rote. The idea was to make something beau-

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the wherewithal to develop a new teaching style."

At its heart, the style she developed "had some-

tiful, even if it was a first or second piece. I balked at doing exercises. I said, 'You can play beautifully; you don't have to do exercises.' I found only one book in 50 years of teaching that I thought was worth teaching, because it utilized charming tunes or folk songs from European sources, rather than books that were mundane and never musical or artistic. It was always 'What is the structure of the music, how many measures, what is the rhythm, what is the melody, where are the chords?'

"I never let them know the names of the notes," continues Patty. "They would look at the pattern of the notes. A person who plays by rote just has to take a lot of notes and go over them until they get them. I don't have to go over anything. I look at it and see a pattern. I check out what would be the best fingering to make the music express properly, so that it curves. It doesn't just whiz out notes." She tried to communicate that method to her students. "If the interval was a line to a line, that meant, skip a note, skip a finger. If it was a line to a space, they would skip an even number of fingers or spaces. There was a conscious learning process: 'What am I doing now? I'm

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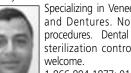


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doing this fingering because I can see the notes telling my fingers to do that. I can see which is the first beat, and I can give a little pulse to it."

Patty paid close attention to the relation between the body and the sound. Besides the notion of notes telling fingers where to go, she taught students to "knead the beauty out of the keys. It's one way to start learning to pull the beauty out of a tone. It's a figure-eight motion with the fingers; you go forward and back and forward and back, kneading."

By the time she attended them, UCLA and USC were local schools. "I loved Ojai, and we would have stayed there if it weren't for 1941 and the war. They didn't have copper for wiring, and for about ten years, it was hard to get a job as an architect for one-of-akind houses." The family moved to Los Angeles, and Patty's father went to work designing aircraft for Howard Hughes. They brought Patty's 1907 Steinway with them. "We were self-supporting in L.A. for many, many years." Patty married and had three children — Charlie, Paul, and John.

Then, around 1960, the family moved south. "My husband was working for a builder, American Housing Guild. We were going to establish new housing projects down here. But because of a slump in the economy, they couldn't expand as fast as they thought, so my father went to work for another building company. Then we got tired of that and decided to build the nursery school. I was giving piano lessons, and I said, 'I've got to have some place for the kids."

Christopher Robin preschool went up near Montgomery Field. "At that time, people came together and had a little babysitting in their home, and that's what nursery school consisted of. We came in and built a school for a hundred children. Everything was designed for them — little tiny toilets and everything. It was a large school, and we lived upstairs. My son



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John was a little psychologist; he was about three, and he took care of all the two-year-old problem kids."

By the time John and his brothers were six or seven, they had begun moseying down the hill into Mission Valley, there to begin swatting balls at the Mission Valley Tennis Club. Patty's son Paul, who is with us here in Del Mar, says that "it was just natural to play tennis; we sort of grew up as a tennis family. We realized that tennis was a more advanced sport than a lot of the others. There was more activity; you didn't have to wait in the

backfield."

"They were called the Mayberry boys," says Patty, grinning at the memory. "There was a famous tennis family at the time called the Newberrys, and we were the Mayberrys. John was number one in San Diego. Paul was number two — he had one other kid who was his nemesis. Paul was in Hawaii just a few weeks ago, and a fellow came up to him and said, 'You're Paul Mayberry.' He remembered Paul because he was so impressed with his playing. They were really highly ranked, and they were winners. We have

something like 150 trophies" — though none of them are on display.

Paul is not visiting; he lives here. His brother pro, lives just down the road. "He would have lived here," explains Patty, "but there wasn't quite enough room." Charlie's

Steiner is, among other things, the founder of Anthroposophy, "in which the heightened capacities of thinking, feeling, and willing are seen as the key to unlocking enormous human potential."

Charlie, an acupuncturist and homeopath, lives downstairs with his wife — they converted the old writing room and workshop. John, a tennis

daughter is in college, "but she has a room when she's in town," says Paul.

"We're very closeknit," says Paul. "It's not like there's a generation gap — I've actually drawn on my mother and father for insight on life's questions and those sorts of things. We've stayed sort of like an 18th-century family, where they had a castle and they stayed

there for a while. We've inherited this house together. It's not easy for a family to live together; it shows how well we get along."

(It's unusual for Paul to refer to Patty as his mother; usually, he just calls her Patty. Though the family has remained close, she has sought to keep it from being stifling. "I've been called Patty by my kids forever," she says, "because I didn't act like a mother. I was hipper than all the latest jargon on how to bring up kids. I didn't like the way parents treated children — they didn't treat them like what I considered to be human beings. Every child has to grow up and take responsibility and can make mistakes. I thought it was all right to make a mistake; it wasn't that the parent should be always trying to protect

the child from doing anything wrong or seeing life. I just wanted to stay their friend, rather than their mother, and let them take responsibility. I let them be themselves, rather than sons and daughters. I put Charlie in charge of them cooking for themselves; he did the dishes and the cleaning, and so I didn't have to get after them. I never had to be a mother and tell them what to do.")

The house they inherited was built by Patty's father against the side of a canyon. "This area was all built out," says Patty. "The people in front sold the back part of their property, because there was nothing left in Del Mar."

'They were all members of the Unitarian Church," says Paul, "and he knew these people. Evidently, they were old

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enough not to consider the back part of their place that valuable. It was a big property, so there was enough room to do it. After going crazy working for Hughes, he wanted to do something pretty creative, and he saw the potential here to build on

Unlike many cliffside homes, this one actually makes considerable use of the canyon below. "All of this has been reclaimed," says Patty, gesturing downward from the narrow deck. "It was all horrible brush, and it's all been trimmed out. They cut down two trees and took slabs of the tree and made steps going all the way down." Charlie's end of the family gets the work done. "There's something new every time I see it. They built the treehouse," which looks more like a twostory clubhouse, a watchtower over the canyon. "They just put in that gazebo." Several sitting areas can be seen as the canyon snakes away toward the ocean. "You can see the racetrack from the roof," says Patty.

Del Mar was an attractive community to the former Ojaians. "There's this intellectual, offbeat group of people that Del Mar represents," begins Paul.

"It's not just Del Mar, it's North County," corrects Patty.

"All the UCSD professors moved out here at a certain time. La Jolla is much more money-oriented, whereas Del Mar has more of a heady environment."

"Well, we have the racetrack," offers Patty. "People have come here from all over the world because of the racetrack and the fair."

The dark-stained wood house is low-slung, one story hugging a long swath of canyon rim. From street level, the darkness is prevalent, highlighted as it is by the riot of flowers - potted, planted, hanging in baskets — that crowd around the front patio. But as you descend the hill toward the canyon's edge and the home's front door, you can see light making its

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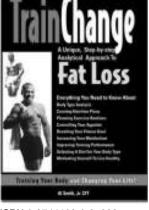
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way through the place sliding glass doors make up a good bit of the front and back wallspace in the main living area. It's almost as if the great open ceiling — huge rough beams below broad rough planks — was supported by the more solid walls at the great room's far ends.

The great room does

not immediately feel as big as it is; it teems with furniture that breaks it into discreet sections. At the far end, a stairway descends to the lower level; before it stands a cluster of low bookshelves and a rustic table surrounded by straightbacked wooden chairs. A freestanding brick fire-

place makes a partition, on the near side of which is a small sitting area. More bookshelves fill the space between hearth and wall. Closer still is a round shabby-chic table outfitted with padded wicker armchairs. Lamps of various styles rise up from the floor and hang here and there from the ceiling;

side tables — some primitive, some refinished, some formal enough to sport marble tops — hold their places along the walls beside more shelves and cabinets. And everywhere there are potted plants and buckets of flowers — the outdoor flora finding its way inside with the sunlight. The great uniting element is the floor, installed by Paul - pale, cool, mottled-green wood-laminate tiles that stretch from one end to the other.

> It was not always thus. Once, the front wall of the house was solid and served to back up the large, central kitchen. Actual walls divided the kitchen from the dining room, living room, and bar; everything tended toward the windows in the canyon-view rear of the house. But when Patty moved in following the

death of her mother two years ago, she started remodeling. "The first house I lived in had a great room, and my father had a big piano. When I moved down here, I couldn't get used to the lack of space. When I lived in San Diego, I remodeled my house in

But she has her great room — a room for her cherrywood Kawai concert grand piano. Its rich, polished gleam stands in sharp contrast to the bleached wood of the walls and the rough wood of the ceiling. "My Steinway was six feet, two inches, which is big for a

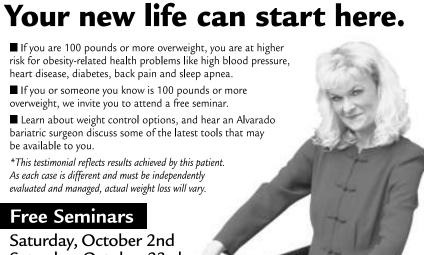
"There's a reason Sampras won all of the close matches — he had less that could go wrong with his game."

the same way. I took out doors and walls and everything to make a great room."

Here in Del Mar, "I wanted more light, so I built a new kitchen in the back porch," thus freeing up walls for sliders and a view of her front-patio flower garden. "My bedroom is in the garage."

Steinway," says Patty. "I eventually had it rebuilt, and while we were having it rebuilt, my second husband bought me this one. It's seven feet, four inches. I thought I was going to have two pianos, facing each other, and I would teach and do things with two pianos. But it was just too much." She sold the

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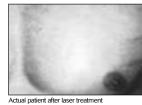
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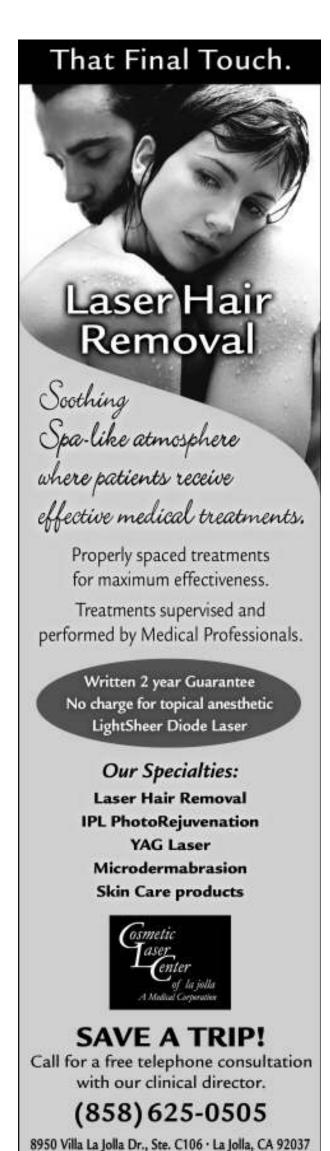
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Part of the reason for the great room was the size of the instrument. In a smaller space, it would look (and, I imagine, sound) cramped — certainly not grand. But the chief good of the generous space is that, as Paul says, "You can put everything around the sides of the room and have a bunch of people sitting here and listening to music." Patty is a performer; she plays for people to hear. "When I'm playing, I really feel myself penetrating somebody, and then they come back to me with their experience of it. The focus is to make it speak to the person. I'm trying to make contact through the invisible little qualities that are in the music, and when you experience that, it all comes back to me."

She plays for me, a piece from Chopin and another from Brahms. I don't hear much live music, and to be only a few feet from a skilled musician on a splendid instrument is a bit of a thrill. "The main thing," she tells me, "is to know what you're doing consciously, to make a decision in an artistic moment to play a little louder or a little softer, a little faster or a little slower, a little brighter or a little duller, so that it sounds fresh. It doesn't sound like a memorized speech."

She applied her own principles of instruction to her own education. She learned to sew; her gaily decorated top is her own creation. She learned to paint; her watercolor studies and modern oils cover the walls. "I didn't really paint until three years ago. I go into classes and I know how to pay attention. I know how to learn from the teacher and watch others. I see the way they paint, and I try to incorporate their thought and not get stuck in my own."

Patty's son Paul inherited his mother's taste for innovative methods of instruction. As a boy, he worked as a janitor at the Christopher Robin preschool. By the time he was a teenager, he



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Paul's interest in the body's movement may have begun with tai chi, but it was heightened when he spent time teaching at Pauline Betz Addie's tennis clinic in Maryland. "She won

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Wimbledon at an early age. I was 17 or 18, and I knew her son. He juggled, and he played tennis right- and left-handed. He was a real head case, but he introduced me to all this stuff. There was something about the right and left side of the body. I was obsessed; from moving in the figure eight to thinking about the yinyang symbol and positive and negative electricity in an alternating current.

"All this stuff was going around in my mind. We used to have this camper, and I'd hang out with my father, and we'd have these long chats. I remember one afternoon, just being in there and realizing that the figure-eight motion was the way I could teach everything I wanted to teach in tennis. I had always found it difficult to break into the tennis

teaching world. I'm sort of a counterculture person; I didn't fit in that well. My view of the way you taught was really out of the ordinary. It was a Eureka moment."

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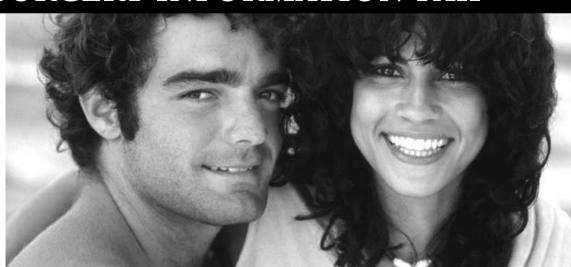
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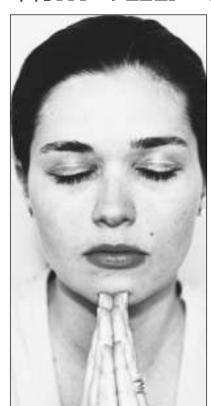
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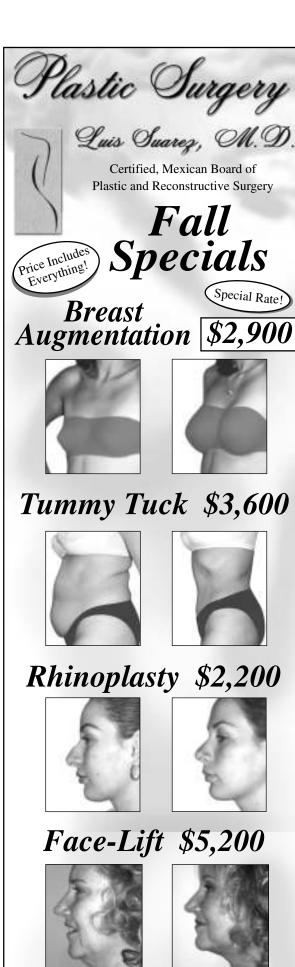
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"Everything is always going out and then coming back to the center," says Patty. (Patty used the figure eight to help her students knead the keys of the piano and sees musical performance as a kind of back-and-forth conversation.) "Ice skating makes a big thing about the figure eight as a movement for them to practice. It's all-encompassing."

ter point of a figure eight."

"How perfectly they roll around and go off to the other side shows their mastery," adds Paul.

Paul dovetailed his thoughts on tennis, the figure eight, and going out and coming back with what he was learning about the thought of Austrian philosopher Rudolf Steiner. In his early 20s, Paul had moved back home to help his mother get ready to sell their house in San Diego. "I was alone at the time," says Patty. "I had divorced my second husband. I

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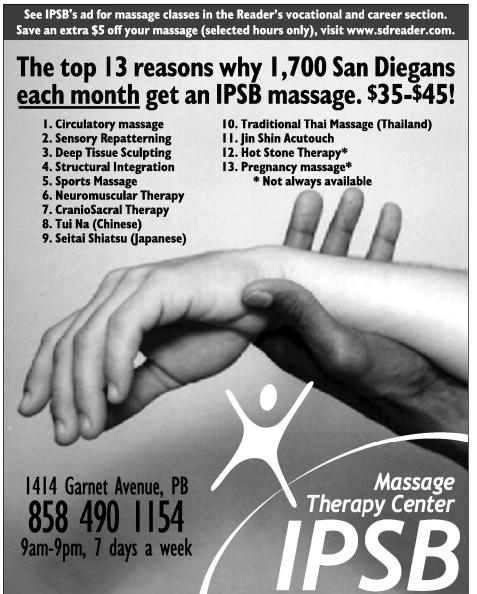
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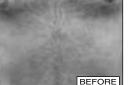
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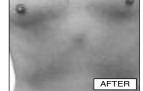
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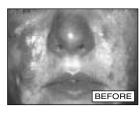
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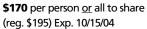
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always had these ideas. I thought I was going to give retreats and have programs — which I did, to a small extent. I just thought that when my father died that I would have extra money. But my mother never let me have any money until she died, and that was 25 years later." She ended up not selling, and Paul settled in. "I found it easier to live there than to try to rent other places with other roommates. We studied a lot together, and we went to these conferences" at the Rudolf Steiner College in Fair Oaks, outside of Sacramento.

According to the college's website, Steiner is, among other things, the founder of anthroposophy, "in which the heightened capacities of thinking, feeling, and willing are seen as the key to unlocking enormous human potential." Paul was attracted by the notion that a person could attain a kind of knowingness that would allow him to "appear more effortless, be quicker, and do the perfect thing in a situation. There's how you feel inside, and then there's the outer world. I think the better tennis players are the ones who are able to transcribe what they feel inside onto the world outside, where the ball is coming, and he's got to react and overcome the other person. The people who really excel play with a sort of meditation." That knowingness echoed Patty's notions of playing music, consciously deciding how to express each part of a piece.

Paul says he "just found that all this stuff, though it was totally afield from sports, totally related to sports. I was obsessed with relating this stuff, because I saw a connection. But how to bring it to people? It was pretty far out, and it's hard to break into the tennis

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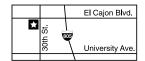
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trying to find the best ways of teaching, and he started realizing that what I was proposing was a very good modality of understanding the stroke. The 8Board came about from trying to figure out a way to make the figure

eight easier to do."

The 8Board is Paul's invention. Back when he was working at Christopher Robin, he met an inventor, a man who would become his mentor in the field. "He was a mathematician, and he

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design is considerably simpler than that of the prototype, which Paul built from materials he purchased at Home Depot. That 8Board consists of a central disc resting upon a foam cushion. A board shaped like a figure eight is mounted on the base disc so that it spins around its own center point. Free-spinning discs are then mounted on each side of the figure





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Jack is joining Paul and Patty for dinner this evening, a common event. When he arrives, he is wearing the same twotoned nylon jogging suit as Paul. Patty calls them twins. "He's the front-line man," she says. "Paul is more retiring."

"No, we're both front-line men," counters Jack. "I helped develop the teaching method, and I think I helped a little bit with the plastic board. But he came up with all the cool, original prototypes."

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"You can't teach a kid how to move his hips, his shoulders, his knees," argues Patty. "You keep telling him, 'Bend your knees, do this, do that,' and the kid just flakes out. But when he gets on the board, he does everything, and you don't have to explain anything."

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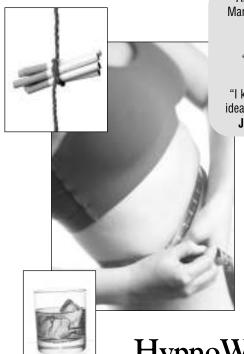
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ing to the left? Oh yeah, my left arm is weak. Is my head moving? Am I using my legs?' Exercise is thought of as kind of mindless and rote"there's that word again. "The 8Board is certainly none of those things. It's

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I mention that the board's obvious emphasis on the movement of the hips and weight transfer reminds me of Ted Williams's thoughts on hitting a baseball. "That's right," says Jack. "It's such

a subtle movement. though, that nobody notices it. You see the racket flying out here, and the movement in here at the hips is so slow, this perfect little figure eight is completely unnoticed." (Besides throwing and

hitting in baseball and stroking in tennis, the 8Board has proven beneficial to the golf swing, and golf is where Jack and Paul have recently concentrated their marketing efforts.)

He raises a toast of Ravenswood Zinfandel. "Cheers."

Then he continues. "It's very simple, if that's all you want — hip orientation. But it's quite farreaching if you spend some time with it."

Dinner is telapia and vegetables. "The vegetables will be cooked," notes Patty. "I ate so many sprouts and salads for so many years that finally, my stomach rebelled. So now I'm eating cooked food."

"This is great fish," says Paul as he begins cooking. "This is Biblical fish right here."

Biblical fish? "Wasn't this the fish that fed the 5000, so to

speak?" "It just extends the

evening," jokes Jack. "We're big salmon eaters," says Patty, "but I'm eating telapia now and a little snapper."

"I'm a big Rubio's fish-taco guy," says Jack.

The broccoli and fish are ready in minutes. The telapia is seasoned with Spike. "I don't use pepper, and I don't use regular salt," explains Patty. "They scared you away from salt 30, 40 years ago. We get a salt from, what is it, Utah? It's the original crystals; it's not iodized — it doesn't have the chemical that makes salt flow and not stick together. I'm not against using salt; I just get a better quality."

"I've always been into natural foods. I never ate margarine, for instance it was very popular a long time ago. I never ate canned food. And I buy organic — this is organic butter. At our house in San Diego, I grew half my vegetables. I tried to grow them biodynamically, which meant that I used preparations in the compost to make it better compost."

As we talk, I get the sense that Jack may not be quite the Steiner disciple that Paul and Patty are, but it's clear he sees some merit in their take on things. "People attribute winning to God-given tal-

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ent or heart or will. It's a classic part of commentary — 'Who's going to win this third set? The one who wants it the most.' That couldn't be further from the truth. Sometimes, the one who wants it the most is the one who loses, because they can't stay loose. What wins most of the matches is a higher quality of play. There's a reason Sampras won all of the close matches — he had less that could go wrong with his game. He had the geometry we speak of; he had this unconscious knowing. We've discovered what the best athletes actually do." And with the 8Board, they believe they've rendered it teachable.

"The important thing to realize," says Patty, "is that there are many people who can do this naturally. The whole idea is to teach people who might be stuck. We want to liberate them, so they can go further in their lives."

"Andre Agassi, Pete Sampras, Roger Federer, they're our poster boys," says Jack. "The best players, when they master this special understanding of the game, basically look like Federer does. There's a mastery in his game; it's so simple but so developed. There are very few players who can play like him. He's creative, and he has all the strokes. He has a backcourt game; he has a net game. We have an incredible respect for those players who have naturally developed the principles we see in the game. We would say he's a next-generation player."

"Before, people developed power — controlling power kept the game pushing forward. But now, with these rackets that have too much power, the actual quality of your strokes has to improve. Players will have to be well-rounded to survive. Federer is just the most accomplished."

Glass of Zinfandel in hand, the time has come

for me to mount the 8Board. "The wine glass stays level if you do it right," advises Paul. It's not a pretty start. Where Paul sweeps back and forth, motion in one direction "rounding the corner" and becoming motion in the opposite direction, I am all backand-forth jerkings. "You're not quite realizing how everything is organized," says Paul, kindly. "Organize around your center." Offers Jack, "Like throwing a discus."

"Feel your arms relate to your center point," continues Paul. "Don't lead with your arms, just let them keep balance."

Back and forth, back and forth. I was an athlete once — ten years and twenty pounds ago. I can do this. There: almost rounded the corner.

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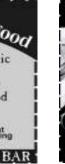


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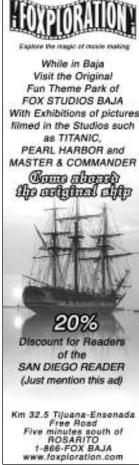




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Nineteen years ago the Rubensons bought the property and fruit trees that became their MJ Ranch in Julian. As artists

LOCAL EVENTS

living and working in San Diego, they felt the ranch

needed a caretaker, so they hired a man to handle its upkeep and marketing. "He did fine with the upkeep," says Marge, "but he only took the fruit to farmers' markets. When he moved to Australia earlier this year, we decided to manage the ranch's chores and marketing ourselves."

The Rubensons now sell their apples and pears to Henry's and Boney's markets, Baron's Marketplace in Del Mar, and Stump's Market in Rancho Santa Fe. On September 11 they opened their ranch to "U-Pick," a fruit-buying opportunity that occurs every fall in Julian. Five dollars allows visitors to fill a sixpound bag with fruit they pick from MJ Ranch's trees. The ranch is open weekends for U-Pick from now until the end of October.

"Warm days and cold nights make Julian a perfect place to grow apples," says Rubenson. But a freeze will destroy the fruit. Already this year freezing weather has stung the Calico Ranch. Calico's voice mail says the ranch has no apples for U-Pick this year.

The crops at MJ Ranch and a second U-Pick vendor, Apples and Art Orchard in Julian, are yielding twice their normal amount. "And the apples ripened three weeks before they usually do," says Arlene Smith, who

shares ownership of both Apples and Art Orchard and an art studio on the property. Smith, too, charges \$5 per six-pound bag of apples — Red Delicious, Golden Delicious, or Jonathans.

Smith has only 50 fruit-bearing trees so she prefers to host small groups, such as classes of schoolchildren, during the week. When large numbers of the public have come onto her property on a weekend, she's had to stop some people from breaking tree branches

and going onto her neighbors' property to pick their apples.

The Rubensons have enlisted the help of another couple to lead visitors to the easiest fruit to pick and assist in other ways. She gives people an apple picker to use, which she describes as similar in appearance to a jai-alai stick. It reaches high into the trees and catches fruit that is ready to fall. Regular apple pickers use ladders, but the Rubensons are not about to have guests risking falls in the orchards.

Over the years, says Rubenson,

she has studied as much as she can about apples and pears. It takes five to seven years for both pear and apple trees to mature and bear fruit. Pear trees, according to Rubenson, have been known to produce pears after 100 years. Her pears are red Bartletts. Like all pears, they have to be picked before they are ripe. Apples are picked as they ripen.

Locals have grown apples in Julian since the 1880s. Last year's Cedar Fire may have caused the great abundance of this year's crop, according to Rubenson. "I believe fire rained down potash and other minerals in the ash," she says.

The past two Mondays the Rubensons have allowed school kids to pick for local fire victims and for food banks in San Diego. MJ Ranch produces Red and Golden Delicious, Jonathans, and winesaps. Rubenson recently planted a few Fuji apple trees, too, whose popularity is growing in Julian.

Rubenson says she recently saw a full-page newspaper ad for Baron's Marketplace, a store that specializes in organic produce. Under a picture of some plainlooking apples, the ad asks, "Why do these apples look so different?" "The answer," according to Rubenson, "is that they don't have wax on them, only a natural dust." Big-chain supermarkets put the familiar wax on apples to preserve them longer. But the apples lose flavor and crispness as a result. "My husband claims the ones grown up here go ka-chunk when you bite into them," says Rubenson.

— Joe Deegan

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BAJA

Carlos Niebla's Monologue La Reina en su Casa is presented on Thursday, September 30, 8 p.m., at Casa de la Cultura (Avenida París #5, Colonia Altamira). Tickets: \$10 U.S., benefiting Tijuana Deaf Association. 011-52-664-684-

Fifth Annual Book Fair for young people continues through Saturday, October 2, at Riviera Hotel. 011-52-646-172-3022. (ENSENADA)

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BassCon3, third annual electronic music conference is October 1 and 2 at Rock n' Roll Taco (at Festival Plaza). Participating artists include Keaton, Erik Diaz, Uriel, Machete, Izm, others, Hours: Friday: 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., \$10; Saturday: midnight to 7 a.m., \$20. 619-823-7060. (ROSARITO BEACH)

Wine and Dine, Baja California Tours hosts outing led by David Clark, Saturday, October 2. Event includes tours and tasting at Chateau Camou, Monte Xanic, and L.A. Cetto wineries in Valle de Guadalupe. \$79 fee includes lunch, transportation. Reservations: 858-454-7166. (ENSENADA)

Freestyle Motocross Racing is Saturday, October 2, 8 a.m., at Campo Nuevo Ensenada. 011-52-646-172-3022. (ENSENADA)

Savoring Guadalupe Valley, travel to the valley during excursion led by San Diego Natural His-



"Lavanya: Graceful Expressions of the East" Indian Dance Concert at Dana Middle School, October 2 (see Dance)

tory Museum on Saturday, October 2, 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Barbacoa lunch, wine, bus transportation. \$89. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Rosarito Beach-Puerto Nuevo Half-Marathon Run is Sunday, October 3. Race starts at 7:30 a.m. on Boulevard Benito Juárez. \$10 U.S. 011-52-661-612-0200. (ROSARITO BEACH)

OUTDOORS

The Smoggiest Days of the Year are most likely to occur during the next several weeks. Persistent temperature inversions (warmer air overlying cool marine air) are frequent this time of year. These inversions conspire with the

mountainous topography of East

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pollution under a low-lying lid. During the worst episodes, San Diego County's coastal area is the hapless recipient of additional smog sneaking down from the Los Angeles basin. This often occurs when a Santa Ana wind condition begins to weaken: L.A. smog blown offshore by a Santa Ana may get pushed back our way when the normal sea breeze returns.

San Diego's Coastal Sage-**Scrub Vegetation** is now at the very nadir of its growth cycle. Shades of gray and yellow have replaced the bright greens that carpeted many of the still-wild coastal hillsides up until April or May of this year. Sometime within the next several weeks, the first substantial autumn rain may shatter the usual summer drought, and our "summer deciduous" vegetation could bounce back in a matter of days.

Dense Ground Fogs are a trademark of the onset of autumn along San Diego's coastal strip. These happen during the night and early morning hours when moist marine air that has settled in valleys and low areas is chilled below the dew point. These ground fogs are distinct from the low overcast that usually blankets the coastal strip on late-spring and summer mornings.

Spider Webs, decorated with myriad tiny dew droplets, are a beautiful sight on foggy autumn mornings. Look for them in San Diego's wild canyons and park areas or in your own back yard.

Migrating Warblers, Wintering Sparrows, golden eagle are possible sightings when Audubon Society birders head to Lake Morena on Saturday, October 2, 8 a.m. to early afternoon.

Take I-8 to Buckman Springs Road exit; drive south five miles to Oak Drive, turn right (west), go about two miles to Lake Morena Drive. Turn right and go through the village and on to park. \$2 vehicle day-use fee. Bring lunch (if you wish), water. Moderately strenuous hiking. 619-692-3246. (LAKE MORENA)

Discover Native Plants when naturalist Sheri Konene leads hike on Saturday, October 2, in Blue Sky Ecological Reserve (on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road). Learn about "Medicinal and Edible Plants" during hike led by naturalist Kathy Reading, Sunday, October 3. Both hikes start at 9 a.m. Free. 858-668-

Foothill Vegetation Regrowth and Bedrock Differences ex-

plored during five-mile moderately strenuous hike led by naturalist Jack Pomeroy on Saturday, October 2, in Daley Ranch. Free. Meet at 8:30 a.m. in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. (ESCONDIDO)

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Rescuing Wild Animals in Trouble is job of Wildlife Assist volunteers. Recruiting sessions on Saturday, October 2, 2 p.m., at Clairemont Community Service Center (behind Vons, at 4731 Clairemont Drive). Program repeated Sunday, October 3, 2 p.m., at Encinitas Community Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive). 619-921-6044. Free. (CLAIREMONT, ENCINITAS)

Nature Hike, Will Smith leads nature hikes around Lake Cuyamaca the first Sunday of every month, including October 3, 1 p.m. The three-hour hike covers about 3.5 miles. Bring binoculars. Day-use fee: \$6 per car. Lake Cuyamaca Recreation and Park District center, 15027 Highway 79. 877-581-9904. (JULIAN)

Clean Up! Learn the difference between native plants and weeds and help clean up around Buena Audubon Nature Center, Saturday, October 2, 8 to 10 a.m. Bring weeding tools, water. Free. Find the center at 2202 South Coast Highway; 760-439-2473. (OCEANSIDE)

Ven Explora la Naturaleza con Migo, Chula Vista Nature Center hosts bilingual nature walk, Sunday, October 3, 1 p.m. Led by a Spanish-speaking interpretive guide, walks introduce visitors to Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge and the nature center. Free. Find center at 1000 Gunpowder Point Drive; 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

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Volunteer Work Day at Anstine-Audubon Nature Preserve, Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Remove nonnative plants, rake, sweep, accomplish all manner of tasks at this "preserve in the making." Supplies, directions, required reservations: 619-682-7200. (VISTA)

A Night Wildlife Hike is planned in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve on Thursday, October 7. Outing starts at 6:30 p.m. at kiosk located at intersection of Camino Ruiz and Park Village Drive. Wear hiking boots and insect repellent, and bring water. Free. 858-484-3219. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

The Haunted Trail, an "all-out-door haunted attraction," is open Friday, October 1, through Sunday, October 31. Hours: 7 to 11 p.m. Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday; 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday. \$12.99. Find trail at Marston Point (just east of Sixth Avenue and Juniper Street). Not for those under 10. 619-231-0261. (BALBOA PARK)

DANCE

The Jive Aces, a jive and swing band from the United Kingdom, performs for swing dancers on Thursday, October 30, at Starlight Ballroom (6506-H El Cajon Boulevard). Band plays 9 p.m. to midnight, swing dance performances. All ages. \$12. 858-395-6060. (COLLEGE AREA)

Contradance to tunes by Au Contraire, calling by JoAnn Koppany, Friday, October 1, 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)

Viennese Waltz featured during vintage ballroom class, Friday, October 1, 7:30 p.m., in room 207 of Casa del Prado. All ages, singles, partners. Followed by open dance requests until 9:45 p.m. Beginner friendly. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

"Lavanya: Graceful Expressions of the East — An Odissi and Manipuri Indian Classical Dance Production" offered Saturday, October 2, 7:30 p.m., at Dana Middle School (1775 Chatsworth Boulevard). Concert presented by Raag and Taal Academy includes dancing by Sreyashi Dey, Poushali Chatterjee, Debanjana Roy, Guru Manoranjan Pradhan. Lavanya promises both traditional and contemporary dance arrangements. Tickets: \$20 general. 760-743-3643 or 858-254-2366. (POINT LOMA)











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Calendar Local Events

"Extravaganza 2004" presented by Pasacat Philippine dance company, Saturday, October 2, 2 and 7:30 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Program boast traditional Philippine dance, music, song, including 22 dances. Tickets: \$18, \$20. 619-477-3383. (LA JOLLA)

"Trolley Dances" presented for sixth year by Jean Isaacs' San Diego Dance Theater. Featured choreographers include Isaacs, Gabriel Masson, Monica Bill Barnes, Alison Dietterle-Smith, Grace Shinhae Jun, Faith Jensen-Ismay.

Guided "tours" begin at trolley's County Administration/Little Italy stop, continue downtown to Petco Park on Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3. Hours: 10 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.; tours leave every 45 minutes. Tickets: \$18 general, \$12 students/seniors, wheelchairs and children in strollers are free. Reservations: 619-255-3274. (DOWNTOWN)



Indian Cowboy at Pacific Theatres Gaslamp 15, September 30 (see Film)

"Snow White" presented by California Ballet Company on Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3, at 1 and 5:30 p.m. each day, at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Free. Space availability: 858-560-6741. (POWAY)

Israeli Folk Dance Party planned on Saturday, October 2, 7 p.m., at Congregation Shir Ami (2210 Encinitas Boulevard, suite T). Dalya Dallal leads an open dance session, including beginners' instruction, to traditional Israeli dances. \$5. 760-697-0434. (ENCINITAS)

West African Dance Class led by Abdoulaye Camara with live drumming on Sunday, October 3, 1 p.m., at Magdalena Ecke YMCA (200 Saxony Road). All levels welcome. \$15 general. 760-942-9927. (ENCINITAS)

"Celebrating the Change of Season" is theme when Toni Michael leads Sufi dancing, Monday, October 4, 7 p.m., First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). \$3. 619-298-9978.

Partner Swing Dance Classes — all levels — new sessions taught by Jim and Margie of 2toGroove Dance start Tuesday, October 5, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at Portuguese Hall (2818 Avenida de Portugal). \$60 for series,

\$12 per class. (POINT LOMA)

The duo also presents swing dance classes for all levels on Wednesdays, beginning October 6, 6 to 9 p.m., at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100).

Pay \$60 in advance for series, \$12 per class. 619-291-3775. (ENCINITAS)

World-Beat Music and Dance presented by Damaru and guest vocalist/dancer Abdoulaye Camara on Thursday, October 7, 8 p.m., at Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). \$5. 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

FILM

The Shortboard Revolution in the 1960s and impact of surfboard designer George Greenough is documented in *State of S*, a film by San Diego native Brian Taylor. Premieres at 7 and 9 p.m. on Thursday, September 30, and Friday, October 1, at La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101). Tickets, information: 760-436-5774. (ENCINITAS)

San Diego Film Festival continues through Sunday, October 3, at Pacific Gaslamp 15 Theatres. Event showcases more than 80 films — American and international features, documentaries, short films. Titles include Around the Bend, Indian Cowboy, The Hunting of the President, The Machinist, Sonny Boy, Never Been Done, many others. \$10 per screening. 858-344-5987. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

"Facing West: In Surfing, Travel Is the Destination" screened

by filmmaker Jerry Mancuso on Friday, October 1, at theater at La Costa Resort and Spa (2100 Costa Del Mar Road). Second screening is Saturday, October 2, at Culy Warehouse (335 Seventh Avenue). Both shows start at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$5. 858-433-1456. (DOWNTOWN)

How About a "Mystical Primer on Buddhist Spirituality"? See Kim Ki-Duk's "cinematic Zen koan" when *Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter...and Spring* screens Monday, October 4, 6:30 p.m., for Film Forum at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. In Korean with English subtitles.

See *Europa Europa* when the First Monday Films series exploring "controversial social issues posing difficult moral dilemmas" continues October 4, 6:15 p.m., at Escondido Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Ensuing discussion led by Richard Dell'Orfano. Free. 760-839-4656. (ESCONDIDO)

The Documentary Film *The Letter* documents a small town's conflict over Somali immigration. Movie screening and panel discussion, Wednesday, October 6, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). \$25 general. 619-641-7510 x249. (LA JOLLA)

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

Basic Techniques of Growing and Selecting Succulents provided when Jeff Moore of Solana Succulents speaks on Friday, October 1, in Heritage Hall at Magee Park (2650 Garfield Street). Featured plants include blooming aloes, bonsai succulents. 760-729-5989 or 760-729-8172. Free. (CARLSBAD)

"Organic Plant, Pest, and Weed Control" taught on Saturday, October 2, 1 p.m., at City Farmer's Nursery (4832 Home Avenue). Free. 619-284-6358. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Explore Evolution and History of Games, how they can be useful in teaching history, cultural traditions, geography, math, when educator and game historian/collector Wayne Saunders present course on table and board games, Saturdays, October 2 and 9, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Man. \$80. Reservations: 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

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presentation by Bobbi Gray on Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m., for German Research Association, at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Free. 619-420-4557. (HILLCREST)

"A Dream, a Hope, a Home," is theme for HOPE housing festival on Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in HOPE Community Development Corporation (at Euclid Avenue and Federal Boulevard). Home buying workshops, information booths, musical entertainment. Admission is free. 619-262-4542. (SAN DIEGO)

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Day of the Dead Sugar Skull Workshop planned on Saturday, October 2, 3 p.m., at Back from Tomboctou (3564 Adams Avenue). Reservations: 619-282-8708. \$15. Classes through October. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Magee Park Poets Poetry-Writing Workshop, Sunday, October 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Cole Library (1250 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free, Reservations required: 760-434-2881. (CARLSBAD)

Interested in Co-Housing? Intentional Communities? Learn about goals of Institute of Noetic Sciences when group meets on Sunday, October 3, 3 p.m., at Del Mar City Hall Annex (235 11th Street). Free. 858-481-3998. (DEL MAR)

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month, including October 2, 11 a.m., at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). Free. 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

Container Gardening is subject during class planned on Saturday, October 2, 10 a.m. to noon, at San Diego Natural History Museum. Participants will use three different techniques to decorate pots. \$43. Registration: 619-255-0203.

Hegemony" addressed when Gregory Lobo, professor at Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia, speaks on Monday, October 4, 3 p.m., in 3155 Literature Building at UCSD. Lobo is former UCSD student. 858-534-4618.



"Facades" by Volker Seding at Joseph Bellows Gallery, through October 16 (see Art Galleries)

"The Image of the Jew in Islam

and Its Impact on Current Affairs" is topic when SDSU religion professor Khaleel Mohammed speaks on Monday, October 4, 7 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). \$5, 858-268-9200, (LA JOLLA)

Art Demonstration by Carol Ravy when Southwestern Artists Association meets on Monday, October 4, 10 a.m., in Gallery 23, Spanish Village. 619-232-3522. (BALBOA PARK)

"Best of Current California Pinot Noirs" provide topic for tasting and class, Monday, October 4, 7 p.m., at WineSellar and Brasserie (9550 Waples Street, suite 115). \$40. Registration: 858-450-9557. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

"Mammals of San Diego" discussed during class on Monday and Wednesday, October 4 and 6, 6:30 p.m. both nights, at San Diego Natural History Museum. Zoologists Scott Tremor and Drew Stokes investigate mammal habitat preferences, lifestyles, federal

protection status. \$33. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

"Democracy and Inequality" is subject when Joshua Cohen (MIT), Jay Mandle (Colgate University), Nadine Strossen (New York Law School, ACLU) focus on influence of money on democratic process. Symposium is Tuesday, October 5, 4 p.m., in Aztec Athletics Center Auditorium, San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-5249. (SDSU)

"Early Modern Traffick — Trade, Difference, and the Making of Colonialism" examined when University of Pennsylvania English professor Ania Loomba speaks on Tuesday, October 5, p.m., in 3155 Literature Building at UCSD. Loomba is author of Colonialism/Postcolonialism. Free. 858-534-4618. (LA JOLLA)

Illuminary Floral Design class led by Velma West on Tuesday, October 5, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 104. West demonstrates how to use lights for special effects. \$25. For materials. registration: 619-232-5762 or 619-298-5182. (BALBOA PARK)

"Medicine for the Mind -How to Solve Our Human Problems" divulged when Buddhist nun Gen Kelsang Tubpa speaks on Tuesday, October 5, 7 p.m., at Chula Vista Library (365 F Street). Free. 619-692-3676. (CHULA VISTA)

Tour the Night Sky during "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 7 p.m., Wednesday, October 6, After show, view real sky through telescopes set up by Fleet Center staff and San Diego Astronomy Association (weather permitting). 619-238-1233. \$6.75 general. (BALBOA PARK)

"Effective Parenting" taught by pastor Jim Henekll at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, October 6, 13, 20, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church (1376 Felspar Street). Course is based on Right from Wrong, by Christian author Josh McDowell. Free. 858-272-6363. (PACIFIC BEACH)

"Beyond the Property Line: Housing, City, and Territory" is theme for ongoing "Dialogues in Art and Architecture" series, Thursday, October 7, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Free. 858-454-5872, (LA JOLLA)

Watercolorist Marge Rauch presents demonstration entitled "Negative Painting" when Foothills Art Association members gather for meeting on Thursday, October 7, 7:30 p.m., in Ben Polak Fine Arts Theater (8053 University Avenue). 619-464-7167. (LA MESA)

Del Mar Gardening Maven Pat Welsh demonstrates fall planting of spring bulbs and signs copies of her new book, The American Horticultural Society Southwest Smart Garden Regional Guide, Thursday, October 7, 7 p.m., at Gardenology (587 South Coast Highway). 760-753-5500. (ENCINITAS)

"Tudor Revival Architecture Then and Now" examined when Helen M. Ofield speaks for "History Alive" series on Thursday, October 7, for Lemon Grove Historical Society. Program starts at 1:30 p.m. in H. Lee House (3205 Olive Street). \$2. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Successful Local Authors including Taffy Cannon, Ken Kulhken, Alan Russell, others share insights on pitfalls and highlights of being a published author when Sisters in Crime gather on Thursday, October 7, 7 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street), \$3. 760-735-9313. (HILLCREST)

Learn to Use 38 Flower Essences "discovered by Edward Bach" during class on Thursday, October 7, 9:30 a.m. (or Wednesday, October 13, 6:45 p.m.), at Monart School of the Arts, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza (983-C Lomas Santa Fe Drive), \$50 for either class. Reservations: 760-942-3440. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Self-Publishing Your Own Book" presented by author and marketing expert Marilyn Ross on Thursday, October 7, 2 p.m., in room LA-2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-2447. (SDSU)

IN PERSON

First Fridays, monthly open mike for prose writers hosted by San Diego Writers, Ink, on October 1, 7 p.m., at the Grove (3010 Juniper Street, at 30th Street). Bring three minutes of prose to read aloud. Free. 619-284-7684.

Photographer and Writer Leland Foerster makes presentation based on his book, The Californios: Photographs and Stories About the Descendants of the Mission Era in Baja California, Mexico, on Friday, October 1, 7:30 p.m., in room 3601 at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). Free. 760-795-6613. (OCEANSIDE)

Fred Hammond and Radical for **Christ** in concert, along with Tonéx and Lady Shaunté, Friday, October 1, 7 p.m., at Faith Chapel (9400 Campo Road). Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$25 at door. 619-846-4408 or 619-229-2740, (SPRING VALLEY)

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Juliet B. Schor on Friday, October 1, at Westgate Hotel (1055 Second Avenue). Schor will discuss her new book, Born to Buy: The Commercialized Child and the New Consumer Culture. Her research focuses on relationships between work and family, trends in work and leisure, consumerism. Fee for noon luncheon is \$35. Reservations: 619-687-3580. (DOWNTOWN)

End Summer and Start School with performance of "transatlantic underground rock" by the Drinks, Friday, October 1, 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (1544 Broadway). Third Word open-mike poets including Elena Velasquez, Eneri Rodriguez, Jim Moreno, Diego Davalos, Kate Evans perform. Donation: \$5. 619-230-1869, (EAST VILLAGE)

Boo the Villain and Cheer the Hero when Iulian Triangle Club presents its 48th annual "Old-Time Melodrama and Olio, weekends through October 30, at Julian Town Hall (2129 Main Street). This year's play: Drusilla's Dilemma, or Burned at the Stake. Live entertainment between acts including singing by Floozies.

Friday and Saturday night performances commence with community sing-along at 7:15 p.m., followed by melodrama at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday, community sing-alongs at 1:15 p.m., melodrama at 1:30 p.m. Tickets: \$5 for adults, \$2 for those under 12. 760-765-3177 or 760-522-7745. (JULIAN)

Ellis Paul performs for Acoustic-MusicSanDiego on Friday, October 1; Joel Rafael opens. On Wednesday, October 6, see Steve Forbert. Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). 619-303-8176. Tickets: \$15, \$20. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Latin Harp Night, hosted by San

October 2, 7:30 p.m., at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena), Performers include José Smith, César Daniel López, Carmen Elena Barreiro. \$15. 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

Suspense with a Slightly Paranormal Edge offered in The Tiger Chase, following the plight of the South China tiger. Author Andrew McDermott presents author talk and signing, Saturday, October 2, 2 p.m., in third-floor auditorium at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

The San Diego-Based Rock **Band** This Holiday Life — said to merge "indie rock influences with a sharp sense of melodic pop" performs in concert Saturday, October 2, 8 p.m., at Pacific Beach Presbyterian Church (1675 Garnet Avenue). Openers: A Midday Atlantic, Garrett Thomas Band. Free. 858-273-9312 x112. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Shakespeare Festival presented by Poor Players on October 2 and 3 (and October 8-10) at Hearth Theater (3 Civic Center Drive). Program includes excerpts from Midsummer Night's Dream, The Tempest. Performances start at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. on Sunday. \$10. 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

Mayors Tribute Concert planned by 85-member Coastal Communities Concert Band, Sunday, October 3, 2:30 p.m., at Carlsbad Community Church (3175 Harding Street). Music in a variety of styles performed. Tickets: \$12 general. 858-481-2087. (CARLSBAD)

Mediterranean Gardening expert Heidi Gildemeister makes brief presentation and signs her new book, Gardening the Mediterranean Way: How to Create a Waterwise, Drought-Tolerant Garden, Sunday, October 3, 4:30 p.m., at





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"Songs of the Settlers" — a concert of 19th- and early-20th-Century classical, popular, and folk music — performed on Sunday, October 3, 4 p.m., at Lutheran Church of the Incarnation (16889 Espola Road). Benefiting the Sikes Adobe Historic Farmhouse, concert features songs from Sikes family era, poems of Robert Louis Stevenson, songs by Stephen Foster. \$10. 858-674-2275. (POWAY)

Local Author Peter Anderson discusses and signs his new book, The Complete Idiot's Guide to Body Language, Tuesday, October 5, noon, at UCSD Bookstore (found in Price Center on the UCSD campus. Free. 858-534-3149. (LA JOLLA)

The New Quintet 117° West performs for San Diego North County Bluegrass and Folk Club gathering, Tuesday, October 5, 7 p.m., Round Table Pizza (1161 East Washington Street, at Ash). Guest MC: Les Preston. Free. 760-726-8380. (ESCONDIDO)

Award-Winning Author and Poet Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni speaks for Words Alive authors' luncheon, Wednesday, October 6, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines (10950 North Torrey Pines Road). \$55. Divakaruni's books include Mistress of Spices, Sister of My Heart. Booksigning follows talk. Reservations: 858-458-5819.

Divakaruni discusses and signs her new book, Queen of Dreams at 7:30 p.m. the same day at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free, 858-454-0347, (LA JOLLA)

Jazz in the Park, Kenny Werner Trio performs for concert series on Wednesday, October 6, 5:30 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art. Jazz pianist Werner is joined by Johannes Weidenmueller (bass), Art Hoenig (drums). \$17. Reservations: 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Latina Journalist Svlva Mendoza signs and discusses The Best of Latina Women, Wednesday, October 6, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

The Sequel to The Twentieth Wife is Feast of Roses, by Indu Sundaresan, who visits UCSD Bookstore to sign and discuss her work on Wednesday, October 6, 4:30 p.m. Find bookstore in Price Center, UCSD. Free. 858-534-3149. (LA JOLLA)

Poetry Unlimited features poet Kelly Lingman on Wednesday, Oc-



Chitra Banerjee Divakaruni at Hilton La Jolla Torrey Pines and Warwick's Bookstore, October 6 (see In Person)

tober 6, 5 p.m., at Florence Riford Library (7555 Draper Avenue). Guest musicians Joanna Skvarka (vocals), Mat Hanson (guitar) perform original folk and alternative music. Open readings follow. Free. 858-552-1657. (LA JOLLA)

Big-Band Swing promised when Tami Thomas performs on Thursday, October 7, 7 p.m., for Escondido Library's First Thursday series in Turrentine Room (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

Writing Workshop led by creativity coach and author Jill Badonsky, Thursday, October 7 (and first Thursday of each month), 7 p.m., at Hi-Way Haven: Creative Hub for Writers and Literary Emporium (466 North Pacific Highway 101). \$15. 760-434-3436. (LEUCADIA)

Clarivoyant and emergency/ trauma registered nurse Christel Nani visits Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real) to sign and discuss Diary of a Medical Intuitive, Thursday, October 7, 7 p.m. Free. 760-943-6400.

TNT, the Thursday Night Thing at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown (1001 Kettner Boulevard) celebrates opening of "Cerca Series: Julio Cesar Morales" on Thursday, October 7. Question and answer with artist, DJ performance, live music by Liz Janes, the Castanets, Aspects of Physics. Donation: \$3. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

First Thursday Poetry Reading featuring 4 Nth and guest poet Gabriela Valdepena, followed by open mike, Thursday, October 7, 8 p.m., at Exotic Bamboo (1475 University Avenue). Free. 619-818-4099. (HILLCREST)

North Park Playwright's Festival, offering 12 new, short plays by local

playwrights, continues through Saturday, October 9, at North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe (2031 El Cajon Boulevard). Performances start at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Tickets: \$11-\$13.619-647-4958. (NORTH PARK)

Playwright's Project: "Soul Fire," offered at various San Diego City Libraries, October 3-24. Live theater and performance using dance, music, and text to illuminate actual and spiritual journeys of ten immigrants to San Diego. Details: 619-236-5800. (SAN DIEGO)

SPORTS

This Is the End of the season for San Diego Padres, with final home game against San Francisco Giants in Petco Park on Thursday, September 30, 7:05 p.m. The Pads finish regular season play with series in Arizona against Diamondbacks, October 1-3, at 7:05 p.m. on

Friday and Saturday, 1:35 p.m. on Sunday. 877-374-2784. Games broadcast on radio station XPRS-AM (1090), television Channel 4. (EAST VILLAGE)

Del Mar International Jumper Show runs September 30-October 3, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Hours: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. \$10. 714-785-9467. (DEL MAR)

Budweiser Open Competition for late-model sportsman, legend, and train championships, Saturday, October 2, at Cajon Speedway. 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)

Celebrate Encinitas Day with 13th annual 5k and 1-mile run/walk on Saturday, October 2, 7:30 a.m., at 3rd and A Street. 760-633-2756. (ENCINITAS)

Run or Walk, Fifty-Plus Fitness Association hosts a run/walk, Saturday, October 2. Four-mile outing starts 8:30 a.m. at 15th Street and Ocean Avenue, lasts one hour along the beach. Wear good running or walking shoes; all levels of ability welcome. 619-276-2216. (DEL MAR)

Light the Night, two-mile fun walk at Del Mar Fairgrounds benefiting cancer research is Saturday, October 2. Check-in at 4 p.m., walk at 6 p.m. Free. 858-277-1800 x227. (DEL MAR)

Boot Camp Challenge, the three-mile obstacle run at Marine Corps Recruit Depot is Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m. 619-524-6058. (SAN DIEGO)

Two-Day Madison Bicycle **Racing,** October 2 and 3, at San Diego Velodrome (2221 Morley Field Drive). Racing: 6 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday. 760-703-6280. (BALBOA PARK)

Adult Night Out Tennis Mixer, Saturday, October 2, 4 to 7 p.m., at Helix High School (at University and Lowell). Equipment demos, tennis tips, games, roundrobin play. All levels welcome. Racquets provided for those without. Free. Registration: 760-809-

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To Alpine and Down Japatul, ride with San Diego Bicycle Touring Society bicyclists on Sunday, October 3. Seventy-eight-mile ride starts at 8:45 a.m. at McDonald's (551 Telegraph Canyon Road). 619-426-8192. (CHULA VISTA)

San Diego Chargers host Tennessee Titans for football game in Qualcomm Stadium, Sunday, October 3, 1:15 p.m. Broadcast on CBS. Tickets: 877-CHARGERS. (MISSION VALLEY)

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racing, Sunday, October 3, at Buena Vista Park (at Shadowridge Drive and Melrose). Park was 2002 California State Championship course; dirt trails, paved road, grass. Registration: 8:30 a.m.; starts from 10 a.m. to noon. (VISTA)

Marshall's Roundup, family golf tournament benefiting City of Hope Cancer Center is Sunday, October 3, at Sun Valley Golf Course (5080 Memorial Drive). Tee times: 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 1 p.m. Fee: \$20 per child, \$30 per adult.

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Jamba Juice Triathlon is Sunday, October 3, 6:45 a.m., on Mission Bay. Event includes 500-meter swim, 15k bike ride, 5k run. Space availability: 858-268-1250. (MISSION BAY)

La Jolla Sea Caves Kayak Tour hosted by Hike Bike Kayak San Diego, Sunday, October 3. Two-hour tours begin at 9:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:30 p.m. \$45 fee includes kayak, life jacket, paddle. Reservations: 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA)

SPECIAL

The Art of Mexico showcased 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3, at

St. James by-the-Sea (743 Prospect Street). Handcrafted silver jewelry, masks, Day of the Dead figures, Oaxacan wood carvings, Gorky Gonzalez pottery, candles, more. Sugar skull class on Saturday at 11 a.m.; Day of Dead altar-making on Sunday at 11 a.m. Traditional food, music. 858–456-1105. (IA JOLLA)

Downtown by Design Urban Lifestyles Housing Tour, Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tour showcases eight privately owned homes in Little Italy, Marina, East Village, Columbia neighborhoods. Event starts at William Heath Davis House (410 Island Avenue); participants may board buses for tour, or walk. \$30. Required reservations: 619-233-5008. (DOWNTOWN)

Party at the Beach, 18th annual Encinitas Day Celebration, Satur-

day, October 2, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Moonlight Beach (found at foot of Encinitas Boulevard, west of I-5). Lifeguard rescue demonstration, kids' activities, live entertainment, vendor and community booths, pancake breakfast (8 to 11 a.m.). Free. 760-633-2740. (ENCINITAS)

Iraqi Art and Heritage Party planned Saturday, October 2, 8 p.m., at St. Peter Chaldean Catholic Cathedral (1627 Jamacha Way). Traditional Iraqi songs and music by Angam Alrafidain Band, dinner. \$50. Reservations: 619-248-3565. (EL CAJON)

Oom-Pah-Pah, traditional German Oktoberfest hosted by German-American Societies of San Diego, Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3 (and October 9 and 10), noon to 10 p.m., at clubhouse and beer garden (1017 South Mollison Avenue). Live German music (by Guggenbach Boys) and dancing, food for sale, vendors' and craft booths, children's fun zone, more. Admission: \$3 for people over 21 (free for those under 21). 619-442-6637. (EL CAJON)

More dancing, food, Bavarian bands, arts and crafts, commercial booths, at Oktoberfest on La Mesa Boulevard (from Acacia Avenue to 4th Street) and Allison Avenue (from 4th Street to Palm Avenue), October 1-3. Hours: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday. Free. 619-440-6161. (LA MESA)

Rotary Club's 22nd annual Oktoberfest, Saturday, October 2, 1 to 10 p.m., in Holiday Park (on Pio Pico, between Tamarack and Carlsbad Village Drive). "Authentic German dinner," live music, dancing, magician, kids' fun. Tickets: \$8 in advance, \$9 day of event. 760-729-2345. (CARLSBAD)

Grace Lutheran Church and School (3993 Park Boulevard) offers annual Oktoberfest on Saturday, October 2, noon to 5 p.m., with games, crafts, kids' activities, dance demonstrations, German dinner (4 to 6 p.m.). 619-295-3503. (HILLCREST)

Book Sale at San Carlos branch library, Saturday, October 2, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wide selection of books available. The library is found at 7265 Jackson Drive; 619-527-3430. (SAN CARLOS)

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).

The Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Extension opens on Saturday, October 2, at 404 Third Avenue. Exhibits include "Jade from the Past," a collection of over 100 nephrite jade sculptures, from amulets to animal and plant designs. Also on view: "Cloisonné: A Perfect Fusion," with over 35 pieces of animal forms and domestic objects. 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

Book Sale offered 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 2, and noon to 5 p.m. on Monday, October 4, at University Community Library (4155 Governor Drive). Children's, text books, for-







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Bead Bazaar hosted by Bead Society of San Diego County, October 2 and 3, at Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). Demonstrations on silver clay, glass beadmaking, wire wrapping, beading techniques. Hours: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. \$3. 858-578-2273. (MISSION VALLEY)

Begonia Society Show on Saturday and Sunday, October 2 and 3, in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Biketoberfest hosted by Karl Strauss Brewery, Saturday, October 2. Event starts with (optional) six-mile bike cruise at 11 a.m., beginning and ending at Karl Strauss Brewing Company Rose Canyon (5985 Santa Fe Street). Local music, food and drink. For those 21 and older. \$5. 800-237-BLUE. (PACIFIC BEACH)

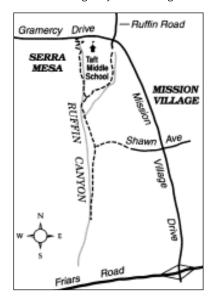
People's Choice Classic Car Show, Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., in parking lot at Sonrise (8805 North Magnolia Avenue). Free. 619-286-5501. (SANTEE)

Orchid Show and Sale hosted by Palomar Orchid Society on Sat-

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"Think globally, act locally." The Friends of Ruffin Canyon group in Serra Mesa have taken this slogan to heart by launching a prototypical effort to preserve one of San Diego's several dozen undeveloped urban canyons. On weekends you can find these folks out clearing away nonnative vegetation



and restoring and enhancing the sage scrub and riparian native habitats of Ruffin Canyon, a mini-chasm leading downward from the south end of Ruffin Road toward Friars Road and Qualcomm Stadium.

The group has persuaded San Diego's city council to designate 84 acres of property here as the Ruffin Canyon Open-Space Preserve. This means that unneeded road projects such as a planned southward extension of Ruffin Road down along the canyon floor will never occur.

Hikers will find a short network of trails to explore in Ruffin Canyon, with access at three principal points: the south end of Ruffin Road at Gramercy Drive, west of Taft Middle School on Gramercy Drive, and the east end of Shawn Avenue. Volunteers have recently been busy working at the first two trailheads, restoring the landscape, laying out graded trails that descend into the canyon, and (at Ruffin Road) installing a small native garden accessible to wheelchairs.

You can glimpse the wild character of the canyon by descending to the bottom, where rough and often steep pathways, some worn in by neighborhood kids over the years, dart up and down through a tangled array of shrubs like lemonade berry and holly-leafed cherry — the latter currently bearing marginally edible, dark-red fruit.



Willows and cottonwoods grow along a dry streambed, as do undesirable, invasive non natives (slated for removal) such as fan palms and pepper trees. In the future, a more easily followable trail system will be built; for now it takes a bit of slip-sliding over cobbles and dodging bushes to negotiate your way in some spots.

bloom here until the autumn or winter rains arrive. Once they do, the canyon will turn into a fragrant garden of two dozen or more species of annual and perennial wildflowers.

The Friends of Ruffin Canyon group meets on the fourth Monday each month at 6:30 p.m., generally at Taft Middle School. For more information, search "friends of ruffin canyon" at www.yahoogroups.com

Naturally, you won't see much in

annual San Diego British Car Day, Sunday, October 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Fairbrook Farm (4949 South Mission Road). Several hundred cars expected, from Aston Marton to Triumph. \$2 general, free for those under 15. 760-746-9028. (BONSALL)

> Cabrillo Festival — commemorating landing of Juan Rodríguez Cabrillo at San Miguel (now San Diego) on September 28, 1542 runs 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, October 3, at Cabrillo National Monument. Portuguese, Spanish,

in San Diego, Los Angeles, Orange

County; "cruelty free" clothing; vendor booths. Admission: free.

Wine Taste Chula Vista, Saturday, October 2, 5 to 8 p.m., at

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urday, October 2, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Women's Club of Carlsbad (3320 Monroe Street). Orchids across spectrum judged and awarded; many orchids for sale. Experts on hand to answer questions, offer advice. Free, 760-720-9424, 760-295-7228. (CARLSBAD)

Sea 'n' Air Parade, in conjunction with Fleet Week, Saturday, October 2, along shoreline of San Diego Bay. Display of military hardware, aircraft carrier, guided missile destroyers, Coast Guard vessels, demonstrations by Navy

SEALs, more. Free. 619-858-1545.

Quick Thinkers Rewarded at Toastmasters "Humorous Speech and Table Topics Contest Extravaganza" on Saturday, October 2, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on lower level at Tri-City Medical Center (4002

West Vista Way). Toastmasters from all over county compete. \$5. 760-944-9732. (OCEANSIDE

Celebrate Gandhi's Birthday during Vegan Business Fair on Saturday, October 2, 4 p.m., in Recital Hall at Balboa Park. Vegan food and product samples from restaurants





Mexican, Native American dancing; crafts, food booths, demonstrations, more. Reenactment of Cabrillo's landing on Ballast Point, replete with Cabrillo and sailors from his ship. 619-557-5450. Included in regular auto admission fee. (POINT LOMA)

House of China hosts lawn program at International Cottages with dance, music, and cultural costumes — Sunday, October 3, 2 p.m. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

Living History in San Pasqual, cannon-firing drills, demonstrations of crafts and skills from the 1800s, history lectures, entertainment, volunteers in period attire, and authentic food for sale at San Pasqual History Days, Sunday, October 3, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., San Pasqual Battlefield State Historic Park (15808 San Pasqual Valley Road). Free. 760-737-2201.

Arts Street Faire, this celebration of arts - dance, music, fine arts, drama, and crafts - Sunday, October 3, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at San Marcos Civic Center (3 Civic Cen-

ter Drive). Family art projects, performances, music, games, arts and crafts, food for sale, 760-744-9000. Free. (SAN MARCOS)

Extreme AutoFest Car Show and Concert, Sunday, October 3, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Coors Amphitheatre (2010 Entertainment Circle). Tricked-out cars, custom trucks, street bike stunt show, breakdancing, DJ battle competition, pocketbike race exhibition, more. Tickets: \$17 adults, \$10 kids. 619-422-5351. (CHULA VISTA)

The 41st Annual Jamul Gymkhana and Barbecue is Sunday, October 3, Parade commences at 9 a.m. on Lyons Valley Road near Jamul Elementary School, continuing to St. Pius X Church grounds, followed by day of horse competitions, games, food, until 7 p.m. 619-669-0086.

Plein Air Brunch, 30 local contemporary artists have designed unique table settings for brunch "in the styles of famous artists through the ages," Sunday, October 3, 10:30 a.m., in courtvard at



Fred Hammond and Radical for Christ at Faith Chapel, October 1

Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). \$30. Reservations: 760-602-2021. (LA COSTA)

Imports and Mopars featured during auto swap on Sunday, October 3, 6 a.m., at Grossmont College (8800 Grossmont College Drive). Vehicles on display and for sale, along with "acres of parts and accessories." Admission: \$5 general, kids under 13 free. 858-484-9342. (EL CAJON)

"The Cat in the Hat for President," this final exhibition marking 100th birthday year of late Theodor Seuss Geisel, running Monday, October 4, through Sunday, January 2, 2005, focuses on how Dr. Seuss and his creations have become commonplace features of American life and imagination. Find exhibit on main floor of Geisel Library at UCSD. Free. 858-534-2533. (LA JOLLA)

"Gendered Stories" provide theme for a four-book discussion series hosted by San Diego Public Library in conjunction with ongoing "Stories of Faith" program. Participants will be challenged to examine "racism and religious bigotry in contemporary society."

Series begins with Tahar Ben Jelloun's Sand Child on Wednesday, October 6, 6:30 p.m., in Wangenheim Room at library (820 E Street). Free. Registration: 619-236-5816. (DOWNTOWN)

Mini-Festa in Horton Square (225 Broadway), Wednesday, October 6, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Opera singing, cheese carving, street painting demonstrations, more. $Free.\ 619\text{-}233\text{-}3898.\ (\text{DOWNTOWN})$

"Evviva la Madona Nera: Devotion to the Black Madonnas in Italy and Among Italian Americans" is a traveling exhibition on view through Monday, November 22, at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Exhibit explores "in a collage-like fashion the origins, the centuries-old devotions, and contemporary Italian-American women's reclamation" of certain black Madonnas. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Half-Price Book Sale Thursday through Saturday, October 7-9, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Rancho Santa Fe Book Cellar (located below library, 17040 Avenida de Acacias, at La Granada). 858-756-4780. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

"Cavalia: A Magical Encounter between Horse and Man" hits Del Mar Fairgrounds for performances by more than 60 performers, including 37 horses, through October 8. In "Cavalia," horses are said to "cavort with acrobats, aerialists, and riders.'

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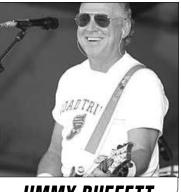
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Time to Scream? Head start on Halloween offered at 2004 Haunted Hotel (424 Market Street; 619-231-0131) and Blood Bayou (530 Market Street; 619-231-3611). Tickets for either spot: \$12.99. Houses open October 1-31, 7 to 11 p.m. Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday; 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

FOR KIDS

"Stellaluna" Author Janell Cannon - whose books include Crickwing, Verde, others - signs her latest, Pinduli, Thursday, September 30, 6 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real; 760-943-6400). Free. (ENCINITAS)

Cannon will also read from Pinduli on Saturday, October 2, 10 a.m. to noon, at San Diego Natural History Museum. Mammalogist Scott Tremor teaches about hyenas following reading. \$12 per family. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Climb Up and see Jack and the Beanstalk when Big Joe Productions performs at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater through Sunday, October 3. Weaver's Tales present The Spider's Tale, October 6-10.

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)

Arts and Activities, kids three and older are invited to crafts and



This Holiday Life at Pacific Beach Presbyterian Church, October 2 (see In Person)

activity program, Saturday, October 2, 10 a.m., at shade structure at Kumeyaay Lake Campground (Two Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

Day of Tennis Play hosted by Youth Tennis San Diego and Urban Village, Saturday, October 2, 10 a.m. to noon. Tennis clinics, games run by local pros, organized match play. Free. 619-221-9000. Urban Village Tennis Center, 4380 Landis Street. (CITY HEIGHTS)

Dental Health is subject when dentist Mark Martin leads workshop for kids on Saturday, October 3, 1 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.

Etiquette consultant Linda Bibalo conducts "Modern Manners" for those aged four and five years old on Wednesday, October 6 (and October 20, 30), 9 a.m. Handshaking, eye contact, introductions, tea manners, snacks. \$15. Reservations: 760-294-1147. (ESCONDIDO)

"The Wonderful World of Water." Ms. Frizzle and the Magic School Bus lead adventures on Sunday, October 3, 11:45 a.m. and 1:45 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Included in regular museum admission. 619-232-3821 x203. (BALBOA PARK)

Tape Drawings created by families, inspired by Gary Lang's installation Who's Afraid of Red, White, and Blue, during family day activities on Sunday, October 3, 2 to 5 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Arts workshop included in regular museum admission (\$6 general). 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

Fire Department Open House, Sunday, October 3, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Coronado Fire Department (1001 Sixth Avenue). Station tours, helicopter and fire apparatus, fire engine rides, entertainment, more. Free. 619-522-7374.

Quail Trail, head to Quail Botanical Gardens for tour of the gardens oriented for kids (aged three to six), Tuesday, October 5, 10:30 a.m. Meet at visitor's center located directly north of parking lot, 230 Quail Gardens Drive. Free. 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

You Can Fly! Cathy Rigby takes flight in James M. Barrie's Peter Pan, October 12-17, at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). It's said to be her "farewell performance."

Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, October 12, 14, 15, 16; 7 p.m. on Wednesday, October 13; 2 p.m. on October 16; 1 and 6 p.m. on Sunday, October 17. Tickets range from \$22 to \$60, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

MUSEUMS

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

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, the museum locates, collects, documents, and preserves historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related to agriculture and the general development of America. The

the Chula Vista Star News. Find the museum at 4035 Bonita Road. 619-267-5141. (BONITA) Campo Railroad Museum,

showcasing more than 115 years of American railroad heritage and development through static and operating exhibits, the museum includes cabooses, steam and diesel locomotives, track motorcars, "Jim Crow" segregated passenger cars.

collection is made up of equip-

ment used in lumbering, mining,

oil drilling, and construction industries. Blacksmith and wheel-

wright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steam-operated saw mill,

and 1/3-scale train. Find the mu-

seum at 2040 North Santa Fe Av-

Bonita Museum and Cultural

Center, the museum highlights

the history of the Sweetwater Val-

ley from the mid-1800s, with his-

torical photographs; artifacts, tools, and farming implements; the district's 1953 fire engine; and

bound copies back to the 1930s of

enue. 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

Interpretive 1.5-hour train rides offered each weekend (11 a.m., 2:30 p.m.) over portion of the San Diego and Arizona Railway. Find the depot on Highway 94 at Forrest Gate Road. 619-465-7776. (CAMPO)

Chula Vista Heritage Museum the museum features glimpses of Chula Vista's past; exhibits feature lemon packing crate labels, photographs of downtown Chula Vista, doors and adobe blocks from the original Star newspaper building, and relics from the Otay Watch Company. Find the museum at 360 Third Avenue. For further information, call 619-420-6916. (CHULA VISTA)

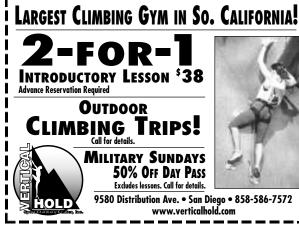
Creation Museum, a museum contrasting the evolution and creation world views is found at 10946 Woodside Avenue North. For more information, call 619-448-0900 x231. (SANTEE)

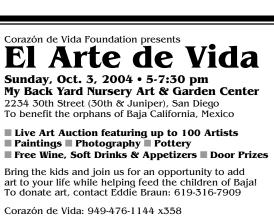
Gemological Institute of America Museum, permanent exhibits include displays depicting science and art of gemstones and history, lore and cultural significance of jewelry. Find the GIA at 5345 Armada Drive, Required reservations: 800-421-7250 x 4116.

George White and Anna Gunn Marston House, historic home sits on five acres of landscaped grounds with a formal English Romantic garden. Built for civic leader and department store founder George Marston and his family by San Diego architects William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, emphasizing simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue: 619-298-3142. (HILL CREST)

House of Pacific Relations. International Cottages are open every Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. to present the history and traditions of 30 ethnic groups. Select cottages open on fourth Tuesday of the month, Children Around the World videos are shown in Hall of Nations. fourth Tuesday of every month. 619-538-4069. (BALBOA PARK)

J.A. Cooley Museum, an eclectic collection of items - including displays on phonographs, clocks, electric trains, and 20 other types of collections - is featured at the museum. The current fea-





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tured 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.

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, "From the Kumeyaay to the Treganzas: Art Across Time," on view through March 2005, honors Lemon Grove's "founding parents." Kumeyaay are depicted in large wall murals and pictographs by museum's artists-inresidence Kathleen Strzelecki and Janne LaValle. Exhibit includes clothing typical of late Stone Age,

TO AUTUMN

Season of mists and mellow fruitfulness,
Close bosom-friend of the maturing sun;
Conspiring with him how to load and bless
With fruit the vines that round the thatch-eves run;
To bend with apples the moss'd cottage-trees,
And fill all fruit with ripeness to the core;
To swell the gourd, and plump the hazel shells
With a sweet kernel; to set budding more,
And still more, later flowers for the bees,
Until they think warm days will never cease,
For summer has o'er-brimm'd their clammy cells.

Who hath not seen thee oft amid thy store?
Sometimes whoever seeks abroad may find
Thee sitting careless on a granary floor,
Thy hair soft-lifted by the winnowing wind;
Or on a half-reap'd furrow sound asleep,
Drowsed with the fume of poppies, while thy hook
Spares the next swath and all its twined flowers:
And sometimes like a gleaner thou dost keep

Steady thy laden head across a brook; Or by a cider-press, with patient look, Thou watchest the last oozings, hours by hours.

Where are the songs of Spring? Ay, where are they? Think not of them, thou hast thy music too,—While barred clouds bloom the soft-dying day, And touch the stubble-plains with rosy hue; Then in a wailful choir the small gnats mourn Among the river sallows, borne aloft

Or sinking as the light wind lives or dies; And full-grown lambs loud bleat from hilly bourn;

Hedge-crickets sing; and now with treble soft

The redbreast whistles from a garden-croft,

And gathering swallows twitter in the skies.

— John Keats

fossils, utilitarian gourds, items created by members of Treganza family. Companion exhibit traces three decades of modern Lemon Grove history, beginning in 1892. Find the museum at 3185 Olive Street; 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

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

"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

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, 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.

San Diego Maritime Museum, visit the H.M.S. *Surprise* while the ship used in film *Master and Commander* is on exhibit through Tuesday, November 30. See artifacts, costumes, props used in making of the flick.

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Crossings



iUniverse, 2004; 261 pages; \$17.95

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Amid the cracked granite and boulderstrewn mountains across the California-Mexico border, two villages exist side-by-side. Aurelio Gonzalez, a headstrong but naïve college graduate, arrives from Mexico City to fulfill his national teaching commitment.

In the early 1990s, international turmoil has turned the villages' peaceful coexistence into a cauldron of conflict. When Aurelio learns that he is but a "ghost" pro-

fessor in Baja California, he crosses the newly tense border to find work in the U.S. and touches the heart of his boss, Kristin Kuhl.

But U.S. Border Patrol agent Raul Camacho has other ideas for Kristin's affections. Complicating Aurelio's troubled world, Mexican villager Marta Uribe tempts Aurelio with a more profitable, more sensuous path. The mysterious smuggler on the hill also has a special plan for Aurelio.

Through it all, the dreamy magic of the jungle lands of southern Mexico helps Aurelio find his way.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY: Wyrd, a literary magazine published by San Diego State University. In Crossings, McNeece humanizes those who cross the border from Mexico searching for economic opportunities but who never truly leave their homeland. He creates Mexican characters with frailties and strengths for those of us who seldom or never come in contact with Mexicans in a familiar way but only view them from either the often condescending perspectives of employer or customer. The reader comes to know McNeece's main characters as he knows his own family.

This novel, McNeece's first, is clearly the work of an accomplished craftsman. Few authors, even long-established novelists, have McNeece's ability to create fully developed characters, characters you feel for, root for, and — in a few cases — hate.

For anyone who lives in and loves the border area or simply

would like to know what it's like to live near the Mexican-American border, this is a book for you.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: P. Brian McNeece, 52, is a Fullbright scholar in Mexico and English professor at Imperial Valley College. He lives in El Centro with his wife, Angie, and three sons.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Crossings is set in Jacumba, a small community on the U.S.-Mexico border, six miles west of San Diego County. When had he last visited?

"I went up there three weeks ago. They had a big music and arts festival. The town is having a new golden age. They had five stages going. There's a little art institute up by the railroad; they bought a big tin building and they're putting on what they call 'the operas.' And there's an outdoor art gallery." McNeece laughs, "It's pretty funky, but it's kind of neat." A moment goes by. And another. "You do know the whole crossing-the-border thing is over?"

Up until the mid-'90s Americans living in Jacumba who wished to walk over to the Mexican village of Jacumé were free to do so. Likewise, Mexicans living in Jacumé who wished to walk over to the American village of Jacumba were free to do so. "No more walking across the border for parties and visits?"

"Maybe it happens at night where the fence is low — there's still that section of low fence — but, basically, you can't go over to Jacumé. If you climb the fence coming back, you'll be arrested."

McNeece was born in the Imperial Valley. "My dad ran a tire, brake, and wheel shop until 1971. His dad started it in the '20s. I'm still in El Centro, although I was in San Diego for ten years and L.A. for three years.

"I assume that's a rite of passage for Inland Empire teenagers; everybody has to go to San Diego or L.A. for a while?'

"Yeah, that's right. I grew up in the '60s, and we felt this was the most miserable place in the world to live. We spent all our time driving up and down Main Street looking for...something. Everybody in my peer group was going to get out of town as soon as the gavel came down at graduation. The day after I graduated from high school, three friends of mine and I got in a Volkswagen bus and hit

"Where did you go?"

"All the way to Québec, Canada. Toured the United States. Two months. I didn't come back to the valley for six years. Then, I spent a couple years here and went back to San Diego for another eight years."

"Education?"

"U.C. San Diego. I got a bachelor's degree in philosophy. Took four years. Then I went to San Diego State and studied linguistics. I got a master's in linguistics."

"I see you're teaching. How did you come by your job at Impe-

rial Valley College?"

"I was teaching English as a second language at San Diego Community College. Part-time. It was 'I need a job. I need a real job.' Looked in the paper and answered a classified ad.'

'You're kidding me."

"I'm not kidding. I never did plan to go back to Imperial County. It was just circumstances that got me here. I interviewed for a job I didn't get. Then, two weeks later somebody retired unexpectedly. I was the number-two candidate, and I was in. In those days I taught seven classes, now I'm teaching five, but we still have to work; we're not like UC professors."

"Ironic. Fate driving you back to El Centro."

"People around me were hanging their heads. It was 'You've got to go back to Imperial Valley.' I said, 'Man, this is a real job, tenure track.' It didn't take long for people to realize this is a pretty good deal. And you know, I enjoy living in Imperial Valley now. We've got Mexicali and San Felipe nearby, and I speak Spanish.'

"I was wondering about that. Where did you learn Spanish?" "In high school. I went to Guadalajara with a friend of mine. I was 17 years old, stayed down there with a family, and got tuned up. And then I've had a couple jobs. I was a family-planning educator when I was kicking around and had to give lectures in Spanish."

'That's how you got into Aurelio's head, how you incorporated a Mexican point of view into your lead character?"

"I went to Chiapas in the mid-'70s, two summers in a row. I taught English down there. I met a guy, Mayan Indian fellow. He was very idealistic and sort of passive. That's where the germ of the

I asked about his writing life. McNeece says, "I kept a journal since I was 15. I've got stacks of those handwritten journals. Now I journal on my computer. Thirty-seven years."

'What made you decide to make the leap? You were in your 40s when you started writing Crossings. That's pretty late in life to say, 'I'll write a novel."

"That's a good question. This particular topic grabbed me. I've been going through Jacumba all my life. When I was a kid, my parents used to stop at the old hotel. It wasn't until 1994, the period this book started, that I found out there was a little village on the Mexico side. Friends of mine had a house right on the border. These are middle-class American people, and they're living 20 feet from the border, and they were saying nobody had ever bothered them and how this was such an open crossing. I was fascinated by this microcosm of the border and the relations between our two countries.

"I walked over to Jacumé, by myself, met the school teacher and his wife. Came back. And then somebody told me, 'Heck, you don't have to walk; go and sit by the fence and you'll get a ride. So, that was my second trip. I stepped over the fence, sat on the boul-

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and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark Star of India, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat Berkeley, and the 1904 Scottish steam yacht Medea. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of

North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

historic and symbolic role of weapons from around the globe examined in "Weapons of the World: Art, Technology, and Sym-

bolism," 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 collec-San Diego Museum of Man, tors 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 humans, primates, and futuristic cyborgs (part human, part machine)." 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Valley Center History Museum,

the museum features an educational exhibition centered around a California grizzly bear, described as "the only one on view in San Diego.' Also on view: model of an 1862 settler's cabin, collection of Indian baskets, and aerospace display. Find the museum at 29200 Cole Grade Road. 760-749-2993. (VALLEY CENTER)



The Speakers

Workshops are taught by Sujantra McKeever, Dave Siegel and Atulya Berube, all experienced instructors and longtime students of meditation. Sujantra has lectured in 23 countries and authored four books on spiritual philosophy. Dave is a computer wiz, actor and comedian. Atulya is the manager of Pilgrimage of the Heart, a metaphysical bookstore.

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*Book signing: Sujantra will be signing copies of his book Learn to Meditate at the October 2 class.

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Wednesday, September 29 thru Monday, November 22 – Exhibit: Evviva la Madonna Nera!: Italian American Devotion to the Black Madonna. Central Library, 820 E Street, (619) 236-5800.

Sunday, October 3 at 2:00 pm - Playwrights Project: Soul Fire: Excerpts of the full production, a vibrant piece of live theater using music, dance, and original text to illuminate the actual and spiritual journeys of ten immigrants to San Diego. Central Library, 820 E Street, (619) 236-5800.

Monday, October 4 at 6:00 pm – Film: Of Men and Gods: Groundbreaking film explores the intersection between homosexuality and Haitian Vodou, discussion following the screening. Weingart/City Heights Library Performance Annex, 3795 Fairmount Ave., (619) 641-6123.

Monday, October 4 thru Thursday, December 30 – Photographic Exhibition: *Las Abuelas*. Photography by Peter Holderness. **Central Library, 820** E **Street,** (619) 236-5800.

Wednesday, October 6 at 6:30 pm – Book discussion: *Gendered Stories*: The group will discuss Tahar Ben Jelloun's *The Sand Child*. Central Library, 820 E Street, (619) 236-5800.



These programs are part of the Library's "Stories of Faith: Religion and Diversity in San Diego," a series made possible in part by a grant from the California Council for the Humanities' Communities Speak project

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der, and waited for a ride. That's where that scene in the book came from — the seven kids getting in the smuggler's car. I was just sitting there on a boulder and it happened."

"Did you figure you had a book from the very beginning, or did it grow on you?"

"As soon as I found out about Jacumé and saw that it was a thriving little world, I said, 'This is perfect for a novel.' I knew my way into it. I've had a lot of ideas for a novel sitting in my computer, and they never have taken spark, never really grown. This one leaped."

"Which character was hardest to write?'

"Raul, the macho Border Patrol agent. I wanted to make him more likable. That was a guy I struggled with, how much of him to put in and why he was such a fanatic. And Aurelio, the main character, was hard because I'm not Mexican; that life is distant from my experience. I got him from conversations I've had with friends in Mexicali, college graduates. There is an idealism and naïveté that keeps coming through."

"I thought you caught that." I mention that I'd once had an office in a small Mexican village 80 miles south of Ensenada. Spent the best part of three years in the area. "There's a long, narrow climb through a mountain pass

on the way to the village. The residents, including those who'd been to school and spoke very good English, said that if you are alone, and it's late at night, an angel will come, sit on your shoulder, and guide you through the mountain pass. Then they watch TV, drive their cars, eat their frozen foods, telephone their relatives in New York City - everything is First World — and none of it disturbs magical thinking. "Yeah. I'm glad you brought

"The residents said that if you are alone, and it's late at night. an angel will come, sit on your shoulder, and guide you through

that up. I wanted to make Aurelio skeptical of that, because he's educated, but it's so much a part of his culture that he eventually becomes swept up in it."

the mountain pass."

"When did you start writing the book?"

"I started in '96. I had a sabbatical, one semester. I made a proposal to do something else, not write a novel. I was conducting a research study on our students and writing the novel surreptitiously. I got 80 percent of my first draft done in one semester. That was in '96. And then it was slow going. Picking along with it.

Then, in '98, I was diagnosed with cancer. I was on chemo for all of '99. Stage-three melanoma. I didn't have a mole; I had a tumor. Two surgeries in late '98. Stuff called high-dose interferon, where you're in the hospital for a month and then give yourself injections three times a week for a year. It was pretty bad. It was tough. It worked.

'I didn't get back to the novel for another year. Until 2000. And then I kept working on it, working away on weekends, here and there. Characters finding their own lives, finding their own identities, really happened to me. The novel had been set aside for two years, so when I picked it up again, I already knew all those people, knew those places."

"In two years you changed, which means your characters would have changed."

"That's right. Everything in me changed. Life was serious business, more fragile than I'd seen it before."

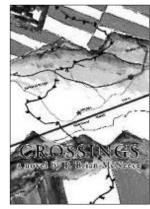
"How did that change your manuscript?"

Three days after this conversation I received an e-mail from McNeece.

I was thinking about your question: How did my characters change after the two-year hiatus from novel writing that my cancer caused?

My first reaction on the phone was that I became more sensitive to them, and they became more sensitive to each other.

Upon further reflection, I have to say that they did not



change so much as they became more insistent. I guess that's what I meant when I said I grew more sensitive to them. It was like they had been on break from the job of telling their stories for those many months. All the coffee had been drunk and the cigarettes smoked and the magazines perused. They were ready to get back to work, ready to discuss with me how to improve their various scenes in the book.

And I say scenes deliberately, for though it's a novel, my thinking is definitely film based, and I visualize my actors in their places on the set of each

As I reread through my manuscript, Aurelio would tell me, "I need more magic in this scene; you've neglected that element here. You're not being consistent."

And the mysterious smuggler on the hill said, "I need to be introduced earlier on; the readers will be offended by a late, unannounced entrance.

Kristin would complain, arms akimbo, that I hadn't given her much of a reason to fall for Aurelio and why was she offering Raul something to eat right after he had told her about Javier dying. And so on.

Certainly I had been changed by my siege against cancer (mediated by my siege against the malaise of high-dose interferon). But my first year after that battle was also a struggle against an "Ah, what's the use?" attitude of maybe not having time to finish the novel.

I wallowed around in that mode for a while, until a sense of urgency began to creep up on me. Like, well, if I'm not going to die soon, at least I have to finish this thing before I croak. Meanwhile, the reallife situation that my novel was trying to illuminate was fading into the past. So my characters were impatient with me; they had a job to do — tell the story of Jacumé and Jacumba through the transition from a tranquil, funky village symbiosis across an international border to a tense war zone invaded by strangers. They wanted me to get to work to tell the story.

When I came back to the work after those two years of ignoring it, I came back sighing and intimidated. Would I be able to find my way again?

One afternoon following a family spat, I got in my car and started driving. I headed to Mexicali, then west toward Rumorosa, where I stopped for directions. Night fell, and I found myself sailing north on the undulating gravel road to

Jacumé. My character, Aurelio, had taken this road, but I hadn't. Until then, I always walked or hitched a ride from Jacumba. Once in Jacumé, the heavy darkness and deserted streets made me feel vulnerable and exposed. At the dry goods store, I asked for Maria [Maria Mercado, owner of the store and a character in Crossings]. A wiry clerk with penetrating green eyes gave me the once-over and told me offhandedly, "Oh, she died. Her truck rolled." I mumbled my regret. He said, "Ah well."

He gave his name as Chivo. I told him I was writing a book about Jacumé. His quick retort, "Still?"

I began to ask him questions about the changes in the town since the fence went up. A woman called to him from the back. "Wait a minute," he answered. "I'm talking to the detective.'

I drove back home that night energized by a sense of danger, but also replenished by the air of Jacumé, the sound of crushed gravel beneath my feet, the forlorn tatters of decorations on the barren town plaza, the dark streets, the muffled conversations beyond the fences and closed doors.

So I came back to my characters and their demands for attention - and started listening to them page by page.

Later I realized that Chivo was undoubtedly Maria Mercado's brother. It was the powerful eyes that gave him away. And the store must have stayed in the family

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Mendelssohn's "Hebrides Overture" is on program when Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra presents first concert of Celebrity series hosted by La Jolla Music Society, Friday, October 1. Also on program are pieces by Ravel, Beethoven. Concert begins at 8 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$35, \$60, \$85, \$105. Reservations: 858-459-3728. (DOWNTOWN)

Mezzo-Soprano Suzanna Guzmán works with students on

Friday, October 1, 7 p.m., to prepare scenes for upcoming performances of "Figaro, Figaro, Figaro!" (October 9 and 10). Workshop, open to public, in Cooper 115 at Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive). \$5. 619-849-2445. (POINT LOMA)

Selections by Brahms, Tchaikovsky, and Shostakovich promised when violinist Mary Kim, pianist Mary Au, cellist Ruslan Biryukov perform Saturday, October 2, 7:30 p.m., in Crill Performance Hall, Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive). 619-849-2200. Free. (POINT LOMA)

Annual Metropolitan Opera Auditions take place Saturday, October 2, 11 a.m., in Shiley Theater at University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. Requested spectator donation: \$5. 619-479-8184 or 858-755-8727. Winners' concert: October 24. (LINDA VISTA)

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Organ Concert by civic organist Carol Williams on Sunday, October 3,

2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

Australian-Born Flutist Kathleen Gallagher presents DMA recital — with selections by Steve Reich, Michael Finnissy, Brian Ferneyhough — on Monday, October 4, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Finnissy piece, entitled "Sikangnuaga," includes modern dance. Artist Alison Holman will paint throughout concert. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

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"Theme and Variations: The European Collection" highlighted during four-part concert and lecture series hosted by San Diego Museum of Art and Chamber Music Society of Temecula. Musical selections by Michael Praetorius, J.S. Bach, Bottessini, Debussy. Grossmont College art history instructor Malia Serrano discusses the museum's holdings of European art. \$15.619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

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GALLERIES

"Imagine That," a national juried book arts exhibition, opens with reception on Friday, October 1, 6:30 p.m., at La Jolla Fiber Arts (7644 Girard Avenue). Exhibition jurors Erika Torri and Lynda Corey Claassen chose 37 artists to exhibit unique or editioned books in all book arts media. Second reception offered Saturday, October 2, 6:30 p.m. 858-454-6732. Closes Saturday, November 20. (LA JOLLA)

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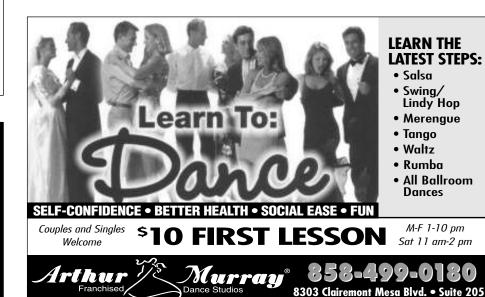
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"24th Annual International Exhibition," display of watermedia paintings opens with reception on Friday, October 1, 5 p.m., at San Diego Watercolor Society's Showcase Gallery (Studio Building, 2400 Kettner Boulevard). Juror Don Andrews selected 88 paintings to include. 619-338-0502. Through October. (LITTLE ITALY)

"Any Sluts 25 Bucks." exhibit of solo works by NeKo opens with reception on Friday, October 1, 6 p.m., at Voice 1156 (1156 Seventh Avenue). Closes Friday, October 29. 619-757-4966. (DOWNTOWN)

"Façades" - a series of photographs of architectural façades in Toronto, New York, and Paris by Volker Seding — is on view through Saturday, October 16, at Joseph Bellows Gallery (7661 Girard Avenue). Also on view: "Waterfall" by John Pfahl, Reception: Saturday, October 2, 6 p.m. 858-456-5620. (LA JOLLA)

"Selections from the Studio" by San Diego artist Richard Allen Morris go on exhibit with reception on Saturday, October 2, 5 p.m., at new location of R.B. Stevenson (7661 Girard Avenue, suite 201). Show continues through Saturday, November 6. 858-459-3917. (LA JOLLA)

"Earthly Pleasures" offering work by seven local ceramic sculptors, is on view through Wednesday, October 13, in Gotthelf Art at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). Artists reception is Saturday, October 2, 6 p.m. 858-362-1154. (LA JOLLA)

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.

The Mingei is located on the square with the San Diego Museum of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. 619-239-0003.

Mingei International Museum, North County Satellite,

'The Beaded Universe — Strands of Culture" includes beads from 40 cultures, inspired by and based on The History of Beads by Lois Sherr Dubin. Exhibit includes beaded globe four feet in diameter created by Huichol Indians, a Yoruba chief's robe, garments by New York artist Sandra Rubel.

Concurrently, see "JoAnn Tanzer — Architectural Enamels.' Works were created by painting with vitreous glass on steel. Both exhibits continue through Febru-

Ongoing: "Horses — Circling the Globe" includes animals from India, China, Japan, Indonesia, Sweden, England, Guatemala, Mexico, and the U.S. Some have religious connections, some were made as toys. A selection of Navajo blankets is also on display. Find the museum at 155 West Grand Avenue. 760-735-3355. (ESCONDIDO)

Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown,

"Lewis DeSoto: Paranirvana" is a "26-foot-long air-inflated installation." In the piece, "religion, biography, and technology converge to raise profound questions about life, death, and spirituality." DeSoto portrays himself as Buddha at moment of death and supreme consciousness; he was inspired by rock carving of 12th-Century Gal Vihara Buddha in Sri Lanka. Closes on Sunday, November 7.

The "Cerca Series" continues with "Informal Economy Vendors" by artist Julio Morales (a Tijuana native), opening Thursday, October 7 and continuing through Sunday, November 14. Morales creates conceptual works of art based on digital technologies. The project "explores the influence of Latin American economic strategies that appear in California as a result of economic adaptation."

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.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Oceanside Museum of Art, over 95 regional and national artists are represented in the "Art Auction and Exhibition" opening on Sunday, October 3. Paintings, sculpture, glass, textiles, ceramics showcased. Exhibit concludes with fine art auction on Saturday, October 23. Find the museum at 704

Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, the history of the nation's visual culture is explored in "American Beauty: Painting and Sculpture from the Detroit Institute of the Arts, 1770-1920." Approximately 90 works are featured, by artists including Benjamin West, John Singleton Copley, Mary Cassatt, John Singer Sargent, Winslow Homer, Frederic Remington, others. Enjoy exhibit through Sunday, October 3.

"Visions of the Great Goddess: The Divine Female in South Asian Art," focuses on cultural and artistic significance of goddess imagery in South Asia in paintings from Edwin Binney 3rd Collection. Works feature Devi, the "Great Goddess" or the "First Cause of Things" in four aspects - as a great power, a bestower of fortune, a beloved, and a human saint. Continues through Sunday, March 13, 2005. Concurrently, there's a small display of related sculptures from South India. including a newly acquired Cholaperiod bronze of Goddess Devi.

Explore aspects of "the Golden Age of Dutch culture" through "rarely exhibited and relatively unknown medium of domestic tiles" in "Seventeenth-Century Dutch Tiles from the Museum's Collection," on view through Sunday, January 9, 2005. Show focuses on history of tile making, its use, pic-

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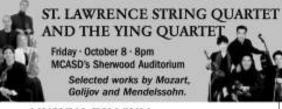
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way for a March opening. And it's almost ready. Last

week first-nighters were treated to one of the most polished per-

formances in recent memory. World-premiere musicals, and San Diego's become the springboard for them, often have an underlying angst — "we've GOT to make this dog BARK" lurking between the lines. Casts grit their teeth through fake smiles. Determination replaces delight (an example: the Old Globe's recent Lucky Duck). Scoundrels is different. The performers are having so much fun it looks as if they'd do the show - singing David Yazbek's rich, eclectic score and spicy lyrics, speaking Jeffrey Lane's witty, pinpoint-accurate one-liners, puns, and malaprops — without an audience.

The musical's based on the 1988 Frank Oz movie, in which Michael Caine and Steve Martin play versions of the same "type." Both strive to be urbane, but one's inept. This gives their byplay little room to maneuver. In a smart change from the original, John Lithgow stretches Caine's character into self-adoration: Lawrence Jameson isn't just suave. He's so awed by his savoir-faire there aren't near enough mirrors at his palatial Beaumont-Sur-Mer estate. His image cons him into certitude.

Rather than Martinize his character, Norbert

Leo Butz makes Freddy the exact opposite of Lawrence. In fact, if asked to make Freddie like Lawrence, Pygmalion would throw away his chisel. Given his druthers, which he lists in "Great Big Stuff," Freddy opts for the crass and the vul-

gar (and, for reasons unexplained, gout"). These new emphases release the script from the movie. (Though a winning tandem already, Lithgow and Butz could

explore the differences even more: Butz, for example, could really raunch into "Great Big Stuff," much more than on opening night.)

The song title "Nothing Is Too Wonderful to Be True" could come from Cole Porter. But when Freddie sings it with the seemingly naïve Christine (an able Sherie Rene Scott), his tasteless lyrics deconstruct her dreamy lines, and vice versa.

The character changes do something else. For someone who hasn't seen the movie, at first Scoundrels comes across as industrial-strength sexist. Lawrence and Freddy exploit gullible women. Having the men play opposites, as opposed to versions of the same type, opens up male gender dupes when the real sting goes down.

Think of traditional farce and you see a rear wall with at least six doors. These open and slam shut, often. But imagine a scenic design — of the French Riviera, no less — as fluid as farce! The scene changes for David Rockwell's gorgeous sets are instantaneous. Characters exit, new characters enter, and the stage has reconfigured: props roll on, or spin on a revolve, drops fly in and out. Kenneth Posner's lighting establishes the mood — be it the romance of blinking lights and



Norbert Leo Butz, John Lithgow in Dirty Rotten Scoundrels

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, by Jeffrey Lane and David Yazbek

Old Globe Theatre, Simon Edison Centre for the Performing Arts, Balboa Park
Directed by Jack O'Brien; cast: John Lithgow, Norbert Leo Butz, Sherie Rene Scott, Joanna Gleason,
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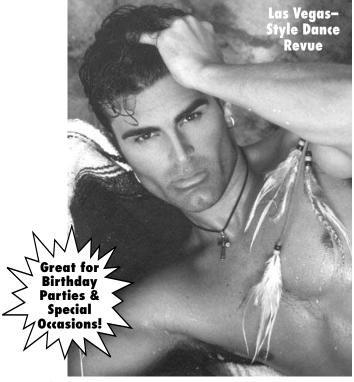
The Love of Three Oranges, by Carlo Gozzi, adapted by Nona Ciobanu and James Magruder La Jolla Playhouse, Mandell Weiss Performing Arts Center, UCSD

Directed by Nona Ciobanu; cast: John Altieri, Pascale Armand, Colette Beauvais, Tina Benko, Donald Corren, Carmen Gill, Owiso Odera, Jim Parsons, Time Winters; set and costumes, Ciobanu and Julian Baltatescu; lighting, Baltatescu

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You could almost call Jack O'Brien's direction choreography as well. Clean, precise, invisible if you aren't watching for it, this is the work of a master at the top of his game.

Every play and musical has a kind of inner clock. Hamlet, for example, takes as long, and no longer, than it must. Same with A Chorus Line. At present Scoundrels plays past its inner clock. It will need cutting. But where? The writing's so tight, the scenes so solid, that feathering out individual lines won't do. The long, brassy "Oklahoma?" number in Act One might be rethought (but then they'd have to cut the rhyming of "Oklahoma" with "melanoma"). The subplot in Act Two, in which Muriel falls for the police chief, is useful as a counterpoint but needs to be either spunked up or trimmed. But whatever else goes - and difficult choices lie ahead — one hopes Lawrence's limerick remains

intact: "the Bushes of Tex / Became nervous wrecks / Because their son was so dim / ...but look what happened to him."

It's one of the great "Oh, yeah?" stories of theater. In 1761, Count Carlo Gozzi wrote savage critiques of Carlo Goldoni's pleasant comedies. They lacked the true *commedia dell'arte* spirit, Gozzi fumed. Finally, Goldoni had had enough. "Think you're so smart? Think you can do better?" — legend has him confronting Gozzi in a Venice bookstore... "go ahead!"

bookstore — "go ahead!"
Gozzi did. He wrote *The Love of Three Oranges*, in the true *commedia* spirit, and became the toast of Italy.

Gozzi wrote a scenario more than a script. He took a story, blocked out scenes in successive paragraphs, and let actors playing Pantalone, Truffaldino, Smeraldina, and the invidious Fata Morgana take it from there. In the La Jolla Playhouse production, Romanian guest artist Nona Ciobanu goes a step further: the set assumes a starring role.

It's not a set, really, just an enormous yellow curtain that takes up the entire rear wall.

But the elastic drop's rarely a curtain. In the beginning it's a pregnant stomach, which gives birth to young hypochondriacextraordinaire Tartaglia. Later it's the giant, trembling witch Creonta. At other times objects bulge from it in bas relief. In one of the production's most majestic images, the curtain bellies forward, like a full sail, and the wizard Celio (suspended by wires) bounds across it like a slalom skier, or — or you pick: Ciobanu's free-spirited visuals make for open-ended interpretation.

Dressed in yellow clown costumes and led by Jim Parson's witty/whiney Targaglia, the cast performs commedialike physical comedy riffs. James Magruder's English adaptation includes riffs of its own, as when he refers to sleeping around as "collateral congress."

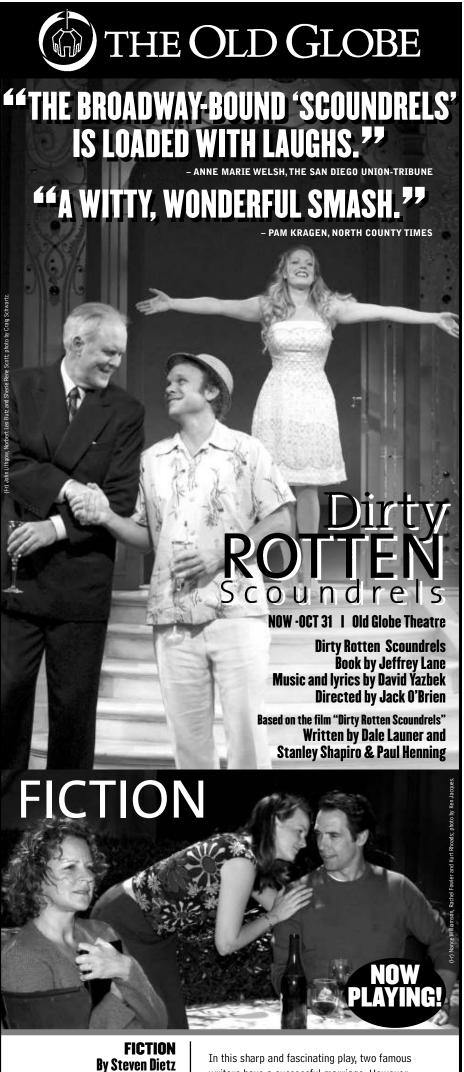
Gozzi's vaunted story's pretty flimsy. Prince Tartaglia has terminal hypochondria. The only cure's to make him laugh. Once cured, he's cursed to fall in love with three specific oranges. Not to worry. The villains of the piece may rank among the least fearsome in theater.

Like Julie Taymor's staging of Gozzi's *Green Bird* at the Playhouse, *Oranges* is great eye candy, but little more. Taken in the *commedia* spirit, it's a 90-minute lark. Taken in any other, or compared to the *Simone Machards* of Playhouse seasons past, it's featherweight.

THEATER LISTINGS

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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

Cirque du Soleil with horses, but not always as "magical." On a stage so huge they could almost run Ben-Hur's chariot race (in fact they do, when three "Roman riders" stand on six horses, two per rider, and sprint around the track), *Cavalia* is, at once, a history of the world (slides on a 200 foot wide cyclorama come forward in time from a Lascaux cave



to a Roman aqueduct to abstract art), a gymnastics show, a Wild West melee, and, on occasion, a display of magnificent animals running free or performing tricks with horse whisperer Frederic Pignon. The spectacle's slow to start, and often quite busy. Flipping, bungee-jumping acrobats upstage the animals, and sometimes each other — as if they must keep the pace in hot pursuit (one also wonders what the horses are thinking; they follow commands, though often at their own speed; do they understand audience applause? do they gauge it?). But when Pignon, who's hair's as long as a horse's mane, plays with three white Lusitano stallions in a quiet autumnal setting, the gimmicks

and hectic staging disappear, and the graceful scene spellbinds. Worth a try.

THE BIG TOP, DEL MAR FAIRGROUNDS (VIA DE LA VALLE TURNOFF, I-5), DEL MAR, THROUGH OCTOBER 8; 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.

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 especially Steve Shapiro's realistic sounds, which range from baseballs popping gloves to street noises to the horror of the Holocaust.

Worth a try.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE. 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH OCTOBER 24; THURS-DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

Cool As We Fly

Ruff Yeager presents the world premiere of his drama about young Emily, a deaf girl, who interprets the dreams of three "intimate strangers" through American Sign Language. Esther Emery directed. ADAMS AVENUE STUDIO OF THE ARTS, 2804 ADAMS AVENUE, NORMAL HEIGHTS, THROUGH OCTOBER 9; FRI-DAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AND MONDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-253-7291.

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Crowns

The San Diego Repertory Theatre opens its new season with Regina Taylor's musical adaptation of the book Crowns: Portraits of Black Women in Church Hats, by Michael Cunningham and Craig Marberry. Patdro Harris directed and choreographed.

SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, THROUGH OCTOBER 31; SUNDAY AND TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

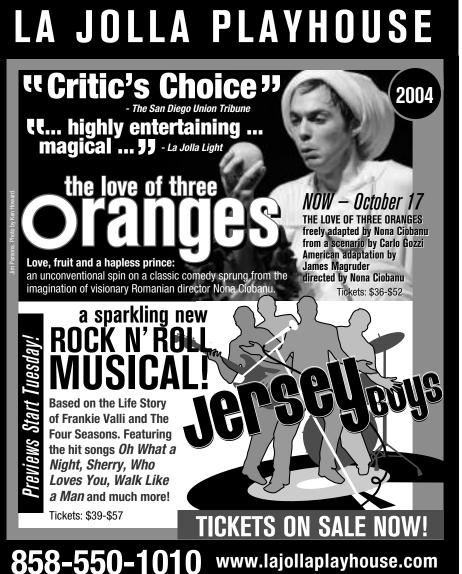
The Desert Song

The 1926 operetta, which many say is the best of its era, has a book by Otto Harbach and Oscar Hammerstein. It's Lawrence of Arabia does Zorro, in French Morocco. The mysterious Red Shadow aids the Riff Rebellion against French oppressors. But who is he? The creaky book can't mask its tricks, but Sigmund Romberg's exotic score couldn't care less. It proceeds with artistic arrogance. It knows it's got the goods. So does the Lawrence Welk production. From full choral explosions to terrific leads, everyone contributes with assurance - especially Andrew Husmann as Pierre/the Red Shadow. His remarkable voice is matched by the ease with which he employs it. Other highlights: Moorish sets and flowing silks add to the production's allure. Dan Tullis's booming baritone makes the ground shake — when he speaks! Jennifer Bangs scores as Margot, in particular 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 gets to say lines like, "Nice suit. Whadja do...shoot a couch?"

Worth a try.

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

Reviewed this issue. Critic's pick.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH OCTOBER 31: TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SAT-URDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATUR-DAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

Escanaba in da Moonlight

Cygnet Theatre presents Jeff Daniels' comedy about the opening day of hunting season, 1989. Now 35, Reuben Soady has yet to bag a buck. So he's altering time-tested rituals.

CYGNET THEATRE COMPANY, 6663 EL CAION BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, THROUGH NOVEMBER 7; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-337-1525, X3

Ethel Sings

6th@ Penn Theatre presents a staged reading of local playwright Joan Beber's "romantic dark comedy" about Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AV ENUE, HILLCREST, MONDAY, OCTOBER 4. THROUGH WEDNESDAY. OCTOBER 6, AT 7:30 P.M. 619-688-

Fiction

The Old Globe Theatre presents Steven Dietz's new play about Linda and Michael Waterman. She has three weeks to live and wants to read his diary. He can read hers after she's gone. Richard Seer directed.

CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SI-MON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PER-FORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THURS-DAY, SEPTEMBER 30, THROUGH

OCTOBER 31; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P M MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255

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.

Irish Step Dancing

Dublin Square Irish Pub and Grille presents "San Diego's answer to the Celtic wave," an evening of contemporary and traditional Irish dancing, music, and song. DUBLIN SQUARE IRISH PUB AND GRILLE, 554 FOURTH AVENUE, DOWN-TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 9:30 P.M. 619-239-5818.

Joev and Maria's Comedy Italian Wedding

The Culy Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater,3 as Joey and Maria tie the knot. DAVE AND BUSTER'S, 2931 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH MISSION VALLEY AND 1355 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE, DOWN-TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN. FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL 800-944-5639.

Late-Night Catechism

The Laguna Playhouse has extended the run of this popular show several times. It's an "interactive adult catechism" class. taught by a sister from the sparenot-the-rod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister is substituting (it's the regular teacher's poker night, don't tell a soul). She used to teach but was deemed too strict for contemporary students. And the class is just that, part of a course 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'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.

A Lie of the Mind

SDSU Theatre opens its season with Sam Shepard's psychological drama about the disintegration of a family.

EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY, 550 CAMPANILE DRIVE, COLLEGE AREA, THROUGH OCTO-BER 3; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-594-6884.

Life Before Sex & Life With a Teenager...I'm Having a Hot Flashback

North Coast Repertory Theatre stages two one-acts by Moira Keefe. Cynthia Stokes directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, AND MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, AT 7:30 P.M. 858-481-1055.

The Love of Three Oranges Reviewed this issue

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS FORUM, THROUGH OCTOBER 17; TUES-DAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATUR-DAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010

Maternal Spirits

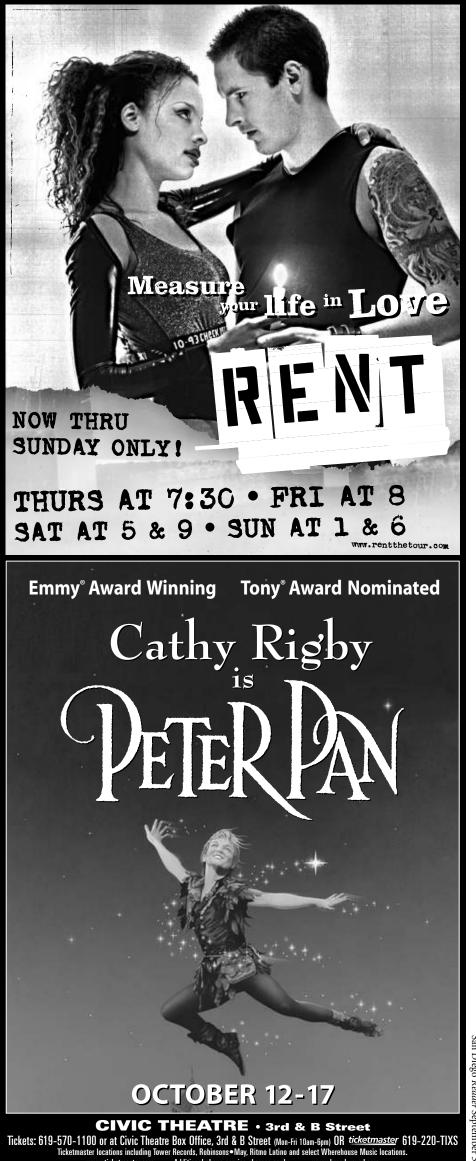
Scripps Ranch Theatre opens its new season with Jim Caputo's romantic comedy about "love with a spirited twist."

SCRIPPS RANCH THEATRE, LEGLER BEN BOUGH THEATRE, INTERNATIONAL UNI-VERSITY, 10455 POMERADO ROAD, SCRIPPS RANCH, THROUGH OCTO-BER 10; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-578-7728.

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National Comedy Theatre

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling "where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags' National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more

than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympa-'Shakespeare," "Blind Line,' and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian Worth a try.

MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET MISSION HILLS OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. 619-295-

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.

Prodigal Son

The Ira Aldridge Repertory Players, in association with Community Actors Theatre, presents Calvin

Manson's musical adaptation of James Weldon Johnson's God's

COMMUNITY ACTOR'S THEATRE 2957 54TH STREET, SAN DIEGO, FRIDAY, OC-TOBER 1. THROUGH OCTOBER 31. FRI-DAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATI NEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-264-3391

A Raisin in the Sun

A great play! It's amazing how much Lorraine Hansberry packed into a South Side household in 1950s Chicago. The three generations of Youngers agree they're so stuck even their dreams are "tired." And their reactions to dreams "deferred" are as diverse as those described in Langston Hughes' poem (the play, in fact, unfolds like a reading of Hughes' lines). In a co-production which closes this weekend! - Ion Theatre and Common Ground Theatre mesh. One could quibble here and there, but overall the Claudio Raygoza-directed piece serves the play well, finding its humor and its heart, its "hills and valleys" (as Mama says about taking the true measure of a person. and as Hansberry practices with every character she writes). Sylvia M'Lafi Thompson makes Mama both fragile and a force. This is one of San Diego's finest actors doing some of her finest work. Monique Gaffney shines as Beneatha (a preview of the '60s, who embraces her African roots and strong feminist impulses and will

stand "beneath" no one). And for those who think the Youngers will be "movin' on up" when they get to 406 Clyborne Street, Dale Morris's chilly, smiling, racist Linder promises "unfair" housing then and now. George C. Wolfe spoofed Raisin in a skit called The Last Mama-on-the-Couch Play." But guess what. A Raisin in the Sun grows more relevant with every passing day. Worth a try.

LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 3; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

Remains

Seema Sueko's world-premiere drama makes a bold mission statement for her new Mo'oleo Performing Arts Company. Remains is 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. A Muslim and a woman, Laila makes friends, defies stereotypes, and eventually becomes politicized, though how much depends on which version of her story you be lieve, as various factions compete for the truth. Seema Sueko? In parts of San Diego she's already a household word. Anyone who saw her in the Old Globe's Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow will never forget her bounding nonstop for

two hours, at once engaging, funny, and deep. Her 90-minute script, which falls somewhere between a travelogue and a play, is on the talky side. Siobhan Sullivan's direction is thoughtful. Performances by Linda Libby (as Laila's shattered mother) and Katheryn Venverloh (as an officious governmental flak) are riveting. And Sueko's a wonder as Laila. One of the strengths of Remains, which is based in part on a trip Sueko made to the Holy Land: on several occasions the piece cuts through the Babel of rhetoric and puts human faces on the many-sided crisis. Worth a try.

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.

Rent

Broadway*San Diego presents the bittersweet musical about artists struggling in today's world. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 202 C STREET, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTO-BER 3: THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 P.M. AND 9:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 1:00 P.M AND 6:00 P.M. 619-570-1100.

The Retreat From Moscow

South Coast Repertory Theatre stages the West Coast premiere of William Nicholson's drama about a waning, 33-year marriage and the

"frosty battle" that ensues. Martin Benson directed. SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, JULIANNE AREGYROS STAGE, 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, THROUGH OCTOBER 17; TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 714-708-5555.

San Diego Theatresports

A cross between improvisational comedy and Family Feud. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but San Diego Theatresports' "game show" is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" - five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, has written one of the few brilliant books (Improv) I've ever

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Smoke on the Mountain

Lamb's Players Theatre presents Connie Ray's gospel-musical about the Sanders Family Singers "Of course, the bus just broke down, Uncle Stanley's fresh out of prison, and sister June still can't sing." Kerry Meads directed. (Note: due to popular demand, Lamb's has extended the run of this show.)

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ENUE BETWEEN COLLEGE AND 70TH), THROUGH OCTOBER 3; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATI-NEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUN-DAY AT 2:30 P.M. 619-437-0600.

The Sopranos' Last Supper

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Stepbrothers in Crime

6th@Penn Theatre presents Fit to Be Tied, by Georges Feydeau, and The Harmfulness of Tobacco by Anton Chekhov. Terry Glaser directed

6TH@PENN THEATRE 3704 SIXTH AV-ENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, THROUGH OCTOBER 31; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P M SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

Thief River

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 in-

competent. 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 LINIVERSITY HEIGHTS THROUGH OCTOBER 2; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 7:00 P M 619-220-0097

Three Days of Rain

OnStage Playhouse presents Richard Greenberg's memory play about "love, rivalry, and genius. Daniel M. Zisko directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AV-ENLIE CHILLA VISTA THROUGH OCTO-BER 9; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-422-7787.

Triple Espresso: A Highly Caffeinated Comedy

Hugh Butternutt's done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — "Grape," "Scandinavian Blizzard," or "Mokoko Cocoa

Mocha" — Hugh plays '70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh's anniversary, got stuck in the '70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They're "losers," they admit, but not "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.

HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GASLAMP QUARTER, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURS-DAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUN-DAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

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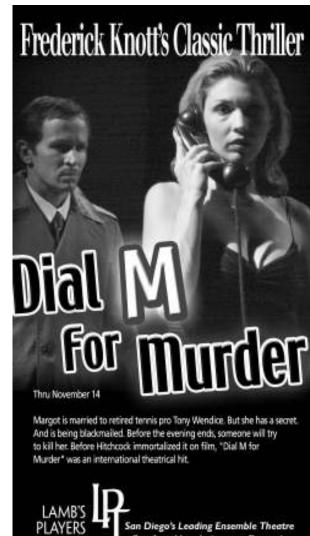
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Although security

would not let anyone in with traditional cameras, there were plenty of people using wireless camera phones to according to Millie McMilion of the UCSD scheduling office for sport facilities. "It's not just our policy, it's also about respecting other people's privacy as far as the people who are doing the entertaining," she said.

McMilion did not attend the Pixies show.

"I was at an Olivia

the inside track

take pictures at the sold-out Pixies show Tuesday, September 21, at UCSD's RIMAC Arena. Except for the glowing blue presence of the camera phone, it was like 1992 all over again, with the scent of patchouli and pot snaking across the concert floor as Frank Black, Kim Deal, David Lovering, and Joey Santiago performed an approximately 25-song, two-hour set of their hits from the late 1980s and early 1990s.

Cameras are strictly prohibited at RIMAC Arena,

Newton-John concert there awhile ago," McMilion said, "and people were doing the same thing," she said. "And there were signs all over the place saying, 'No cameras allowed.'

How does security handle violators of the no-camera policy?

"I'm sure if people were using them, they would be asked not to," McMilion said.

The Pixies took the stage at about 9 p.m. Pacific Beach residents Jack Kittinger, 25, and Kim Weiler, 24, were using a camera cell phone to take pictures while the Pixies' lead guitarist Joey Santiago used a beer bottle as a slide on his guitar.

"Every time I would take a picture, they [security] would shine the light and tell us, 'No.'"

Aline Thiebaut, 28, of Burgundy, France, used her camera phone during the song "Nimrod's Son."

song "Nimrod's Son."

"The quality is really bad," she said. "I can show you the pictures." She reviewed a few stills that she had captured with her Motorola phone. The quality was so poor, it just looked like bright lights in a dark room. The Pixies were hardly recognizable. I asked if you could print them out on a computer.

"I cannot hook it up on my computer," she said. "I might have to buy something to do that."

— Kristen McLaughlin

Rancho Bernardo's

Musicmatch.com is being purchased by Yahoo! for \$160 million cash.

Musicmatch launched online music sales in September 2003 and is currently selling around one million songs per month, with members paying \$8 monthly for access. Yahoo! hopes to compete with Apple's online music service,



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iTunes, a pay-per-song service reporting average sales of almost three million songs a week at 99 cents each.

Among the assets acquired by Yahoo! is software that enables customers to play, burn, download, and archive a collection of up to 900,000 songs. The firm recently offered a new à la carte song service (similar to Apple's) and Internet radio, which offers 200 preprogrammed stations.

The à la carte service and the ability to manage digital music on a computer desktop are not current Yahoo! features. The Musicmatch purchase, according to the newest figures compiled by Nielsen/NetRatings, could enable Yahoo!'s music customer base to rise from 12.9 million to over 23 million paying customers.

"I think Yahoo! sees that we've maintained exclusivity on a number of devices, ideas, and programs they can use to capture a large part of the online music market," says Musicmatch vice president for business development Bob Ohlweiler.

Ohlweiler
had no comment
on the \$160
million cash
payment other
than "The
transaction will
be completed
soon. It's a
closely held
company, so all
of us are happy
with the reward
for our work....
We have around

170 employees and expect most will remain working here in San Diego for Yahoo!" The morning after the Musicmatch purchase was announced, Yahoo! shares on the NASDAQ stock market gained 62 cents, or 2 percent.

— Jay Allen Sanford

Before Doug Bentz and Sam Reed embarked on a cross-country bike ride to raise money for the Make-A-Wish Foundation, the San Diegans loaded their iPods with tunes —5000 of them.

"I have a pretty large MP3 collection," Reed says. "I remember [thinking]...that it was nine days' worth of music if you played it continuously."

The \$299 iPods were



REED AND BENTZ PLUG IPODS FOR LEG PAIN

about 30 percent of both of the 27-year-olds' gear costs. By comparison, a tent cost them \$30

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"It ended up actually being one of the best purchases that we made," Reed says. "We were cutting toothbrushes in half to try to save weight, and then we brought iPods, so it was definitely a luxury item. We were saving little grams here and there." They also brought a charger.

Reed says the music of Red Hot Chili Pepper guitarist John Frusciante helped him make it through headwinds and rough mountain passes. "It keeps your mind engaged and distracted from the leg pain."

Both say music complemented the rustic terrain of middle America and the western United States, which took them though six mountain passes on the way to the coast. Bentz and Reed started out in Ticonderoga, N.Y., June 16 and crossed the finish line at Cottonwood Creek Park in Encinitas September 12, traveling 5682 miles through 12 states.

Bentz says, "Metallica got me up the hills."

Older music, like Tom Petty's "Free Fallin'" and "Into the Great Wide Open," really completed the bike experience as well, Reed says.

"There were a couple moments where just everything seemed to align," he says. "There was a time I was riding in the middle of the country, a beautiful day, a pretty flat ride, I look over and there's a bunch of wild horses that, like, joined in the chase and started running alongside of us.... The music intensifies it."

Bentz says his iPod was loaded with everything from 50 Cent to Bach and Beethoven symphonies.

One night, while camping in the Badlands of North Dakota, Bentz says he fell asleep to Otis Redding while trying to ignore a herd of buffalo grazing ten feet away.

"We could either decide to go to sleep or worry about getting trampled."

— Pat Sherman

When 'Canes announced in June that it was discontinuing its 18-and-up shows, the local scene was left without a music venue that both served alcohol to those over 21 and also admitted those who were under 21.

Now there are two — the Hindquarters and Porter's Pub.

Joe Ellis, owner of the Hindquarters, recalls the September 5, first-ever punk rock show he had at his steakand-seafood restaurant on Miramar Road. Three hundred people showed up.

"We had no problems whatsoever.... The police showed up, looked around, and left."

Tim Mays of the Casbah and Harlan Schiffman of Fineline Presents are

presenting three different shows at UCSD's Porter Pub this year. Porter's Pub welcomes all ages. There is an adjacent beer and wine bar for those 21, but you cannot see the band from there.

In April, Schiffman drew 580 fans to see Pinback.

Mays presents Q and Not U, Ted Leo and the Pharmacists, Erase Errata, the Lashes, and El Guapo at 6 p.m. November 2 at Porter's Pub. Scarlet Symphony, Dirty Sweet, and the Millionaires appear at 8 p.m. November 5. For ticket price information for shows at Porter's Pub, call the UCSD box office at 858-534-4559.

— Ken Leighton

I saw the 5.6.7.8s' singer/guitarist Ronnie Yoshiko Fujiyama sitting on the ground and smoking a cigarette while eating Japanese crackers and working on her set list a couple of Wednesdays ago. A fan asked her to sign an album and mentioned that she and her boyfriend couldn't get tickets to the show; Fujiyama came later



FUJIYAMA EATS, SMOKES, AND SNEAKS IN FANS

and took them in. The bouncer told me that the show had sold out two days earlier. I tried to weasel my way in, but I wasn't successful.

A bouncer that I met at Winstons showed up. He also worked at the Casbah. I had interviewed him about what people do on Saturday night. He said, "Yeah, I saw that.... I even got a date out of it."

He tried to get me into the show but was also unsuccessful.

I asked him if he was working at Winstons the night the baby was found locked in the car trunk. He said, "Oh man, let's not go there." He then continued, unable to stop. "Three or four cops showed up. When I saw the trunk open and a hand pop up, I figured her friend was drunk and just passed out. I didn't know it was a kid. And, the thing I can't figure out: it was karaoke that night! I mean, if it was a band like tonight this band is from Japan. You may never have a chance to see them again. But to put a child at risk for karaoke?"

— Josh Board

Poet Nazareth

Simmons, 33, works as a youth activities coordinator in East San Diego for the Metropolitan Area Advisory Committee, a nonprofit group that helps with lowincome housing. He also fronts local hip-hop band Los Able Minded Poets.

Simmons says, "Kids are led by MTV and what they hear on radio. That's all they get. Last week I was playing De La Soul [a hip-hop artist] for them, and one of the kids was, like, 'What is that?' I said, 'So if it's not about bling-bling, you don't care about it?' They are all about the music videos they see on MTV. They wear big fake diamond earrings. These kids live in low-income housing,

but they all have hundreddollar sneakers, and they all dress better than I do."

Los Able Minded Poets includes three poets and three band members, and they are occasionally joined by a sax player. He says it's not easy



SIMMONS (CENTER LEFT) – SHEPHERDING WITHOUT THE BLING

being a conscious rapper in SD. "San Diego is such a conservative environment. If you're not playing in the Gaslamp or in the beach scene, people don't come out and hear you.... We've played for MEChA, the Raza Rights Coalition, the Women's Center at USD, and at middle school programs [designed] to steer kids away from violence."

Simmons says his band only gets paid about 20 percent of the time. "If we did this to get paid, we would have quit four years ago."







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WOLFMAN HOWLS AGAIN ON KCEO AM 1000

www.obunderground.com; Los Able Minded Poets perform October 7 at Winstons in Ocean Beach with Superunloader and Not Since Reagan.

— Ken Leighton

KCEO 1000 AM in North County is now airing Wolfman Jack shows that originally aired between 1975–85. Wolfman Jack (born Robert Smith) was a well-known DJ who died nine years ago.

"He was great even before he did *American Graffiti*," husband's radio shows to make it back on the air.

says Bob Wilson, a 35-year

veteran of the record and

radio industry who has

syndicated the Wolfman

shows along with KCEO

farm is Wolfman Jack's and

his wife "Wolf Woman" Lou

Lamb Smith's home. She still

lives there. Wilson says Smith

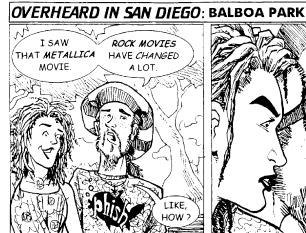
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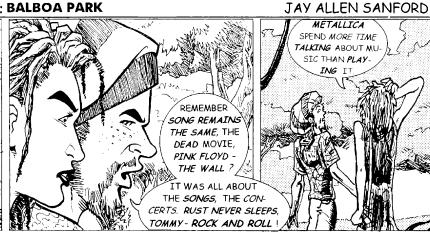
"The tapes were in storage at the hog farm in North Carolina," says Wilson. The

owner Art Ästor.

"The tapes were starting to deteriorate. So they had to be chemically bathed, then baked, and then be immediately recorded simultaneously to CD, hard disc, and DVD. After that the tapes were no good."

Wilson said he is syndicating two different series: a 1970's and '80s classic rock set and a 1960s oldies series. Wolfman Jack lives on at 9 to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday





on KCEO AM 1000.

— Ken Leighton

Burt Bacharach, 76, is collaborating with NWA (Niggaz With Attitude) rapper Dr. Dre for a new Bacharach album due early next year. Dre has supplied beat tracks to three songs.

Bacharach told the *Denver Post*, "He gave me the loops, and when I decided to do this album for Sony England, it seemed a natural fit."
Bacharach's last new album of self-penned originals was *Futures* in 1977, and he collaborated with Elvis Costello in 1998 for their *Painted from Memory* record.

Bacharach kept a house near Del Mar throughout the 1970s while married to Angie Dickinson (*Police Woman*).

Bacharach sold his Del Mar house around 1980 when he divorced Dickinson (whom he had met on a blind date arranged for him by his mother). According to his Del Mar Thoroughbred Club owner profile (www. DelMarRacing.com), he still maintains a home in Santa Monica and frequently races steeds at the Del Mar track. Bacharach's first stakes winner was a horse named Advance Guard, who won the 1971 San Diego Handicap at Del Mar. Another stakes winner Bacharach owned was Crumbs, who won the 1975 El Cajon Stakes at Del Mar.

Dr. Dre is recording what he claims will be his last solo album. *Detox* is due out before the end of the year. He's also working on tracks for ex-NWA Ice Cube's upcoming solo record.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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Earth, Wind and Fire (all 14 of them) will be paid around \$28,000 to perform tonight at Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park in Alpine. That doesn't include the cost of items appearing on the band's backstage rider, with requirements for the band's dressing room.

According to Empire Entertainment production manager Jim Corrieri, "There's a bottle of wine in their rider that's a 'thousand pointer,' which means it's one of the highest rated, most expensive wines in the world.... It can cost up to \$1000 a bottle."

— Jay Allen Sanford

Cattle Decapitation

extols vegetarianism on the band's newest album, *Humanure* with the song "Lips and Assholes."

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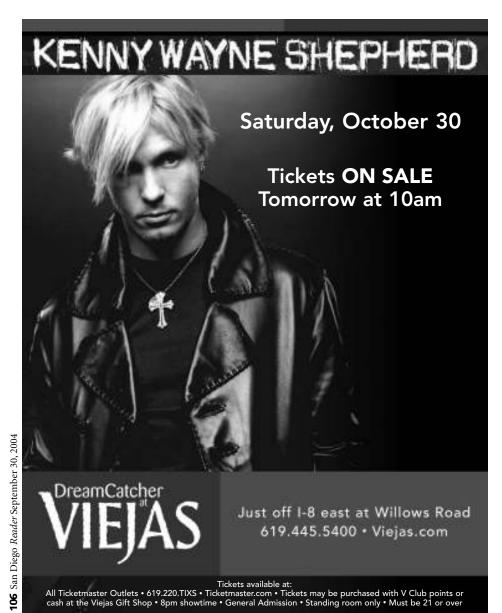
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Led without a fight straight to the grave.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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"Why am I here and why am I doing this?"

eople ask if the name of our band is Cajunesque," says bassist/singer Valerie Burns of Garmonbozia, "and the response they get from me is something between stoicism and amused sarcasm."

"It comes from the *Twin Peaks* universe," explains guitarist Johnny "Way" Greenman. "It means 'pain and sorrow."

means 'pain and sorrow."

"It's not a real word as far as we know; it's not in the Oxford English Dictionary," Burns says. "It also means 'maze.' To find your way through it. That's connection the best way to explain the kind of music we do."

| MICHAEL HEMMINGSON | Show. I have connection forget the left and we have a supplier and we

Percussionist Paul Doyle shrugs. "Don't ask me, I replaced their previous drummer. I inherited the name."

Burns and Greenman met at a super chain bookstore where they were both working as retail managers and struggling to publish their poetry and short stories. "We were musicians to the core," says Greenman, "and starting a new band seemed like a grand idea."

Straight out of Poway, Garmonbozia churns out dark, melodic originals and covers in the heavy metal and goth vein. Most likely you'll find them playing BDSM parties and after-hour gatherings at underground clubs in North County and Los Angeles.

"While we take art seriously, sometimes you have to keep in mind it is tongue-incheek," Burns says. "There are far too many people in this scene who really think they are vampires or post-human. It's just leather and make-up — costumes! C'mon, it's theater."

TRICKIEST MUSICAL PROBLEM?

Greenman "Keeping the tubes in my amp from frying. Happens all the time. I'm not sure if it's because this rig is old or I'm just hard on it. I'm always after the perfect tone of feedback. And getting feedback to do exactly

what you want is never easy." **Burns** "Connecting with the audience. I have to connect with someone — if it's one person or every person at the

show. I have to be playing to someone while I am playing for myself. If there's no connection, I get lost on stage and sometimes forget the lyrics. So I ask myself: 'Why am I here and why am I doing this?'"

Doyle "Showing up on time. I was born to procrastinate."

INSTRUMENTS/EQUIPMENT USED?

Doyle Roland electronic drums and an Octopad driver hooked to sound modules, plus two Carvin keyboard speakers

Greenman Gibson SG, Gibson Les Paul, Roland MIDI-bass pedals, '70s Ampeg stack with spinning speakers

Burns Unmarked "scroll" bass, Danelectro bass, assorted effects pedals, Ampeg B-100 amp

TOP FIVE PERSONAL PLAYLIST?

Burns Charles Bukowski, Poems and Insults; anything by Björk; the Crystal Method, Legion of Boom; Love and Rockets, Kundalini Express; Little Fyodor, Dance of the Salted Slug Greenman The Best of Johnny Cash; Duran Duran's Greatest Hits; the Police's Greatest Hits; The Best of Jimi Hendrix; and the



Johnny "Way" Greenman, Valerie Burns, Paul Doyle

soundtrack of *To Live and Die in L.A.* **Doyle** D.J. Scribble, D.J. Keoki, D.J. Dan, Cusco, and *Classic Sinatra*.

STRANGEST THING TO HAPPEN AT A SHOW?

Burns "They're all strange. But I gained me a stalker at one. Somehow he found out where I worked and where I lived. I had to get a restraining order. I think he moved to another state."

Greenman "One time, in L.A., this guy got up close to my amp. He kept staring at it. I have these spinning speakers, so I guess he

was enchanted. Then he stuck his head against the amp. I was afraid he'd blow his ear drum and sue me."

Doyle "The one time I showed up early, before anyone else. Everyone was shocked."

BIGGEST BAND CONFLICT?

Burns "The philosophy between art for money and art for the sake of art. It seems pretentious but I feel it's important. Ask, 'Why?' Then fight over the answer."

Greenman "Whose turn is it to buy the beer."

Doyle "I don't believe in conflict."■





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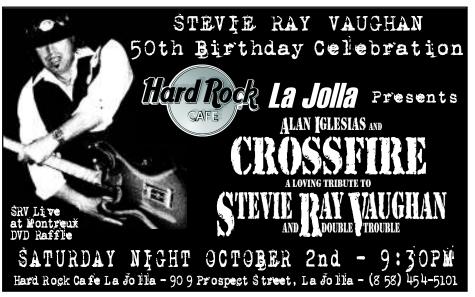
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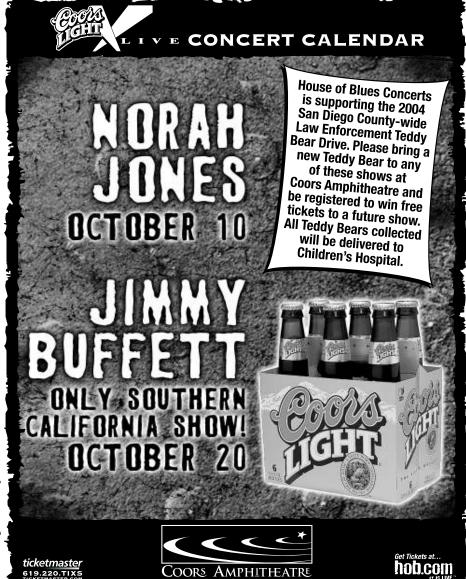
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FRIDAY

Tower of Power: 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.

The Drew Emmitt Band: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, October 1, 9 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 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.

SATURDAY

The Zombies: 4th & B, Saturday, October 2, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Yerba Buena: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, October 2, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

MONDAY

Deicide and **Goatwhore:** 4th & B, Monday, October 4, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

TUESDAY

The Tragically Hip [148]: 4th & B, Tuesday, October 5, 7:30 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Sapleton, Cocoa Tea, and Vegitation: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, October 5, 9 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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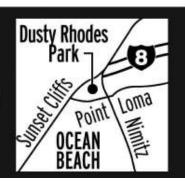






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OCTOBER

Chris Botti [689]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, October 7, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

The Incredible String Band and the **Espers:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, October 7, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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

Lloyd Banks: 4th & B, Friday, October 8, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Mouse on Mars, Ratatat, and Junior Boys: The Casbah, Friday, October 8, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or

Eric Andersen: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, October 8, 7:30 p.m.,

4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Eek-A-Mouse [734]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, October 9, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach, 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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 [260]: 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, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Pat Benatar [459] and Neil **Giraldo:** 4th & B, Monday, October 11, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

De La Soul [605]: Belly Up Tayern,

South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140

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 97's: 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, 7:30 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

Johnny Winter: Belly Up Tavern, rednesday, October 13, 8 p.m., 143 buth 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, on Beach. 858-488-1780 or

Skinny Puppy: 4th & B, Thursday, October 14, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Mason Jennings: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, October 14, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Steve Poltz [815]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Friday, October 15, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

The Young Dubliners [469]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, October 15, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue. Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140. Angie Stone and Anthony

Hamilton: 4th & B, Friday, October 15, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497. Brian Joseph and Joe Lewis:

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Los Lonely Boys: 4th & B, Saturday, October 16, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Nancy Sinatra [431]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, October 16, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Jimmy Thackery: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, October 16, 9:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

Peter Case [830]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, October 16, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Martin Sexton [848] and the Pushstars: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, October 17, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Breaking Benjamin: 4th & B, Sunday, October 17, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown, 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Ween: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Sunday, October 17, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Jimmy Buffett [477]: Coors Amphitheatre, Wednesday, October 20, 8 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Edwin McCain and Maia Sharp: 4th & B, Friday, October 22, 9 p.n 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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Megadeth [483]: 4th & B, Tuesday, October 26, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Billy Cobham: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Tuesday, October 26, 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

Alice Cooper [529]: Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Wednesday, October 27, 8 p.m., 5000 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

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Steel Pulse [730]: 4th & B, Thursday, October 28, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Misfits [497]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, October 29, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Helmet and Totimoshi: The Casbah, Friday, October 29, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

The Roots [267]: 4th & B, Saturday. October 30, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Five for Fighting [225]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, October 30, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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Terri Hendrix and **Lloyd Maines:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, October 30, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

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Glen Campbell [767]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, November 4, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

Bela Fleck & the Flecktones [674]: Spreckels Theatre, Friday, November 5, 8 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

Mindy Smith: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, November 6, 8:30 p.m.,



BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Few artists have earned the right to a reunion tour more than **Colin Blunstone** and **Rod Argent**, who are performing again as the **Zombies**.

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Argent wrote songs that were almost baroque in their complexity. The vocal melodies shifted keys mid-song, the jazzy guitar chords were unusual for rock, and the piano and organ parts were like something out of Liszt. But, in some ways, it was really vocalist Blunstone who made the Zombies stand out. At a time when the Stones were swaggering all over the world, Blunstone sang with the delicacy of a choirboy, delivering lyrics that were full of romantic paranoia and vulnerability. Take the

opening lines of "Tell Her No," from 1965: "And if she should tell you, 'Come closer' / And if she tempts you with her charms / Tell her no [repeats 'no' 19 more times] / Don't hurt me now, for her love belongs to me." Is that a case study in poor self-esteem or what? And how about that grammar? Basi-

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cally, he sounded as if Morrissey could have

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Le Tigre [164], Lesbians of Ecstasy, and Willpower: SOMA, Monday, November 15, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

Los Lobos [404]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, November 18, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or

Chaka Khan: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday,

November 18, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

The Cramps [175] and the Dead Billys: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, November 19, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Avril Lavigne [259]: Cox Arena, Saturday, November 20, 7:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Green Day [265]: Cox Arena, Sunday, November 21, 6:30 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

B.B. King [935]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Sunday, November 21, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

Blonde Redhead [253] and the **Liars:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Monday, November 22, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

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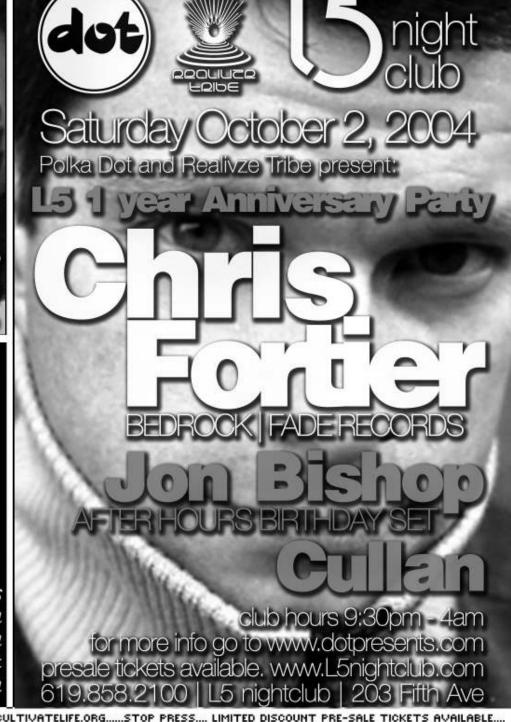
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Jack Pollack: Elario's Bistro & Sky

Rising Star: Di-mond Jim's

Peter Robberecht/Pianoman [622]: Dakota Grill and Spirits

Superfunk Fantasy: Jimmy Love's

Wilson & Sills: Martini's Bar & Grill The Sacha Boutros Quartet:

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EXTENSION 4005

The Archtones: Croce's Jazz Bar

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The

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Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado

John Cain [703]: Hotel del

The Jorge Camberos Quintet:

Sammy Canonizado: Cafe LaMaze Sandy Chappel: Cafe LaMaze

Nick Colionne: Humphrey's Jo Dark: The German-American

The David Patrone Quartet [647]: Croce's Jazz Bar, Redfields Lounge & Bistro, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

Deeiha Marie: Caffe Calabria

Donnie Finnell & Co. East: Bistro

Larry Fogel: Moray's Lounge Dora Hall: Caesar's Cafe

The High Society Jazz Band: Tio Daniel Jackson: Hotel del

Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del

Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado Barry Levich: La Valencia Hotel

Masterpiece: Jimmy Love's Sean McVicker: Elario's Bistro &

Jerry Melnick: The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn

The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar

Mystique: Jimmy Love's **Steve O'Conner & Friends:** Rama Thai Restaurant

OHM: Dizzv's

Orquesta 8.8: Sevilla

Sue Palmer [641]: Caffe Calabria Ben Powell: Tomiko Bar & Grill

Primo: Croce's Top Hat Bar and

Rico Tumbao: Sevilla

Rick Ross: La Valencia Hotel.

Sambajazz: Scalini Restaurant, The

The San Diego Concert Jazz

Dave Scott: Croce's Jazz Bar

Sharon Shufelt: Caffe Calabria

Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time: Jimmy Love's, Coyote Bar and

The Upstairs Jazz Club:

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad) The Jaime Valle Jazz Quartet:

Coronado Island Marriott

The Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet: Tutto Mare

Ben Wanicar: Rama Thai Restaurant

Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

The Zanna Jazz Trio: The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

Buck-O-Nine [739]: Belly Up

Capleton: 'Canes

Cocoa Tea: 'Canes

Ras D.: Squid Joe's

Kyng Arthur: Martini Ranch

The Jerry McCann Band: Coyote Bar and Grill

NZ Rough: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

Skanic [743]: Surf N'Saddle

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Coyote Moon: Mulvaney's

George James: Don's Cocktail Lounge

Nitro Express [762]: Renegade Inn

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

Ashley: Belly Up Tavern

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Blue 44: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Steve Brewer: Blarney Stone Pub, McP's Irish Pub and Grill

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El Vez [824]: Belly Up Tavern

Kyler England: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

Eleonor England: Lestat's Coffeehouse

John Foltz: Miracles Cafe

Free Martin: Coyote Bar and Grill Hugh Gaskins [840]: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

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Ron & Andy: McP's Irish Pub and

Ron's Garage: Dick's Last Resort, Hotel del Coronado

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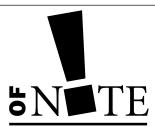
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BY DAVE GOOD

The fire has long since burned out of rock and roll, says my friend. He's a sentimental type...part music historian, part guitarist. He owns enough vinyl to start up a vintage record store. Sometimes fueled by Jack Daniel's and armed with a couple of books by Lester Bangs (the late critic from El Cajon), my friend has decided that the best rock of all time was made during the '60s and part of the '70s. He was born in the '80s. He gives me a mournful look when I tell him I was around for the '60s, but I missed the point — I was too young. And so he's been tutoring me as to rock's true origins...in his opinion. New York, for instance, is ground zero, and the Velvet Underground's White Light/White Heat is where rock begins and ends. Throw in Link Wray, some Elvis, Little Richard, and the Stones' first few albums, and I could almost agree.

The **Deftones** are one of a handful of bands that did a fair job of reinventing rock during the otherwise barren '90s. There is a Sacramento headbanger scene, and the Deftones emerged from it. They handcrafted the brutish sound of rancor gone ballistic, leavened by a fine sense of musicianship and later enhanced by the techno-scratching of the club DJ. The Deftones were among the first to

ratchet singing up to a level near a constant scream. And sometimes, they rapped a little. It's what the industry now calls neo-hardcore, and it's fine stuff, if you're in that sort of mood.

Later bands shed the Deftones' dynamic balance; current neo-hardcore is a blot of rude whiners. Hardcore's minute in the spotlight may have come and gone, but it was a good loud minute, and it's worth hearing again. My friend will argue that '90s

ar a constant rapped a litnow calls hardcore is pure artifice, and he's right. But then again it was Bangs who pointed out that '80s teens had no culture they could call

(To hear a sample of the **Deftones**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4252.)

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BLUES / SOUL

Blue Rockit [955]: Tio Leo's Lounge

The Blues Pharaohs: Coyote Bar

The Blues in School Band:

Tommy Budd & Windy City [957]: Island Sports & Spirits

The Charles Burton Band: The Kraken

The Charles Burton Blues Band [931]: Chateau Orleans

Coupe de Ville: KC's Cocktails

Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters [932]: Shooters Bar and Grill, Chateau Orleans

Jeffrey Halford: Tio Leo's Lounge

Zac Harmon & the Mid-South Blues Review: Humphrey's

Ben Hernandez: Dizzv's

The Int'l Silver Strings Submarine
Band: The Gordon Biersch Brewery

Nathan James: Dizzy's

Johnny "B" Blues: Coyote Bar and Grill **Lafayette & the Leasebreakers** [930]: Second Wind (San Carlos)

Nite Life [934]: Pal Joey's

The Nude Blues: Bahia Belle Cruise

The Rockin' Blues Hounds: Fannie's

Runnin' Blue: The Calypso Cafe
The Soul Revue: Iimmy Love's

Todd Stedman & the Fat Tones: Tio Leo's Lounge

Triple Shot: The Calypso Cafe

Billy Watson: Axis Martini Bar & Restaurant, The Gordon Biersch

EXTENSION 4010

EVERYTHING ELSE

Shirley Allen: Red Fox Steakhouse

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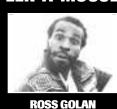
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Bad: Second and fourth Wednesday of the month, '80s, rock, and electro. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; no cover. Rebar, 3404 30th Avenue, North Park. 619-291-3730.

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.

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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.

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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, hiphop, 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.

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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

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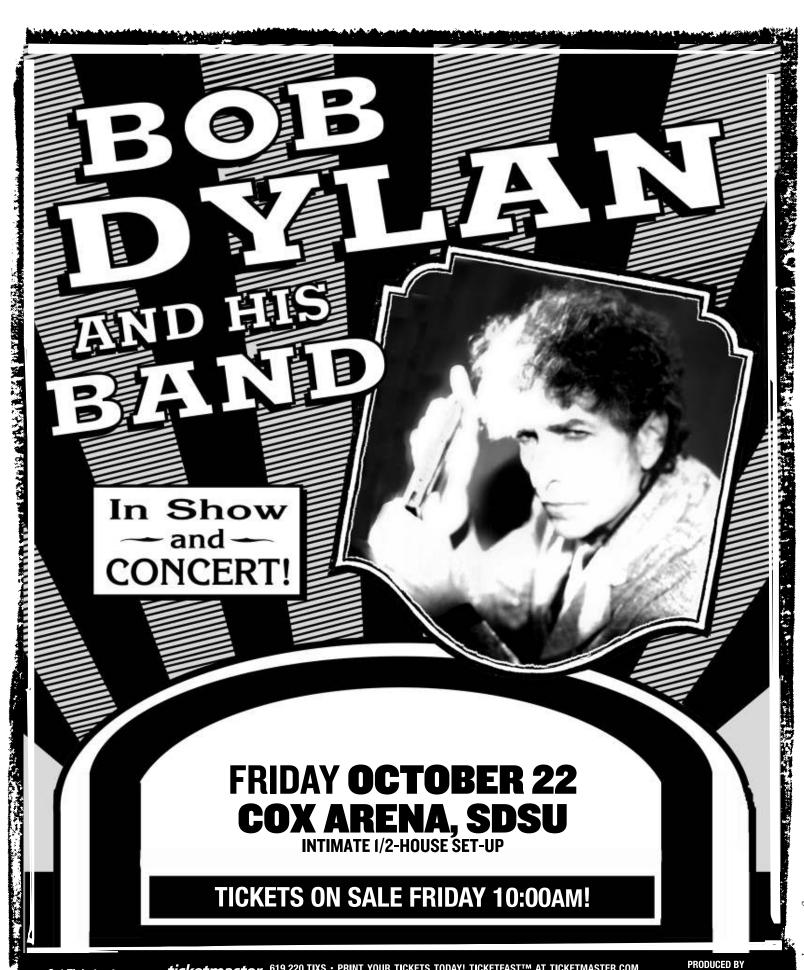
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Album Name: Half Way There (2004)

Artist: Kitt Parry
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Songs: 1) Haven't I Loved You? 2) Runaway Wheel 3) You'd Sure Look Good 4) Stop Yourself 5) Drink of Water 6) Genie 7) One Moment at a Time 8) I Love an Outlaw 9) Trouble with Paradise 10) Feline Fever 11) Moon over Montana 12) All-Time High 13) Heart's Got a Mind 14) Leucadia Blues 15) Graffiti Etched in Stone 16) Dreamin'

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Band Members: Kitt Parry (vocals, guitar, keyboards, percussion), Andy Machin (guitar, bass, background vocals), Leland Skylar (bass), Steve White (guitar, dobro, harmonica), Tommy Thompson (saxophone), Tony Castriotta (guitar), Danny Jacobs (guitar), Ron Komie (guitar), Jon Gilutin (keyboards), Jaydee Mannis (steel pedal), Scott Breadman (percussion), Joseph DiBlasi (guitar), Willie Ornelas (percussion), Kenny Parks (drums), Steve Tomaino (drums), Tommy Funderburke (background vocals), Herb Pederson (background vocals), Karen Blake (background vocals), Theresa James (background vocals). Steve Pentaco (harmonica)

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The album starts off with the simple ballad "Haven't I Loved You?" showcasing Parry's voice well as the song reflects on a romantic déjà vu. Next comes "You'd Sure Look Good." Her lyrics in the chorus are a little corny ("These earrings and this necklace may be the height of fashion / but you could be my main accessory to a crime of passion"); however, Parry's voice is sweet, holstered by a biting edge on occasion. Parry's talent lies in folk and blues. Tracks like "Trouble with Paradise" and "Heart's Got a Mind" are highlights. In the up-tempo tune "Stop Yourself," Parry sings, "You ain't no exception / Standin' in harm's way / If the game is full of deception / You don't

After this comes a few decent songs – however, nothing that rivals the first half of the album



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Parry writes on her website, "In Vietnam the soldiers lived by the idea that 'a casual attitude results in casualties.'" Many of the songs have a similar heavy-duty morality that makes them seem overly

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saxophone, and vocals. Friday through Wednesday, *Larry Fogel*, singer pianist.

Pacific Beach Bar & Grill, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Call club for information

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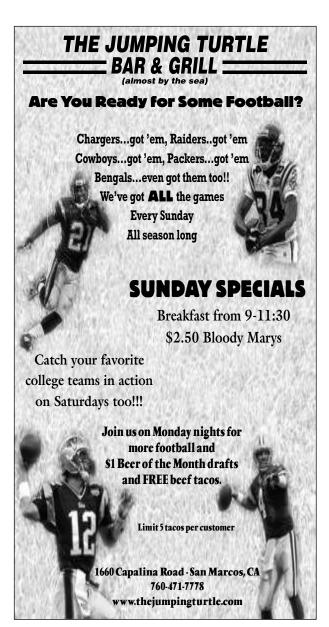
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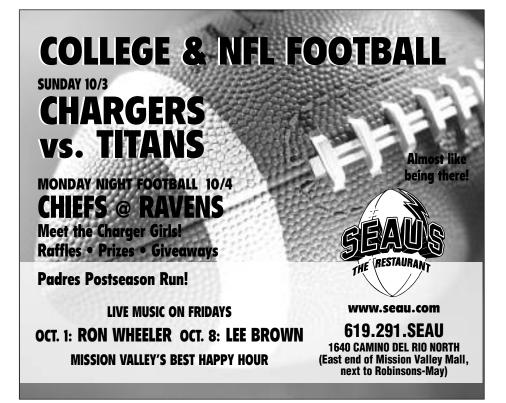
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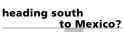
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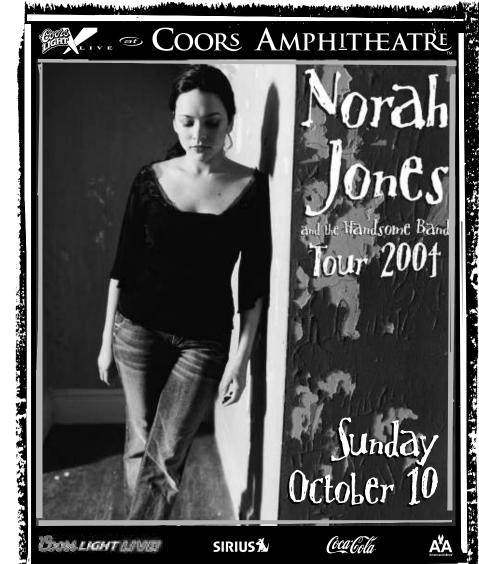
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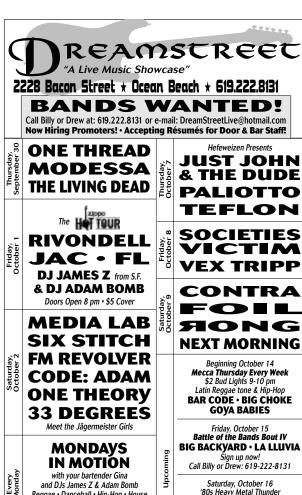
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Dublin Square, 554 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-239-5818. Live Irish music.

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The Westgate Hotel, 1055 Second Avenue, downtown. 619-238-1818. The Plaza bar: Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m., *Fran Loskota*, piano and vocals. Sunday and Monday, *Julio de la Huerta*, guitar and vocals.



NightSpotting

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MUSIC ➤ jazz, lounge music

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ Mother's Day,

NFL games (Sunday and Monday

night), karaoke Thursday and

Sunday nights

CLIENTELE ➤ all ages in the restaurant, over 21 in the lounge; average age, late 30s; 50 percent Caucasian, 25 percent Latino, 15 percent Asian, 10 percent African-American; 75 percent couples

COVER ➤ none

HOURS ➤ Monday to Thursday 11:00 a.m. to midnight; Friday and Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.; Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

DRINKS ➤ on tap includes Michelob and Miller Lite; bottles of Budweiser, Bud Light, MGD, Coors Light, O'Doul's, all \$2.95; Heineken and Corona bottles \$3.75; happy hour is 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, free appetizers

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ACCESS ➤ one mile from the 805; large parking lot

DRESS ➤ no dress code; customers in restaurant were dressed up a bit — slacks and shirts with collars; the lounge was casual

DANCE FLOOR ➤ an area about 15' by 20' in front of the band FIRE EXITS ➤ three — the main entrance in the lounge, a side

entrance from the dining room, and an exit from the kitchen (two fire exit signs near one door in dining room); fire extinguisher near bar **BATHROOMS** > men's had one

Norman Rockwell painting, and a towel dispenser so low I had to bend down to rip towel off; women's had paintings, a vase of flowers, and one toilet; both were large, clean, and had wooden sinks

CAPACITY > 225 in restaurant; 70 in lounge (you can see the band from dining room)

SPECIAL AREAS ➤ banquet room for private parties (holds 80)

urinal and one toilet (no walls, but

there's a lock on the door), a

FURNISHINGS ➤ three TVs in the lounge (one big screen), 15 seats at bar, eight tables, an old-fashioned popcorn machine; dining room has large framed photos of Elvis and James Dean and candles on each table

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ 110 when Sandy Chatell played, with a guest violinist; 125 last week at the Cow Shed

QUOTABLE > "An ad for this place said some old Hollywood actors ate here. Do you think we'll see any?" "No, since the guys mentioned in the ad are all dead."

I talked to the owners' son when I was here. He mentioned that Cary Grant, Errol Flynn, Gary Cooper, Bing Crosby, and Clark Gable had all eaten here. I asked him why they were here in National City, and he said, "This place has been here since 1941. And they liked to come here on their way to Tijuana. There were gambling rooms in the back and upstairs."

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The Butcher Shop, 556 Broadway, Chula Vista. 619-420-9440. Thursday through Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Ray Correa*, standards/Latin.

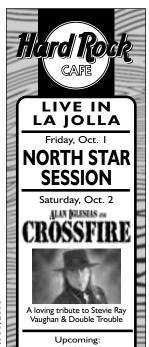
Cafe LaMaze, 1441 Highland Avenue, National City. 619-474-3222. Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. to midnight, Sandy Chappel and Sammy Canonizado, jazz/blues. **Club Caribe,** 5080 Bonita Road, Bonita. Call club for information.

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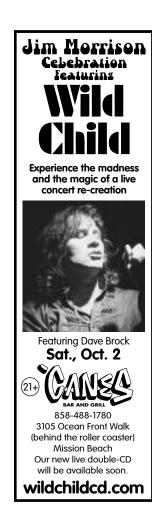
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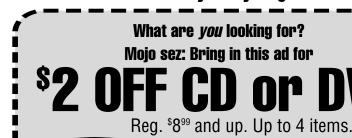
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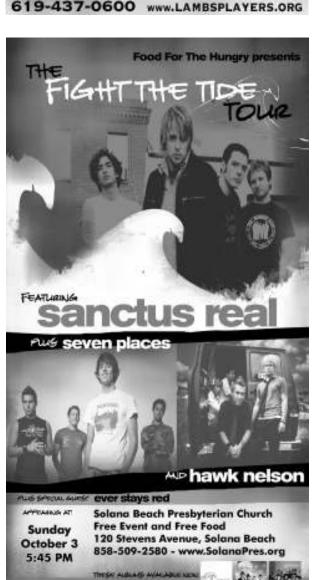
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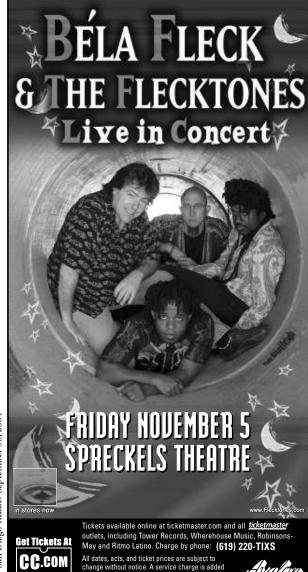
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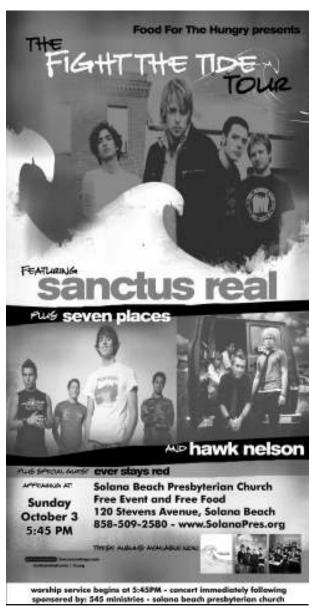
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ood morning. Welcome to the Union Bank of California, where we invest in you. My name is Amy. How may I direct your call?'

'Uh, it's about my overdraft. Guess I need to speak to the supervisor..

Oh, man. That was this morning. Then, this afternoon, miracle! A blessed check came in. I rushed it downtown to the bank. "Don't usually see you this time of day," said Odette, the teller. She looked up my account. "Oh. Right. I see why. Heh-heh.'

Now, back out on the sunny street, I get flooded with this good feeling. Yeah, I know it'll only last till the next bill hits. So let's not hesitate. I hop the trolley to the Seaport Village stop, walk alongside the wicked-smelling Kansas City Barbecue, where its smoke comes pouring out. Hard to pass by, but I'm heading for a little place I've hankered after a zillion times from ye olde trolley. Aha. Thar she blows. The Brickyard. Coffee and tea joint.

"So you've eaten here and lived to tell the tale?" I ask these two ladies sitting outside.

"Oh yes," says one of the women. "We're always here. We live around the corner. Their sandwiches, you know, panini, they're crisp, filling. Robert, the man who runs it, he's ver-ry good. Everybody loves Robert."

The ladies sit at a table beside this low, roundtop wall. Nice elbow-leaning level. The faux marble tables and green plastic chairs dot the wide, long, brick-paved courtyard, along with lots of potted plants, like bougainvillea. Inside, the old annex is all bright with brick walls and photos and paintings and a rack of Vanity Fairs. Folks read their

New York Times and sip their coffee. Good executive material.

I come to the wavy zinc counter. It's loaded with homebaked cookies and cakes. Cindy stands patiently while I try to absorb the eats options. Bowl of "Texas chili," a blackboard says, "\$6.00." Grilled-cheese-and-

tomato sandwich with a cup of chili is \$6.25, spinach-and-mushroom quiche costs \$6.25 with a small Caesar salad. Half of any of the sandwiches, like turkey, ham, beef, or tuna, with a cup of soup or Caesar salad goes for \$5.95.

But I'm looking at the panini. They have Panini California, with turkey, avocado, iack, and tomato. Or Panini Rustica, also turkey and jack but with marinated mushrooms and roasted peppers too. Sounds interesting, but when the chips are down, I'm an avocado man. I order the California, despite, ouch, the price, \$7.50. Plus a small coffee (\$1.25).

Yet, it's absolutely worth it. I sit down at a table outside. There is something magic about this place. I mean, we're talking major seduction here.

Then I figure it out.

It's the trees. Young poplars. Eleven of them rise 20, 30 feet up in a row, leaves dancing and

rustling in the breeze, spring-green against the blue sky. You sit in the dappled light as if you're in a French painting. When the El Cajon trolley pulls up, flitting between the trunks and leaves, its red sides look positively glamorous, with green palms in the background and, behind them, the awesome Hyatt hotel twins, soaring up like castles. Then, once the trolley has passed, everything reverts to this...quiet. You hear conversations clear down at the other end of the patio.

Guy named Brett's working the cell phone as he munches his rustic panini. Turns out he's in real estate. Lives in the brand-new tower across from us. Park Place. He has to be all of 30.

Jinny and her cocker spaniel Charlie arrive at the same time as my California panini. "It's very dogfriendly here," she says. "You ought to see it on Saturday mornings. All the dogs know each other."

Mornings are the thing, she says. All the empty nesters, young professionals, now even some moms and babies. They slurp things like hot oatmeal with raisins, craisins, bananas, and milk (\$4.75) or the lo-carb breakfast bake, with eggs, sweet Italian sausage, mushrooms, cheddar, and onion (\$3.50).

Meanwhile, my panini crunches, oozes, squelches. Truth is, anything would taste good here. Why? You know any minute they're going to toss you

back out to the good ol' scuzz of Broadway.

Turns out Jinny has lived downtown for 11 years. Six without a car. "You don't need it!" she says. "Everything is so close, and you've got the trolley right here." Plus, within the past year her condo value has, like, tripled from around \$200K to \$600K. "That's what's happening. It's crazy. I couldn't afford to buy now.

Robert comes out, starts folding up the green umbrellas. He closes at three. Ten minutes. Shucks. But he has his reasons. "I get up at 1:30 every morning. I'm here by 2:00. Start baking, setting up for the day. Hour or so from now, I'm ready to collapse.'

KC Barbecue lets out a blob of smoke that almost obliterates both Hyatts.

"So why don't I want to leave?" I ask him. "Could it be I know I'm going to be OD again by tomorrow?"

"Drugs?"

"Worse. Bank."

Robert leans against a pair of huge pistons welded to the wall. Came from a tuna boat's engine. "Well, see behind that metal door? We think it may have been a munitions storage room back in industrial days. The concrete's two feet thick. Could always hide you in there.'

"I'll let you know," I say. ■

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y friend the lawyer just got back from a year-and-a-half stint in his firm's New York City office. As we sipped a bottle of celebratory Champagne, he surprised me by saying, "There are almost no good wine

shops in New York. You have to leave the city. A lot of people there drink either beer or hard liquor." (Restaurants, of course, may be another matter.)

When I mentioned this to Pam Schwartz, manager and sommelier at the Pamplemousse Grill, she greeted the report as old

news. She knew New York, even if she and her husband had lived upstate and worked at a restaurant in Connecticut. Happily, the paucity of good vino didn't extend that far north. "The owner opened essentially because he loved wine and wanted to have an outlet for wine. A lot of people would come up from the city; they had their second homes in the area. I just dove into the list."

The Connecticut restaurant closed five days before September 11, 2001. The jobs the couple had lined up fell through and they decided to return to San Diego, hubby's hometown. Schwartz, Culinary Institute of America—trained and a veteran of both the kitchen and the manager's station, spent a year working as a server at Pamplemousse, then moved to an assistant manager position at Arterra. In March of 2003, Pample-

mousse owner Jeffrey Strauss offered her the manager's spot, and she returned. "I was supposed to work on staff training, be the floor manager, that sort of thing. But the sommelier left the week I was hired and Jeff said, 'Here, take

it.' My food and wine background was strong, but it came more from the kitchen — pairing wine and food as opposed to being on the floor, and eloquently describing to you this perfect bottle of wine that you should have with your dinner. It was feet in the fire pretty quickly." Now she reckons

(with a touch of exaggeration) that she spends 98 percent of her time on the wine list and 2 percent managing.

It's an easy notion to believe, even if it is exaggerated. The Pamplemousse list stood at roughly 900 bottles when she took over; now it's closer to 1400. "When I first started, I was like a kid in a candy store. I thought, 'Oh look, there's all these holes' — things I perceived a need for. 'And these new, small, fun wineries that are getting reviewed and we need to have.' Now I'm lifting all those boxes of wine and I'm thinking, 'Hey, maybe that wasn't such a good idea.' I'm learning to compliment people but still say no, which is hard. I taste great wines every week — I've got a line of 15 wine reps every Wednesday afternoon. But I can't have every single great wine out there on the list."

The perceived needs of a 900-bottle list? "It was very focused on California Cabernets. Big names. Our customers are well-read in *Wine Spectator* and very knowledgeable. They come in and look for the big names. But a lot of things were very expensive; there weren't a lot of good-value wines for people who can't afford to spend \$250 on a bottle of wine. We have this great Kistler vertical in Chardonnays. So many customers will look at it and go, 'Oh my gosh, I've never seen so many Kistlers in one spot! Can I have a Landmark Chardonnay instead?'" (1992 Kistler, Cuvee Catherine, \$310. 2000 Kistler, Les Noisetiers, \$120. 2002 Landmark, Overlook, \$44.)

Of course sometimes actually selling a wine may not be the whole point. It's possible that one day, despite optimal storage conditions, some of the older Kistler Chards will quietly fade away -California Chardonnay is not famed for its aging potential. Then again, maybe they won't. There's only one way to find out, and caveat emptor is certainly in effect. From the list: "Older expensive bottles are ordered at your own risk and will not be refunded or returned." Schwartz says that Strauss will keep the Kistlers in the cellar "to say, 'I do have these on the list, and if you would like to try them you are welcome to do so.' "The possibility of sipping the famous wine remains. Whether or not you buy, whether or not the wines are still worth it, the Kistler list still sparks interest.

Further, a 900-bottle list — and a 1400-bottle list even more so — has its own gravity. Its mass alone helps to pull customers in the door — sometimes from far away. Says Schwartz, "People come in and say, 'We've heard that you have a phenomenal wine list and we came in to check it out.' And we've recently had a lot of East Coasters saying, 'Our friend said you had so-and-so on the list and it's something you don't find on the East Coast very often.'" (Poor wine-parched New



Pam Schwartz

Yorkers.) "I had a customer in from New Jersey who asked if we could just copy the page listing our vertical of Turley for them to take back. 'Guess what restaurant I was at? Look what they have on their list!' "Small wonder. Though many of the Turleys are young, hailing from '99 or later, the collection is as broad as the winery's production: Estate, Grist Vineyard, Hayne Vineyard, Juvenile, Mead Ranch, Old Vines, Pesenti, Rattlesnake Ridge, Pringle Family Vineyard, Moore Earthquake, Dogtown Vineyard, and so on.

Verticals — multiple vintages of a single wine — exert their own attractive force, and again it isn't always about selling. Wines from some vintages are there to hold the place, "just so you can say that you have it. We'll buy one or two bottles at auction or from private collectors. When peo-

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ple come in and ask [for a vintage from a vertical, we want to make sure we have it for them. In California Cabernet we have a lot of the not so-great years, she grants, but then again, with the possible exception of '98, the '90s produced a remarkable string of good vintages in Cal Cab. Still, "Nobody drinks the 93 Diamond Creek anymore. I've got six bottles of it, and I'll probably have six bottles of it for the next five years. But that's okay." (With Bordeaux, however, "Our verticals aren't really verticals. We have the back years, but they're the better years.")

However compelling the list as predinner reading material, the goal remains to sell wine. Half-bottles, a list that Schwartz took from 4 to 43, "have taken off. More and more people are willing to buy it, and more and more wineries are willing to try it." Half-bottles are wonderful for restaurants — just right to split with a particular course, faster-aging than full bottles, and providers of instant resolution to the "I want halibut/you want rib eye" debate. And here in the West, it seems to be catching on. "I was talking to Bryan Page of Page Winery up in Napa and he was telling me that he was keeping almost all of his half-bottles in California because there's so much demand for them here. In other states, the 750s are selling out and they can't sell their half-bottles. That's great for me because I sell through that wine all the time. I have him and a few others in half-bottles only. I know the wines would get lost in a list of 750s, but I'm able to feature them on the half-bottle page." \blacksquare

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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NORTH COASTAL

101 Cafe 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. This is the oldest li'l eating establishment in Oceanside. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. The café is named after Route 101, the Pacific Highway, Old-timers remember when every one from truck drivers to movie stars would stop for a bite before heading on to San Diego and Tijuana. Try the ABC (avocado, bacon, and cheese) Omelet, the 101 Original Cheeseburger with its "secret sauce," chicken fried steaks with eggs and, of course, the Great Depression dish: biscuits with gravy and home fries. Open daily, three meals until midnight. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/01)

Bistro Soleil 641 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-9549. The fare here is French but not too "Frenchy," in the sunny Provençal style that seems closer to Italy than Paris, with more olive oil than butter, more tomatoes than truffles. Owned by Claude Barrare, a surfing fanatic transplanted from the Atlantic beach town of Biarritz, the bistro recreates the laid-back atmosphere of its cousins overseas. Naturally, the Gallic comfort food here is more freeform and California-fied than you'd find in southern France. Highlights of the sea-sonally changing menu include classic poached *foie gras*, an unconventional but tasty bouillabaise, and, when available, a luscious mushroom cream soup. Save room for the ethereal fruit desserts. Dinner, Mondays through Saturdays; reserve on summer weekends. Upper moderate. - N.W. (8/03)

Bubby's Gelato 937 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-436-3563. This

tiny storefront does only a few things (sandwiches, gelati, and sorbet), but does them exceedingly well. The "gourmet sandwiches" really do live up to their designation, with intriguing Mediterranean combinations (artichoke hearts, black olives, grilled eggplant, gorgonzola are among the choice of ingredients) on soft, round Italian bread. (Or you can just get a tuna melt if that's your flavor.) Gelati are about twice as rich as Häagen-Dazs, and feature an ever-changing array of bold flavors, e.g., vanilla rosewater and chocolate cinnamon. Open daily, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

D.B. Hackers Seafood Cafe And Grill 101 North Coast Highway 101 (at Encinitas Boulevard), Encinitas, 760-436-3162. Parked next to the train tracks, this cute little café shakes, rattles, and really *rocks*. They've been serving superb British-style fish and chips here since the mid-1970s. The fish is New Zealand hoke, a cod-like species with fine flavor, carefully fried in an airy, greaseless batter. (Sprinkle on some malt vinegar and sit back and think of England.) The "chips" are thin oval potato slices, a hybrid of French fries and potato chips. Classic New England clam chowder, fish tacos, seafood quesadillas, salads, pastas, and a handful of seafood platters are also worthy candidates. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (9/01)

Fidel's Carlsbad 3003 Carlsbad Boulevard (at Carlsbad Village Drive), Carlsbad, 760-729-0903. It's not upscale modern Mex - no cumin-infused, mango-corn salsa on Fidel's menu — but who gives a flyin' fajita when you can order just about any traditional SoCal-Mexican dish and know it's gonna be good? Whether you try the chicken-andrice soup with fresh cilantro and avo-cado chunks, fluffy *chile rellenos*, a crab

enchilada, carne asada with all the trimmings, or a lonely à la carte chicken bur rito, you're going to be a happy camper. Add a reliable margarita or a beer and you're set at this popular North County mainstay. Open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. -S.M. (12/03)

Firenze 162 South Rancho Santa Fe Road (at Manchester), West Village Center, Encinitas, 760-944-9000. This big, beautiful, gracious restaurant (located in the same mall as Harvest Ranch Market, just north of Rancho Santa Fe) offers both a handsome interior and a roman-tic fire-lit patio. The well-spaced tables are laden with huge portions of accom-plished, multiregional Italian cuisine and reasonably priced Italian and California wines (with bargain wine prices Mon-day nights). Vegetarians will rejoice in the two dozen meatless selections. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday, dinner-only on Sundays. High moderate. — N.W. (11/01)

Hill Street Coffee House 524 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, Really! Look for the sign: "Organic Restaurant and Espresso Bar" in front of a restored yellow-and-white Victorian house from O'side's past. All their meats, poultry, fish, and veggies are organic and the menu is full of healthy dishes: tofu/spinach breakfast scramble, frittata espinaca ("Greek eggs"), and pain perdu (for us peasants that's French toast) with fresh fruit and syrups. Some vegan items. After 11 a.m., try their Cajun chicken. Open daily, breakfast to dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Johnny Manana's 308 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-9999. Local teachers hang out at this green-, whiteand red-tiled place because it's such good value. Most dishes are either Mexican or

Costa Rican. There's a Caribbean chocolatey, black bean, paprika, curry-in-therice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted chicken is delicious. The Big Breakfast Burrito Special (eggs, onions, beans, cheese, and potatoes, wrapped in a large flour tortilla) is *muy popular*, but then so is J.M.'s Great All-American Cheeseburger. Open daily. Inexpensive. – E.B. (12/01)

Tomiko 87 Encinitas Boulevard (at Best Western, just west of I-5), Encinitas, 760-633-3587. In a lovely setting overlooking Moonlight Bay you can enjoy Japanese and Pacific Rim fusion cooking and sushi in a serene but lively dining room. When the sushi bar is free from the weekend rush, the quality can be amazing: stunningly fresh *uni*, world-beating silky toro. The sushi-master also keeps an eye on the restaurant's seafood purchases, so they meet exacting standards. Appetizers such as "salmon tower tartare" and "drunken black cod" are rewarding, as are the simple, excellent fusion-tinged seafood en-trées. Reserve for weekends, especially for sushi bar. Lunch weekdays only, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (3/02)

Tuscan Sun Italian Deli 1070 North Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-633-4546. A town abounding in Italian restaurants ought to have a great Italian deli, and it does. You'll find domestic and imported deli meats and cheeses, fresh-baked breads and focaccia, marinated veggies, and a wealth of gourmet products from Italy. The specialty is the "Caprese" (tomatoes-plus) sandwich on focaccia bread with a vari-ety of fillings, best served grilled and dressed with pesto. For breakfast, they carry *sfogliatelle*, light, moist, faintly lemony multilayered breakfast pastries. The eat-in/take-out menu includes



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NORTH INLAND

Abbey's Real Texas BBQ 6904 Miramar Road (at Commerce Street, behind Denny's), Miramar, 858-566-5235. Newer, smaller branch at 9353 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Ruffin Road), Kearny Mesa, 858-279-7427. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, turkey, and links that are repeatedly mopped with a marinade and cooked in a big cast-iron smoker (rather than grilled over a fire). Here they use mesquite to barbecue the poultry quickly and the brisket ve-r-ry slowly. In addition to the usual BBQ sides (potato salad, coleslaw, beans, etc.), they offer a Caesar salad. At the Miramar branch the room is large and unadorned but very clean. Wheelchair accessible. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily; continuous service for lunch and early dinner weekdays; normal dinner hours weekends. Inexpensive to low moderate. - E.W.

Ashoka The Great 9474 Black Mountain Road (off Miramar Road), Mira Mesa, 858-695-9749. Seek out this splendid Indian restaurant. The setting is lovely, the service excellent, and the food first-rate. Don't overlook the tandoori dishes. Numerous selections are available for vegetarians. An all-youcan-eat lunch buffet is served daily Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.W.

Athens Market Cafe 11640 Carmel Mountain Road (between Pacific Theatres and Sportmart in Carmel Mountain Plaza, close to Rancho Bernardo, off I-15), 858-675-2225. The same Greek recipes that you know and love at Athens Market downtown are even more carefully prepared here. All entrées with soup or salad. Excellent moussaka, baked chicken, lamb kebabs. Excellent value for tasty product. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.W.

La Tapatia 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You'll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stonewalled patio. The most celebrated dish is the "cheese crisp," a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and

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veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there's a saltsl and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

Mariscos El Titanic 503 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-735-5819. The ship hit an iceberg, but here a bracing chilled ceviche can lift all boats on a steamy afternoon. The menu offers both hot and cold seafood, including almost a page full of chilled arrays. Among them, a unique group of "Culiacan-style" cocktails are served in young hollowed-out coconuts, the soft spooned out along with the briny shellfish. (Fresh coconut water, agua de coco, is available as a drink.) The range of dishes is relatively ambitious with plenty of authentic entrée choices (not just stuffed tortillas), and the seafood is sweet and fresh from Baja waters. Best of all, the tall straw palapas shading the outdoor tables create their own mini climate, as breezy as some faraway beach. Tacos and burri-tos are bargain-priced, seafood cocktails and entrées are moderate. -N.W. (12/69)

The Wayside Cafe 507 South Main Avenue, Fallbrook, 760-723-9633. Locals love meeting and eating in this long low-porched building - partly because it all just feels small-town America. The place used to be Mahrs' Service Station. You can even sit in the old Lube Bay to eat. Count on generous servings, espe cially the mountain-piles of red-skinned home-fries as a side at breakfast. Open for breakfast and lunch six days a week; closed Mondays. Inexpensive. -E.B. (12/01)

GOLD COAST

Arterra Marriott Del Mar Hotel, 11966 El Camino Real (off Carmel Mountain Road), Torrey Pines/Del Mar, 858-369-6032 or 858-523-1700. Bradley Ogden and his minions — including Arterra's Carl Shroeder — do the perfect cuisine for executive-oriented hotels like this Marriott, which is situated in an inhumanly corporate neighborhood. The fare is fine, classy, but not excessively demanding of attention. Ingredients are seasonal and top-quality, creations are pleasing but not radical. It's a great place to take your boss to dinner. Breakfasts, though, are spectacular, e.g., the airy, bittersweet tangerine souffle pancakes may just be the ideal way to jump-start the morning. Open daily, three meals. Expensive. — N.W. (4/02)

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858-259-9063. Nino Barone, owner and chef, has got the Italian restaurant business finessed to near perfection. The taste of his gnocchi or his tortellini al gorgonzola is worth ditching your diet for. Outdoor dining offers daytime ocean viewing, while indoor guests enjoy softhued decor with linens and fresh flowers. The welcoming staff allow the cus-tomer space and linger-time while remaining available. Nino prepares everything in-house: the crusty Italian bread, the pastas and their companion sauces, the yeal, seafood, and chicken dishes, and the irresistible cannoli. The wine list is generous yet modestly priced and, surprise, it's purely Italian. This off-the-beaten-track Italian restaurant may be one of the most delectable secrets in North County and it won't put a crunch on your entertainment budget. Lunch is a real deal, with soup or salad and dessert included in the price. Open nightly for dinner; call for lunch schedule. Moderate. — S.M. (4/04)

Besta Wan Pizza House 148 Ab erdeen Drive (off the 101), Cardiff-bythe-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-pop ular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/01)

Pizza Port 135 North Highway 101 (at Lomas Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-481-7332. (Also in Carlsbad.) "Tasty Grub & Grog," says the sign, and that's just what it is. You come here for three things: the pizzas, the beer, and the scene. The place is cavernous, but the tables are unal, with long wooden benches. Rub shoulders with surfers, students, yuppies, and locals. Pizza Port brews their own beer (try Sharkbite Red) and flings their own pizzas, New York style. Filling combos can be great, like the pesto, mesquite-grilled chicken, sundried tomatoes, artichoke hearts, and feta ("Pizza Carlsbad"), or shrimp, clams, onions, olives, bell peppers, and mushrooms ("Pizza Solana"). Inexpensive. — E.B. (4/03)

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seafood, chicken, and pork — all expertly prepared and served in record time. On days when you don't give a rip about the days when you don't give a rip about the Surgeon General's latest warnings, run to Red Tracton's and indulge your All-American appetite. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly, 11 p.m. closing Friday and Saturday. Expensive. — S.M. (3/04)

Spices Thai Cafe 3810 Valley Centre Drive, Piazza Carmel Shopping Center, Del Mar (east of Carmel Valley turn-off), 858-259-0889. Superb Thai restaurant that's not only elegant but whose food contains no MSG and very little fat. The seafood dishes rate highly. Among other delicacies are duck and frog legs. Put Spices Thai Café at the top of your list. Also in La Jolla, Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. - E.W.

LA JOLLA

Barbarella 2171 Avenida de la Plava. La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. This popular restaurant sits nestled in an English garden just blocks from the beach. You can dine amidst the flora at street-side tables, in the enclosed patio, or in the small dining room. Once you're seated, the friendly staff provides fresh-out-of-theoven sourdough wheat bread to nibble on. The menu changes daily, offering fresh fish, steak, chicken, pastas, soups, and pizzas, all cooked with a twist of imagination that delivers on the flavor. For instance: pizza topped with smoked salmon, crème frîche, chives, and fried capers. Or delicate Alaskan halibut served over creamed spring onions with a watercress salad. If a fresh fruit crêpe happens to be on the dessert menu, leap

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S.M. (4/04)

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Cafe Japengo 8960 University Center Lane, Aventine complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. This hopping "meet market" literally overflows with the area's beautiful go-getters on Thursday and Friday nights, and is almost as busy the rest of the week, too. What draws the crowd, besides the crowd itself, is the smashing decor, breezy patio, and beau-tiful-looking plates of Pacific Rim food - with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best (if you can get to it through the mob). Keep an eye on the prices — if you get carried away you may be in for a large bill. Valet parking (or free validated parking in lower-level garage). Open daily. Expensive. — E.W.



La Jolla Cantina 2161 Avenida de la Playa (at La Jolla Shores Drive), La Jolla 858-459-5282. The surprise here is that this is one of those casual coast cantinas where you can relax, get a good meal, and not get gouged with La Jolla prices. Huevos rancheros (three eggs, corn tortillas, beans and rice) and machaca (carne asada, eggs, bell peppers, onions, rice, beans, tortillas) are great, but you can't beat their eggs Benedict (Black Forest m and two poached eggs smothered in hollandaise sauce). The short-stack pancakes or French toast (made with egg bread, dipped in cinnamon-vanilla batter and dusted with powdered sugar) should give you your sugar fix too. Lunch is great out on the sidewalk (carnitas lunch torta, seared ahi with greens, or lamb in chili sauce are good bets), but the really cool time to come is early



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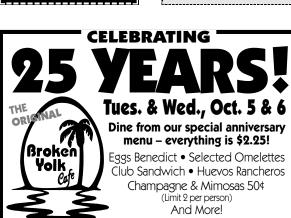
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The Marine Room 2000 Spindrift Drive (off Torrey Pines Road), La Jolla, 858-459-7222. High cuisine, high adventure, high seas at only moderately high prices. With chef Bernard Guillas as top toque, the Marine Room has become the quintessential great San Diego restaurant. The exhilarating coastal view meets Cal-French-Pacific Rim cuisine that's as exuberantly out-front as the waves whacking the windows. Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with ultra-fresh, exotic ingredients makes every visit a voyage of discovery, and preparations are so elaborate that each listing on his precise menu reads like a whole tasting dinner. And the tasting dinners themselves (Monday through Wednes-day evenings) are something of a bargain — a royal feast for the price of, say, a fill-up for your SUV. Reservations re-quired; slightly dressy but not stuffy. Easiest route: Make a right from west-bound Torrey Pines onto Roseland or Viking and go left on St. Louis, which ndrift. Wheelchair ramp to runs into Spindrift. Wheelchair ramp to the left of front door. Noisy when crowded. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday, Sunday brunch, dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W.* (9/02)

P.F. Chang's China Bistro 4540 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-458-9007. The decor and ambiance carry the weight here. Chinese food is only average. This is a place to see and be seen. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Dinner menu available from opening

to closing. In expensive to moderate. —

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

King's Fish House 825 Camino de la (west of Mission Center Drive) Mission Valley, 619-574-1230. To find King's in the megamall, go slightly west of Koo Koo Roo and follow the line of cars to the free valet parking. It's a chain, but it's a classy chain, offering fish and seafoods of a quality that's well above average, including crustaceans from a live-tank and a half-dozen varieties of pristine oysters. Generously-sized entrées come with soup or salad (including a Caesar that's above suspicion) and two hefty side dishes. The vast menu of American-style preparations changes daily to reflect the fresh catch, and includes some rotating regional specialties (e.g., New Orleans, Hawaii, New England). Don't miss the prawn potsticker appetizer, if available, and for dessert, the miraculously light bread pudding. The atmosphere is good-timey (with two patios and a barroom as well as a dining room), the service is enthusiastic, and the management will accommodate special requests if you call ahead. Kiddie menu available. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (5/02)

Pho Tau Bay Restaurant 7604 Linda Vista Road (near Mesa College), Linda Vista, 858-268-3161. Full name La Cai Mi Gia, va Pho Tau Bay. The building looks like a converted McDonald's, but the interior is oriental and swanky with large fish tanks, blue carpet, gold metallic wainscotting, silk roses, a golden three-foot-tall laughing Buddha, and a red altar with three black-bearded

gods. For lunch and dinner you can choose such exotics as quail, boar, alli-gator, and "Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut gator, and Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut Milk and Curry." Breakfast is cheap, fill-ing, and very Vietnamese. Try mi ga, a gentle rice noodle soup with shredded chicken, or order banh mi thit, eight inches of French bread with traditional South Vietnamese beef stew. Puzzled? Ask for Mr. Le. Three meals, daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (11/00)

San Tong Palace 4690 Convoy Street (between Engineer and Balboa), Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. This unassuming, strip-mall restaurant is easy to overlook, but once found, impossible to resist. San Tong's hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions' tastiest styles. The Rainbow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. The seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for westerners At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Inexpensive. — M.N. (4/99)

Tofu House 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-576-6433. This stylish little eatery is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes. Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the soontofu soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom) with raw egg drop you drop yourself and a side of tasty fresh kimchee. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food — Tofu House serves vivid ethnic food. Open daily. Inexpensive. — M.N. (2/99)

THE BEACHES

Cafe Athena Pacific Mall, 1846 Garnet Avenue (at Lamont), Pacific Beach, 858-274-1140. With a more upscale, evecatching decor and a longer and more serious menu than most Greek cafés, this is a popular destination, so be sure to reserve for dinner or you'll risk a long wait. The choices include good soups and appetizers (except for a sub-par tara-masalata), outstanding moussaka, above-average gyros, and interesting, un-usual desserts. There's plenty for vegetarians. Rather noisy when crowded. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (3/02)

Costa Brava 1653 Garnet Avenue (at Jewel), Pacific Beach, 858-273-1218. Cordial owner-host Javier Gonzalez opened this charming restaurant so that local Spaniards would have a place to gather with an authentic atmosphere of home, and indeed, the "Euro" atmos phere and late hours give a truly Iberian feel. The lively garlic-rich dishes here include a wide array of tasty tapas and, among the entrées, a paella that's made to order (sized to serve two or four; call ahead for larger groups). Patio seating in good weather. Parking lot and wheelchair access via the alley behind the restaurant. Open daily 11 a.m. to midnight, with bargain prices at Sunday brunch. Reservations advised for week-end evenings. Moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

Go Greek Cafe and Grill 4501 Mission Bay Drive (mall with 7-Eleven and Sushi Ota), Pacific Beach, 858-270-4487. Located in the same easy-to-miss minimall as Sushi Ota, across the street from Rubio's (look for the 7-Eleven sign), this informal Greek café is better than it looks. The taramasalata (codfish roe salad) may not be house-made, but the delicious spread is straight from Greece. Excellent house salad, stuffed grape leaves, lentil soup, saganaki for additional starters; fine homey moussaka and

grilled fish are among the entrées (but gyros are ordinary), and the exotic rice pudding makes a light dessert. Vegetarian-friendly menu. Belly dancing Friday nights. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch and dinner; sporadically on Sunday. Low moderate. — N.W. (3/02)

Kabuki Sushi Restaurant 4475 Mission Boulevard (entrance on Garnet), Pacific Beach, 858-270-1986. This place has a unique system of delivering tempting dishes to you via boats floating along a mini-canal that surrounds the sushi bar. You take food off and pay according to the plate size. The sushi chefs — they can be a show in themselves — have the usual panoply of sushi, sashimi, ni-giri. The dragon rolls (crab, shrimp tempura, eel, avocado) and spider roll (softshelled crab) are tasty too. It's young and crowded here — is that because you don't have to sweat the menu, just grab what you like off the boat and chew? Open for lunch and dinner Tuesday to Saturday; dinner only Sunday; closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (1/04)

Kaiserhof 2253 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-0606. Even on weeknights, crowds fill this restaurant and *biergarten*, chowing down on hefty, hearty German cooking in a festive atmosphere. Flavors are authentic, but can be monotonous due to kitchen s reliance on commercial products (especially a heavy-flavored beef base that makes all the sauces taste alike). Good schnitzels, potato pancakes. The excel-lent apple strudel is the only dessert made in-house. Reservations advised, especially for patio seating. Full bar. Lunch Friday through Sunday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. N.W. (6/02)

Thee Bungalow 4996 West Point Loma Boulevard, Ocean Beach,

619-224-2884. The very soul of Ocean Beach resides in Ed Moore's charming, comfortable historic "cottage," where the menu covers classic French bistro fare from pâté to soufflé, including comfort-food entrées like *grandmaman* used to make. And like *mamhre*'s, the cooking is a little inconsistent. Skip the overrated duck and head for the seasonal specials, the rich stews, and — of course the pâtés and soufflés. When the pep pery corn soup is on the menu, leap for it. A huge wine list at very low markups is a special blessing. Slightly dressy; reservations strongly advised. Expensive, but with affordable early-bird weeknight dinners. — N.W. (11/00)

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Island Spice 2820 Market Street (at 28th Street), Grant Hill, 619-702-9309. Interesting Jamaican specialties are served indoors or on a sunny patio. Breakfast can include run dung (sautéed salt mackerel) and ackee with salt cod. At lunch and dinner there's fine jerk



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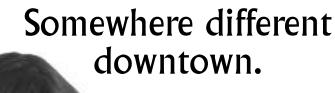
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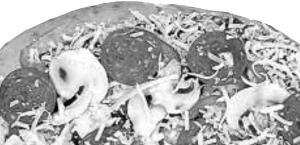
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chicken (ask for dark meat, it's moister), but don't overlook lesser-known delica cies such as savory oxtail stew, escovitch (pickled) fish, curry goat, and fish or chicken in a tangy brown stew. Dinner hours and offerings vary, and many patrons get takeout. Call just before you go to learn what's available and place your order. Inexpensive. — N.W. (2/01)

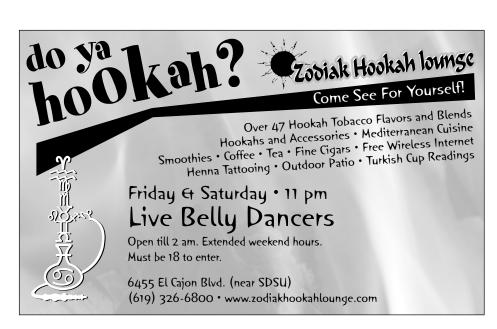
Mailo's Cafe 4095 30th Street, North Park, 619-528-1602, OK, so Mailo's is a Greek café and Mailo and Blanca aren't Greek, they're Mexican-American. On the other hand, Mailo cooked in an OB Greek restaurant for 14 years before he opened here. Plus, the two have made Greek extremely affordable. Prices are definitely down there for their breakfast gyros, with eggs, lamb, tomatoes, and onion wrapped in a hot pita. And they have this great street-corner outside deck to eat on. There's also plenty of American standard fare. Mailo's cheeseburger, with avocado and bacon, is the most popular, with the half-pound steak burger close behind. American breakfasts are the old fashioned kind with three eggs any style, hash browns, and toast, plus ham or bacon or sausage or even chicken fried steak, at bargain prices. Same for their roast beef dinner, or the quarter chicken. Greek style, served with rice, salad, and pita bread. Open Tuesday through Saturday breakfast through dinner, Sunday and Monday till 4 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

Phuong Trang Vietnamese Seafood Restaurant 5296 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-582-0603. Original branch at 4170 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750. Tired of putting up with the crowds at the popular Convov Street restaurant? Go east, where you'll find the same menu without the hassles. The fare centers on Vietnamese "people's food" emphasizing numerous genres of noodle soups, but there are a handful of more elegant house specialties — including the extraordinary "Special Sauce" Dungeness crab from the live tank. (The sauce is tangy tamarind.) Call ahead to order steamed or grilled live-tank catfish. Reservations and credit cards accepted, both branches. Vietnamese beers including "33"; just two generic wines, but you can bring your own. Also bring a pad and write down the numbers of your orders to give the waiter, as staffers speak little English. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate (higher for live-tank seafood). -N.W. (3/04)

Pizzeria Luigi 1137 25th Steet (at C Street), Golden Hill, 619-233-3309. They claim to make real New York pizza in this tiny storefront and they're not lying. One of the owners is from Brooklyn and his origins are written all over the pies. The sauce tastes right and the crusts are thin enough that you can fold a slice into a "V" to eat on the run, New Yorker style. But it's better to take home a whole pie with your choice of toppings (or a stromboli or calzone) and enjoy it at leisure. Inexpensive. — N.W. (7/04)

Red Sea Restaurant 4717 University Avenue (at Euclid), City Heights, 619-285-9722. You'll find richly sea-soned (and potentially very spicy) Ethiopian cuisine, served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *in-jera*, which looks like an edible dish towel and serves as both an edible spoon and an edible tablecloth. (Use pieces of it to scoop up morsels in your right hand.) The meat combination platter here isn't nearly as exciting as several of the specialties. The *kitfo* (spicy beef tartare) is very good, the *gord-gored* (meat cubes in spicy butter) is excellent; both are cooked (or not cooked) to your order, and seasoned to your specifications (if you say "hot," expect fire). Vegetables are fine, too; the yellow split peas, especially, sing with flavor. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Vegetarianfriendly. Can be noisy on weekend evenings. Open daily. Very inexpensive. - N.W. (12/00)

Sister Pee Wee's Soul Food 2971 1/2 Imperial Avenue, Grant Hill, 619-236-0470. One of the oldest, best soul food cafés in the county, but get there early (it closes at 8 p.m.). Sister Pee Wee says her daily lunch and dinner menu depends on what she feels like cooking that day — you might find big pork ribs with mashed red-skin potatoes, black-eyed peas, collard greens and two-inch-thick corn bread, or Southern-fried chicken, or seafood gumbo, or catfish fillet with all the trimmings. Sister's special is chitlins and catfish. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, ham, sausages, and





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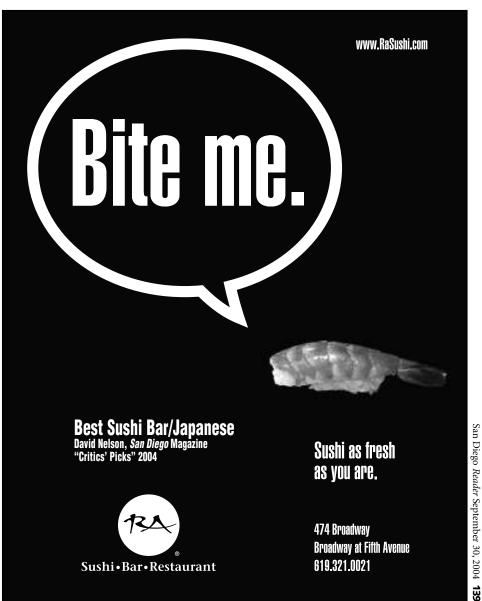
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South Park Bar and Grill 1946 Fern Street, South Park/Golden Hill, 619-696-0096. A genuine American bistro. This loud, lively, very local watering hole started out serving savory comfort-food to an appreciative neigh-borhood patronage; now the whole city's flocking in. Chef Eric Wilburn learned his chops at Bradley Ogden's Lark Creek Inn; if he cooks "mom food," it's more than a cut above mom's. Appetizer/bar menu runs to ordinary pub-grub (but crab cakes or red pepper hummus stand out); entrées get interesting, including indulgent "Stuffed Shrimp and Scallops Florentine," a juicy rib-eye steak, and a light-textured meat loaf. Nightly specials are always worth a try. Considerate service. Full bar, including international wines at easy prices. Park at edge of Gala lot. Reservations only for parties of five or more, so expect a wait most nights. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday; bar menu weekends until midnight: weekend brunches and weeknight reduced-price "early bird specials." Upper moderate to expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

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Greek Town 345 West Main Street, El Cajon, 619-441-9708. Just another Greek buffet? Well, yes. Your choices are standard: gyros meat, spanakopita, mous-

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saka, dolmades. And the décor is the usual blue and white with Greek island posters. But it's the customers who give it an exotic feel, speaking languages from Russian to Greek to Somali. And if you're hungry, this all-you-can-eat deal is great Have gyros meat, but also try the chicken souvlaki (grilled lemon chicken), or start with the excellent *dolmades* (grape leaves wrapped around beef and rice). The leaves' tangy taste and the lemony sauce inside get your juices running. Don't for-get salad... or the dessert table (how could you leave without baklaya?). Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (1/04)

lzzy's Cafe 1252 Broadway, El Cajon, 619-447-5067. Good-ol'-boy eatery in the middle of Box Town. You're looking for quantity? You've come to the right spot. Izzy's — named after co-owner Lorrie Sellers's middle name, Isabel — is all cream walls, country-scene pictures, little wooden hanging milk bottles. They have great breakfasts, two guaranteed to test your belt buckle: chicken-fried chicken in country gravy, with two eggs, potatoes, and bread; or "Izzy's Frittata Bar," an open-faced omelet with spuds and biscuits and gravy. You can add anything from sausage to zucchini — up to four ingredients — without paying extra. Or, oatmeal or a short stack will fill you just fine and leave you with more walking-about money. Breakfast and lunch till 2 p.m. Inexpensive. -E.B. (4/03)

Mario's De La Mesa 8425 La Mesa Boulevard (at Grant), La Mesa, 619-461-9390. The man on the *burro* (seen on the restaurant's sign and menu) holds two flags, those of Mexico and the U.S.A. — very appropriate. Few dishes (except maybe the *menudo*) will push the paler palate too far in any direction, but gosh-all, everything is so darn tasty Tamales are a house special: rich, pil-

lowy clouds of cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins for a smidgeon of sweetness. Pork also gets loving treatment in the carnitas rojas, big chunks browned to the barest crisp, which falls away to melting tenderness. Great marinade (cumin?) the carne asada; intense flavor and buttery richness on the "machaca sonora style" (dry-roasted shredded beef). Beans are so light as to seem whipped; rice is studded with peas and spicy carrots. Service is fast and friendly. Breakfast and lunch Sundays and Mondays; three meals Tuesdsay through Saturday. Inexpensive. — A.M. (7/01)

Orchid Thai and Vegetarian Cuisine 762 North Johnson Avenue #106, El Cajon, 619-447-2819. There's nothing fancy or pretentious about this Thai restaurant, but their food is really, really good. Menu is a mixture of Thai, Lao, and Chinese. Best deal: the fifteen permanent lunch specials, from pepper steak (given a Thai twist) to chicken yellow curry to Orchid Noodle ("Thai egg noodle, chicken, broccoli celery, carrot, noodle, chicken, broccoli celery, carrot, egg and scallions"). *Larb*, the Laotian ground chicken salad, is delicious and filling, as is the *masaman*, curry with potatoes, onion, carrots, and roasted peanuts mixed in sweet coconut milk Other tasty dishes include *prik pow* beef, som tum (papaya salad), panang curry, and mee ped (roast duck) noodle sour Because he replaced a Chinese eatery, the owner, Montry Sengsouriya, keeps dishes like chicken chow mein and a Japanese-style beef teriyaki bowl on the menu. Finish up with a tiny bottle of Kratin Daeng, Red Bull. It s a vitamin elixir the Thais and Lao love to glug for energy. Open for lunch and dinner; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (6/02)

Sala Thai 6161 El Cajon Boulevard (College Plaza), College Area, 619-229-9050. With purple cloth napkins, white tablecloths, green banquettes, butter-colored walls, and a portrait of King Chulalongkorn, Sala Thai has all the trappings of a class joint — except you're only paying six or eight bucks for main dishes. The food? A bit gentle on the spice front. *Tom yum kung*, the famous shrimp soup, should make your neck hairs stick straight out, but if that's what you want you'll have to ask the cooks to make it spicier. Chicken *mussaman*, labeled "medium spicy," is pretty tame but still delicious with its authentic taste-boosters like kaffir lime leaves. Hottest curry: "chicken green." Health treat: Som tum, the famous papaya salad. Lunch, dinner daily; dinner only on Sundays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (4/04)

Shmoozers Kosher Dairy Restaurant 6366 El Cajon Boulevard (at 63rd Street), College Area, 619-583-1636. Great for vegans! This Kosher eatery promises "all-rennetless cheese, vegetarian food, no meat, no animal fat, certified Kosher, 100% fresh ingredients." Everything is prepared under the supervision of the "Va'ad Harabbonim of San Diego" - meaning, the restaurant is inspected every few days by an Orthodox rabbi to make sure the food is prepared properly. The milk is also checked -Chalav Yisroel — from milking to bottling. Good eats include "Felafel, California Style," balls of seasoned ground chickpeas, tahini (sesame paste), and salad rolled in a flour tortilla; the 16-inch vegan pizza; and breaded whiting fillets with chips or salad. Closed Fridays. Open Saturdays from one hour after sunset until 11 p.m.; Sunday to Thursday, noon to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Wednesdays are a take-out-only buffet after 5:30 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/01)

Woodstock's Pizza 6548 El Cajon Boulevard (at Rolando), College Area, 619-265-0999. It's a college pizza joint, but the fare rates well above standard beer ballast. (For that matter, the beers - local Stone Pale Ale, Karl Strauss, Arrogant Bastard Ale, and Wyder's Pear Cider, along with the usual Coors Light and Bud - aren't exactly chug-suds.) Crusts — white or sweetly robust whole wheat - are pressed, tossed, and then folded over at the edge producing a spongy, crunch-crusted rim. The mozzarella is rich, gooey whole-milk; the marinara sauce is dark and spicy; and the toppings are fresh, hearty standouts. Watching your weight? Two low-fat combos (half the cheese) are available. Happy hour with cut-price beer, etc., 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. to midnight. Inexpensive. — A.M. (4/02)

FAR EAST

The Hideout Steakhouse and Saloon 27413 Highway 76, Santa Ysabel 760-782-3656. If you're a Harley-Davidson weekend warrior, this is for you: an old dark timbered roadhouse peeking out of the trees, with its own spring-fed water wheel, 3000 feet up the mountains. Back in the thirties, Hollywood celebs (Roy Rogers, Alfalfa, et al.) used to hang out here on huntin' and fishin' trips Now, bike enthusiasts make it their weekend day-trip destination. It still has a 1920s fireplace roaring at one end, a big pot-belly stove at the other, a honkytonk upright piano, and a forty-footlong oakwood bar. Prime rib dinners are the default dish, smoked in hickory and oak, and served with a "Texas-sized baked potato," vegetables, salad, and squaw bread. Other great eats include a delicious prime rib chili (chunks of smoked prime rib, red beans, cheese, onions) and a half-pound "Posse Burger" (with baked beans). Open Saturday and Sunday only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B.* (5/02)

The Mount Signal Cafe 1201 West Highway 98, Calexico, 760-357-1379. Out in Yuha desert, west of Calexico, this 40-year-old restaurant remains in the era when Mexicali and Tijuana were rivals for the best bullfighters and bulls north of Mexico City. The owner's mom, Maria de Jesus, was a *banderillera*, known to fans as "Manolita," a member of per-haps the only female bullfighting team ever. Surrounded by hundreds of bullfighting photos, you'll find traditional casera (homestyle) Mexican dishes. Keep an eye out for old matadors as you dig in. Open Wednesday through Sunday, lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Owl Cafe 674 Main Street, El Centro, is over 50 years old and still serves good rib-sticking food morning, noon, or night. Try breakfast special #1: pancakes, two eggs, and two bacon strips. For lunch, the French dip sandwich. Fullplate dinners — and they are full — include roast beef, liver and onions, and chicken-fried steak. Open 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday (bar open until 2 a.m.), 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sundays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

The Abbey Cafe 127 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-692-0311. Based on the chi-chi West Hollywood original. Look for the wooden cross tied to the giant cactus. By all means go during the day and sit out on the patio. But the must-visit time is after sunset, when they light the patio wall with thousands of



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candles (okay, 250 of them). Inside the 1910 house you eat in dark-wood rooms with (working) fireplace, church pews, metal chalices, black iron sconces, and stone cherubim. Pick from the all-day breakfasts (try the chicken breast, eggs, and fruit dish) or sandwiches if you're feeling cheap — or the Ahi Tuna (half a pound of fish) if you're more loaded. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (12/01)

Alex's Brown Bag 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel), Suite 171, uptown, 619-231-2912. The reborn Alex's (now in the Mr. A's building) is rightly famous for its "Original Philadelphia cheese steak sandwich" (with fried bell peppers, onions, mushrooms, and mozzarella). Benito Guidagni says what makes his sandwiches so special is that he has the meat trucked in from cheese steak central, South Philly itself. Other Italian-American goodies include the Italian Stallion (Genoa salami, capocolla prosciutto, and mortadella sausage meat), egg plant parmigiana with hot garlic bread, grilled pastrami, and cheese on rye. Partly, of course, you come to see Benny and his family at work. It's, well, very Italian. Open for breakfast, lunch, and just-after-work dinner weekdays; closes 4 p.m. on Saturday. — E.B. (9/01)

Busalacchi's Ristorante 3683 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania), 619-298-0119. Remember Olympia Dukakis in Moonstruck retreating for comfort to her local trattoria? Busalacchi's has that settled, warm feel, but it's more interesting. Multi-levels create nooks and crannies for liaisons dangeruses, or there's the streetside casual level. Niche fountains and faux marble columns make it feel old-fashioned. Being Sicilian, they have plenty of the tomato-sauce-dominated dishes (like torta di melanzana, eggplant layered with mozzarella). But also try the excellent calamari piccata, a calamari "steak" bathed in butter, mushrooms, lemon, capers, and white wine. Simple but delish. Or salads like insalata di fileto with filet mignon, goat cheese, walnuts, eggs, and arugula. And hey, if you want to keep the budget intact, nothing wrong with spaghetti della casa. Lunches Tuesday through Friday; dinners nightly. Moderate to expensive. — E.B. (2/04)

Harney Sushi 3964 Harney Street (off Congress), Old Town, 619-295-3272. This friendly little spot on a side street serves as a secret haven of pretty-good sushi just a few steps from Old Town's nonstop tacos and margaritas. You can also get sashimi, Japanese appetizers, and a few mixed-ethnicity entrées (noodles, pasta, teriyaki, tempura) made with seafood or chicken breast. No red meat is served, and numerous dishes are vegetarian. Good sake list. Sound system runs loud inside; patio dining available in warm weather. Reservations for sushi bar accepted but not necessarily honored. Open weekdays for lunch, dinner nightly until midnight, with a DJ on Friday and Saturday. Sushi prices lower than most, entrées inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (4/03)

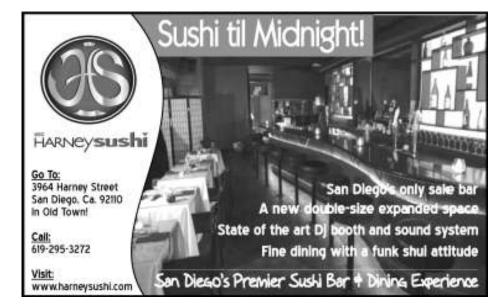
Jimmy Carter's Cafe 3172 Fifth Avenue (at Spruce Street), Hillcrest, 619-295-2070. This comfy, middle-class eatery has a surprise — great Indian breakfasts (until 11:30 a.m. weekdays, 3 p.m. weekends). Try their chicken curry or pessaratu (mung bean crèpe with onions, peppers, ginger, dhal, and chutneys). Or vegetarian vindaloo. Jimmy (no, not the ex-pres) does Chinese too — like the Mongolian beef (Chinese vegetables and beef in a hot chill sauce over rice or noodles), or good Mexican dishes such as chili verde (pork or chicken simmered in spicy tomatillo sauce). But center-stage is his all-American Jimmy Burger (1/3-pound patty with potato or carrot salad). One bonus: a fine tangential view of Balboa Park's lawns and trees. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

Prado House of Hospitality, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. The food brings few surprises, but is flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes, a refreshing eggplant "napoleon," and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana *tres leches* cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum-crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Keep an eye

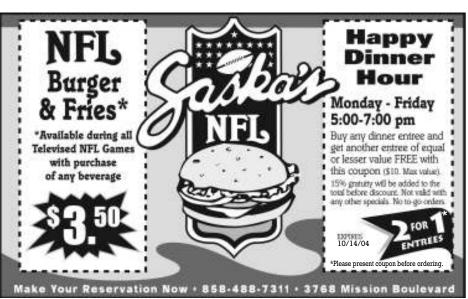
out for special prix fixe dinners that include tickets to museum exhibitions. Dinner reservations vital. Vast interior can be noisy, but heated, umbrellatopped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — N.W. (12/00)

Saffron Noodles And Sate 3737 India Street, South Mission Hills, 619-574-7737. It's the smell of the spicy chicken grilling that will get you every time. Whatever the recipe is — and Su-Mei Yu, the owner and celebrated cookbook author, says it's from the Isaan, Thailand's ethnic Lao Northeast — it catches your nose. We're talking "boxing arena grilled chicken," after the place where she smelled its spicy cooking aromas while growing up in Bangkok. You have a choice of five sauces to go with the chicken, from peanut to sweet pepper. Also try the noodle soups, like Tomm Yam with shrimp: sinus-clearing, delicious, and surprisingly filling. The food here is real, fresh, genuine Thai cuisine with Chinese echoes — like Su-Mei Yu









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Speakers' Corner British Pub & **Grill** 2664 Fifth Avenue (near Nutmeg Street), Banker's Hill, 619-232-5456. Think British and most people will go straight to the Shakespeare or Princess Pub. But Speakers' Corner boasts a loyal following of Brits and Colonials — and lots of locals — who come not only to drink, play darts, and exchange job tips, but also to eat. Yes, the food's awfully British, but not that awful. The fish and chips are darned good, with the batter made daily. Curried chicken pizza is clearly a transfer from the Raj, Britain's "Inja" adventure. And, de rigueur to any red-blooded Englishman, steak and kidney pie, steak and mushroom pie, shep-herd's pie, or bangers (sausages) and mash are always on the menu. Best deal: fish and chips at lunchtime. Lunch to late dinner, six days; kitchen closed Sundays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

Taste Of Szechuan 670 University Mandarin Szechuan menu offers standards with few surprises. But the three best features are the lovely room, the astonishing friendliness of the manage ment, and the late hours. The Peking duck is excellent and so is the chopped chicken in lettuce cups. If you have favorite dishes, they will be prepared upon request in advance. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

Zocalo Grill 2444 San Diego Avenue (a block north of Old Town Cemetery), Old Town. 619-298-9840. This casual, festive spinoff of the Brigantine chain features "Pacific coastal cuisine," an eclectic international hodgepodge with a faint Mexican accent and "something for everyone." And some of those somethings are delicious — a stacked salad of shrimp and avocados, or coconutshrimp kebabs emerging from a pineap-ple, or a huge, beautifully grilled spiny lobster with avocado salsa. Appetizers are half price at happy hour, and you can make a whole dinner out of substantial

"tapas" sized for sharing. The heated, semi-roofed outdoor terrace encourages al fresco dining year-round. Full bar with creative margaritas, eight draft beers, and California wines including Brigantine's own custom blends at good prices. Wheelchair lift in back, ramp at south side of terrace. Reservations strongly advised for weekends. Open daily, lunch through dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (10/02)

DOWNTOWN

A La Carte On Sixth Avenue 921 619-544-1661. This take-out emporium serves delicious sandwiches, soups, and small entrées for amazingly low prices. Best bets are sandwiches: roast beef, meat loaf, egg salad, and salmon. The soup plus half-sandwich makes a fine light meal. Open weekdays 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

Broadway Pizza 1008 Broadway (at Tenth Street), downtown, 619-232-6264. This restaurant, near the downtown Senior Center and City College, offers nononsense Italian-American food, And they're not skimpy: from a pizza slice to barbecue beef sandwiches to a Louisianastyle sausage link sub, portions are generous. If you want a hearty dinner, try the whole slab of beef ribs, with veggies, gar-lic bread, and salad. Unfortunately, the quality has dropped; the formerly fine pizza, for instance, is now marred by oily, low-grade mozzarella and not-so-great optional deli-meat toppings. But the main thing is, while the rest of down-town snores, they're still open, from 10 a.m. to to 3 a.m., seven days. And they'll even deliver to nearby neighborhoods. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/03)

China Too 916 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), downtown, 619-239-4283 or 619-239-1456. The menu claims "New York Style Fine Chinese Cuisine." Would you settle for decent Brooklynor Bronx-style take-out? Way better than at the 99-cent joints, soups are based on sturdy peasant stock (Chinese mother style) and the sound sauces are made with no MSG and minimal cornstarch. But don't look for fresh-picked veggies, too — it's Brooklyn, Jake. Chef Chen's menu includes Mandarin, Szechuan and Cantonese favorites, with a page of multi-regional "Chef's Specialties (#90-#107). But what really makes this a "New

York-ish" spot will bring joy to hungry mouths all over the restaurant-starved stretch east and south of Balboa Park: free delivery from I-8 to Harbor Drive, from Pacific Highway to 805. Open for lunch and dinner daily (except Satur-days) until 10 p.m. Entrées mostly \$7 to \$10. Inexpensive. — N.W. (7/04)

Chowtown Chinese Buffet 1041 Fourth Avenue, downtown, 619-233-3389. Looking for Gaslamp swank? You're on the wrong side of the tracks here — meaning you're north, not south, of Broadway. On the other hand, you won't leave hungry. Tai Thanh Le Le has been into All-U-Can-Eats since 1982 and runs a tight ship. He and his wife Lien Hong are Chinese-Vietnamese and escaped Saigon in 1975. Mr. Le usually has around 30 items on display including BBQ pork in black bean sauce, vegetable chop suey, curried chicken, garlic fried shrimp, egg fried rice, salad, fruit, and ice cream. Lunch and dinner prices include soda or tea. Take the endless pots of Chinese tea. Open lunch through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (1/04)

Downtown Johnny Brown's 1220 Third Avenue (in the Community Concourse at Third and B), downtown 619-232-8414. Walk up through the Community Concourse past the ship fountain and bingo! — downtown's answer to a European sidewalk café. Place has a generous patio of chairs and umbrellas. All green and white. You get two types here: sport-minded types (a dozen TV screens, Chargers, Padres, Aztecs banners inside), and city government workers. Burgers are good, but try the breast of chicken burger with soup of the day. Chicken's grilled, edge-burnt, spicy. Soup's bobbing with fresh-cut vegeta-bles. Also, salads: taco or Southwest Chicken. What's best: sitting outside and watching people — not traffic — bustle by. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Fleming's Steak House & Wine **Bar** 380 K Street (at Fourth), Gaslamp, 619-237-1155. Original branch at 8970 University Center Lane, University City/Golden Triangle, 858-535-0078. A steakhouse for ladies who power lunch, an "old girl's" club, or just a happy place where the term "a nice piece of meat" isn't a bad thing? The mahogany of the "old boys" steakhouse genre gives way here to cheery cherry wood. When you get the fried cheese, it's brie, rolled in panko bread crumbs and slivered almonds. And the wine list boasts far more than just burly Caber-

nets and Bordeaux — over 100 of the far-flung offerings are available by the glass and you can assemble your own three-glass tasting flights. Prime steaks are the main event, perfectly cooked and well-seasoned. Try the Key Lime pie for dessert — custardy and full of limey bite. Valet parking. Dinner nightly. Very expensive. — A.M. (3/04)

Greystone 658 Fifth Avenue (at G Street), Gaslamp, 619-232-0225. The Italian steakhouse fare here centers on dry-aged prime beef, game meats (including exceptionally tender bison), lobster, and pastas as the main draws, with indifferent starters and desserts. An impressive wine list offers rewarding California and Italian bottlings at \$35 to \$50, but roars up to the stratosphere of first-growth Bordeaux, su-per-Tuscans and scandalously overpriced Napa reds. Bossy, sometimes-abrasive waiters push higher-priced choices. Patrons are mainly "suits" with deep expense-ac-count pockets, loudly talking business or enjoying raucous office parties in a testosterone-high atmosphere. Wheelchair access to the street patio and bar area only (dining rooms are up or downstairs). Reservations urged, but may not be honored promptly. Dinner nightly. Extremely expensive. — N.W. (12/01)

Max New York Steakhouse and **Seafood** 827 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-235-8500. As steakhouses go, Max is a good value, offering huge portions of fine, gently raised near-organic meat, cooked to order and offered at relatively gentle prices. You don't even have to pay extra for your veggies. For beef, there's full-flavored naturally raised Angus or butter-tender Kobestyle Wagyu beef from Idaho. Or you can choose a giant rack of lamb, so ten-der it should be called "Certified Agnus." Sauces tend to be pedestrian; request them on the side. The classic steakhouse appetizers are done with some smart twists. Superb interna-tional wine list at below-average markups, including plenty by the glass. Full bar. Valet parking, or inexpensive lot via alley two doors north. Open nightly, until midnight on weekends. Upper moderate to very expensive. — *N.W.* (3/04)

Old World Restaurant 452 Eighth Avenue (at J Street), downtown, 619-238-0568. This is a delight for anyone who loves Northern European













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food. Their "Great Grilled Grueben" homemade corned beef on rye with Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, Thousand Island dressing, and mustard is, as they say, "gemütlich." Also, try the sausage platter: grilled bratwurst, kielbasa, sauerkraut, potato salad, spicy mustard, and rye bread. Open for breakfast and lunch weekdays, brunch and lunch on Saturdays. Inexpensive. E.B. (8/01)

Osetra 409 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), downtown, 619-239-1800. This new, already-jumping fish house features glam lucite-and-chrome decor and thumping percussive music. There's food, too. Along with Caspian caviars you'll find fusiony seafood dishes plus a handful of land creatures. Soups and appetizers offer bold-flavored, edgy fun. Entrées are bold, too, but also a bit savage, with exciting ideas frequently flawed in concept or execution (e.g., venous foie gras garnishes sliced too thin and overcooked to chopped liver). Service is seriously discombobulated when busy, e.g., most evenings. Main dining room reached by long, steep stairway; disabled access to ground-floor bar area tables. Full bar, awesome and pricey wine list, bottles retrieved by bungee-jumping "Wine Angels." Valet parking at Dakota across the street. Reservations strongly advised. Dinner nightly, to 11 weeknights, midnight weekends. Very expensive. — N.W. (7/04)

Ruth's Chris Steak House 1355 Call a week in advance for weekends Expensive. — E.W.

Sally's on the Water Manchester Grand Hyatt, 1 Market Place (Market

and Harbor Drive, adjacent to Seaport Village), downtown, 619-358-6740. On an isolated "island" between the Hyatt and Seaport Village, in fair weather you'll catch great marina views from the terrace. The fare is California-French with a summery Provençal ac cent and an accent on seafood; the dishes are tossed off with ease and consummate assurance by Alsatian chef Stephane Voitzwinkler, Don't miss the exquisite crab cakes (fresh Maryland blue crab with minimal interference) or the tender salmon en croute. Amonthe entrées, the porcini-crusted ahi and the classic bouillabaisse are worthy of attention. If you'd like to know what the chef can do when he isn't limited by the conservative tastes of hotel diners you can book "The Chef's Table" inside the kitchen for six to twelve people with 48 hours notice, and collaborate with him on a custom menu. Sally's interior is hard-edged modern and can be noisy. Full bar, good mainly-Califor-nia wine list. Validated parking in hotel garage. Call for wheelchair-access directions. Lunch and dinner daily.

Expensive. — N.W. (12/02) Sevilla 555 Fourth Avenue (at Market Street), Gaslamp, 619-233-5979. (Also in Carlsbad.) This site has three faces: a crowded but civilized tapas bar for spontaneous snacking, a romantic dining room with serious Spanish entrées, and a basement nightclub dishing out assembly-line paella. The best food is upstairs. You can get tapas in the restaurant and entrées at the bar, and in either case the choices are varied, interesting, and highly cosmopolitan, executed with wonderful consistency. Be sure to look for something that includes potatoes; the humble spud gets Cin-derella treatment here. No reservations (or wheelchairs) at tapas bar; reserva-tions strongly recommended for dining room. Moderate. — N.W. (2/01)

Shortstop's Grille at Tivoli Bar 505 Sixth Avenue (at Island), Gaslamp, 619-232-6754. Ever heard of the Stingaree, downtown's old red light district? The 1885 Tivoli is one of its last survivors, the oldest bar in the Gaslamp, and Wyatt Earp was its most famous customer. The only thing new is Shortstop's Grille, but "Shortstop" Paulie is an old hand at feeding roaring appetites. He's an ex-Alaska fishing boat cook. Best deal: the Tivoli Special, a 1/3-pound burger with a domestic beer included. Other good fillers: the "Shortstop" sandwich (bacon, egg, tomato, cheese, on grilled sourdough), the tuna salad sandwich with fries, and grilled breast of chicken sandwich with fries. Remember to toast Wyatt and his wife Josie. They're on the wall. Lunch and dinner, Monday to Saturday.

Tamale Cart Outside Rancho Fresco, 1852 National Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-338-9140. If you've ever wondered what it would be like to eat as the Aztecs ate, come here and try some of the tamales — classic Aztec food — in all their flavors. Tamales are sort of steamed cornmeal dumplings wrapped in corn husks, served with sauce. The choice of goodies stuffed in the middle can include strips of pork, beef, chicken, or cheese, as well as pineapple, strawberries, or coconut. While you're at it, try the traditional accompaniment, the *champurrado* drink: milk mixed with *masa* — ground corn meal — chocolate, and cinnamon. In this mainly Spanish-speaking market you can sit, watch, and pick up a few bargains too. Tamales make a great breakfast. Three should do you. These are made by the Restaurant Chiapaneco up at 25th and Market. Open breakfast through late lunch, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B (10/02)

Top of the Market 750 North Haror Drive, downtown, 619-234-4867. The upper-crust upper floor of the downtown Fish Market (see Multiple Locations listing) has largely the same food as the downstairs, plus a few lux-ury items (e.g., abalone) and occasionally some creative appetizer specials. Prices are about 25% higher for identical items, in exchange for a slightly elevated view and a dressier, whitetablecloth setting that's almost "for-mal" by San Diego standards — flipflops and tank tops (on men) aren't allowed, and collared shirts (e.g., polos) are suggested at dinner. That doesn't mean that the atmosphere is quietly gracious — the room's just as huge, packed, and raucous as the lower realms, even on the terrace. Reserve

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Orange Avenue (round corner at 1107 Tenth, at the back of Clayton's Coffee Shop), Coronado, 619-437-8811. It's a hole-in-the-wall, it's where Coronado High School and the military come for their Mexican fix, and it might just have one of the best carne asada burritos north of the line. Especially when Manuel's on. He gives you lots of meat. There are other good things, like rolled tacos, chicken tostadas, cheese enchiladas, and combination plates, but nearly everyone asks for the burrito. It has to weigh over a pound. Inexpensive. — E.B. (4/03)

The Family House of Pancakes Center), Chula Vista, 619-425-5133. This is a great place for three things: your family, your kids, and your appetite. The restaurant is famous for its "Grandma's" buckwheat pancakes, its banana-pecan pancake, and its rolled pancakes, oozing with berries and topped with cream and powdered sugar. Just try and survive their 8-12 egg omelet! Other good bets include a deluxe burger with French fries, tomatoes, and house sauce, and a grilled tuna sandwich with fries. Breakfast/lunch only, seven days. Inexpensive.

Flamingo Cafe 396 Broadway (at G Street), Chula Vista, 619-691-1076, Generations have been coming to the Flamingo ever since its grand opening in July, 1925, when it was a lone build-ing amidst the vegetable fields. Regulars on fixed incomes form the backbone of this institution, so the meal deals are real: hearty portions of chipped beef on toast, meatloaf sandwiches with fries, or lunch specials like half a sandwich and a cup of soup. One favorite: the beef stew special in a bread bowl. Evenings, there's always a "Sundowner" special. Open 24 hours, 7 days. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

Karihan Restaurant 2220 East Plaza Boulevard, Suite B, Grove Plaza Center, National City, 619-470-7491. It looks like a grass hut and features about 16 different dishes at remarkably low prices Hamonado, binagoongan, and sinam-palokan turn out to be sweet-and-sour pork in pineapple sauce, pork with salted shrimp, and chicken in tamarind soup. Filipinos like to mix sweet and savory flavors, like kare kare, beef tripe and ox tail cooked in peanut butter sauce. And everybody loves *pancit*, Filipino chow mein. Open 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

La Bella Pizza Garden 373 Third Avenue (at F Street), Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. From the outside, La Bella looks like an Italian farmhouse, with geraniums, bright green shutters, and maroon canopies. A real extended family runs this business. Their secrets are: long hours (from breakfast until after midnight daily), big meals, and small prices. The menu includes standards like spaghetti with meatballs or lasagna, in-cluding sides of garlic bread, soup, or salad. The hit with kids is "Papa's Favorite," an 8-inch pizza with mush-rooms, pepperoni, and sausage. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. -E.B. (3/01)

Mary J's Cafe 1930 Cleveland Avenue, National City, 619-477-6645 or 619-477-5306. Mary J and her café have been around for 40 years and about the only thing to change is the prices. This is the real National City. The regulars start piling in at 5 a.m. Mary always has specials going, but check the big board menu above the stove too. One of their most popular items is the Trucker's Breakfast (three eggs, ham, bacon or sausage, home fries, and toast), or steak and eggs with hash browns and toast. Mary's son Vic, the morning cook, always gives you more than enough. For lunch or early dinner, try the meat loaf with mixed veggies, boiled potatoes covered with gravy, toast, and soup or salad. Or chicken-fried steak with all the fixings. Also hefty: cheeseburgers or tuna melts (with fries plus soda included in the price) and that old American favorite, a fried egg sandwich with chips. Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m, weekdays only. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (6/02)

Miguel's Cocina 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-2401 and 970 Eastlake Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-656-2822. Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colo-nial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine

What the Chef Eats

NORI-WRAPPED AHI

BY BRENT CALLEY

Executive Chef, Cilantro's by the Sea, Encinitas

This is one of the newer things I've put on the menu. It's fusion cooking. I took all my favorite flavors in sushi — ahi, pickled ginger, wasabi, soy sauce — and came up with this dish. People love it, and it's beautiful looking.

For the nori you can go to any specialty store; Henry's Market always has stuff for sushi. Get a packet; it has 50 sheets and it just says nori. Henry's will have powdered wasabi, sushi rice, and everything for the ponzu; they'll probably even have the daikon sprouts and enoki

mushrooms. Albertsons, Ralphs, Jonathan's, Harvest Ranch, and Whole Foods also may have these ingredients.

If you can't find fresh enoki mushrooms, you can substitute with straw mushrooms in the can.

The daikon sprouts are from a long Japanese radish. (In some markets, they may be called kaiware.)

I would choose a Pinot Noir to serve with this dish. Gary's Vineyard is one of my favorites it's full-flavored, and the tannins are perfect. It's not too dry on the palate. It tastes like blackberry, cherry, and oak.

HOW TO DO IT

Ahi: Take a thin, sharp knife and make an incision against the grain all the way through the center of each 4-inch block of tuna. Stuff each piece with pickled ginger. Wrap each in nori. (Note: if nori is too stiff to roll easily, heat briefly over low heat in a dry skillet until it becomes flexible.) Heat olive oil on high heat in a sauté pan, and sear the tuna for 30 seconds on

each side. Remove from pan and slice it thin.

Wasabi vinaigrette: Roughly chop the shallots. Mix the vinegar and the wasabi together. Put all ingredients except oil in a blender or food processor. Mix thoroughly, slowly dribbling in the oil.

Sushi rice: Place rice in a fine-wire colander in the sink. Rinse the rice under a gentle stream of

stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. - N.W. (9/00)

Tin Fish Imperial Beach Pier, 910 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-628-8414. At a table by this fish shack at the far end of the pier, you can watch people and pigeons (and people feeding pigeons) as you dig into huge portions of simple seafood, appetized by the sea air. The bill of fare features fish fried, grilled, chowdered, or wrapped into burritos, tacos, or sandwiches. The big fried combos are about what you'd expect, but more piquant pleasures come in smaller packages. (Portions are generous, whatever you order.) The ovster shooters, for instance, boast a sauce

made from fresh diced tomatoes topped with horseradish. The spicy fish tacos are really spicy, while the fried onion rings are of surpassing delicacy. Best of all, the crab cakes are huge and seriously crabby, with plenty of meat and very little filler. Live music on weekends, good vibes all the time. "Tin Fish Shuttle" (50 cents) runs from parking lot to the restaurant. Open daily, breakfast (to 10:30 a.m.) through early dinner. A second branch at 170 Sixth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-238-8100, open daily lunch and early dinner, offers patio dining across from the Convention Center. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (7/01)

BAJA

From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.

Chiki Jai Avenida Revolución #1388 (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're surrounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gardner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and drank vino tinto here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana's great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos' brands, and a matador's framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food's all Spanish, so paella is big (with sour

salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, chorizo (pork sausages), bacalao (cod fish) a la Vizcaina, trout with olive oil and garlic, and Gallican octopus. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. -E.B. (5/02)

El Nido Boulevard Benito Juárez #67 (1-1/2 blocks north of Hotel Festival Plaza), Rosarito Beach, Baja, 661-612-1430. Head south if you're looking for a great dry-aged, mesquite-broiled steak at a bargain price — but don't stop there. Try the house specialty, quail with garlic sauce (codorniz al mojo de ajo), or venison, especially the savory machaca de venado (strips of meat with peppers, onions, and tomatoes). Both are locally raised on the restaurant's own ranches and may be united in a brilliant breakfast of quail eggs with deer machaca. Seafood



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cold running water for about ½ hour. Let drain for a minute. In a pot, combine the rice and water and cover. Bring to a boil, remove from heat, and let stand for 10 minutes. In a separate mixing bowl, combine the vinegar and sugar. Pour vinegar over the rice while fluffing with a fork. In a hot sauté pan, add the butter scallions, cilantro, garlic, and rice. Toss till the rice starts to sizzle and jump. Add salt and pepper to your liking.

Ponzu vinaigrette and Asian salad: In a small mixing bowl, combine all vinaigrette ingredients and mix thoroughly. In a small saucepot bring the mixture to a boil, remove from heat, and cool. In a mixing bowl, combine all salad ingredients. Add some of the vinaigrette and mix.

Presentation: On individual serving dishes place appropriate amount of rice at the 10 o'clock position. Drizzle wasabi vinaigrette over the rice. Stack or stair-step tuna on top of the rice, fanning the pieces toward 5 o'clock. Place Asian salad on top.

This recipe serves four.

INGREDIENTS

Ahi

1 pound yellowfin tuna (cut

into 4-ounce blocks)

½ ounce pickled ginger

1 sheet toasted nori (seaweed)
 divided into quarters

4 tablespoons extra-virgin olive

Wasabi vinaigrette:

2 shallots, roughly chopped

1 cup rice wine vinegar

1/8 cup powdered wasabi

1/4 cup honey

1 cup blended canola and
extra-virgin olive oil
(purchase blended or mix

3/4 canola to 1/4 olive)

Sushi rice:
1 cup sushi rice (Calrose)
1½ cups water
2 tablespoons rice vinegar
1 tablespoon sugar

4 tablespoons scallions, chopped

2 tablespoons cilantro, chopped 3 tablespoons butter 1 tablespoon garlic, finely

chopped
Salt to taste

Pepper to taste

Ponzu vinaigrette: 1/8 cup lite soy sauce

3 tablespoons lemon juice

1/8 cup mirin or white wine

vinegar

1 teaspoon sesame oil 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive

Asian salad:

1 container daikon sprouts

(kaiware)

1 jumbo carrot, julienned 1 bunch scallions, hard-bias

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1 package enoki

mushrooms

and surf-and-turf variations are tasty, too. The restaurant's name means "the nest" and the amusing indoor-outdoor decor is a sort of multiroom aviary with birds singing, chirping, and fluttering all over. Full bar. If sensitive to smoke, don't sit next to the mesquite-burning hearth on the roofed patio. Dressy-casual. Bilingual staff and menu. Open daily, early morning to late evening. Mostly moderate; cash only. — N.W. (4103)

La Diferencia Avenida Sánchez Taboada 10611-A, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-3346 or 634-7078. Mexican haute cuisine, with inventive combinations of traditional flavors. The creative menu reframes the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Secure, free valet parking next to exterior courtyard. Menu is in Spanish (in a hard-to-read

font), but some staffers speak some English. The restaurant is often noisy, even louder when mariachis plat. Smoking permitted. Wheelchair access marginal. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (1/02)

La Escondida Santa Monica #1 (in Fraccionamiento Las Palmas), Tijuana, 681-4458. "The Hidden One," located in a converted mansion, boasts two gardens and patio dining, and is especially beautiful at night. The roasted baby goat, roasted quail, and the Châteaubriand (for two) are all worthwhile. Very civilized experience, complete with live music on Fridays and Saturdays. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente. Proceed on Agua Caliente past the racetrack, approximately one-half mile. Turn right at Las Palmas. Two short blocks up, turn left at the "Pescaderia Playas" sign. The entry-

way to La Escondida is straight ahead. Open Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 1:30 a.m.; Sunday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.*

Mercado Sobre Ruedas Behind Ejido Mazatlan strip mall (marked by large yellow sign), Juarez and Calle de Mayo, Rosarito. Don't miss this huge flea market that materializes every Sunday (from morning until mid-afternoon) a couple of miles north of the tourist part of town. Its dozens of food-booths offer a vast variety of local treats, ranging from barbecued mutton (borrego) to savory Jaliscostyle goat stew (birria de chivo) to all manner of tacos, made-to-order hotcakes with syrup, "Mexican hamburgers," and Sno-Kones (don't worry about the ice; by law, it has to be made with purified water). The food is totally authentic, cooked to

Mexican tastes, and it's a carnival for the mouth. Many vendors speak some English. Rock-bottom prices; cash only. — N.W. (4/03)

Tacos Varios y Aguas Frescas Corner of Constitución and 3rd, Tijuana. This is "just" a cart, but don't let that stop your making the effort. Students, local businesspeople, and workers agree: this is the real thing. It's always causing a people-bulge on the sidewalk. However, the cart is only here from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., so you have to time it right. But from tongue to chicken mole, to milanesa, steak ranchero, carne asada, chile relleno, and pescado (fish), they create really big taco meals right there. Bonus: standing around chomping in the street is a great way to meet people and practice your Spanish. Nighttime only. Inexpensive. — E.B. (1/04)

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Fish House Vera Cruz 360 Via Vera Cruz (in back of "Restaurant Row") San Marcos, 760-744-7346. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Temecula. This affordable seafood eatery packs in diners like sardines. Fresh fish and lots of it is the happenin' thing. On a recent day, 23 different fresh fish selections were available as daily specials, on top of the regular menu of crab, lobster, oysters, shrimp, catfish, etc. All fish is mesquite-broiled with no sauces and no special preparations but a dab of tartar sauce. The seafood is so fresh you don't really mind. Each entrée includes a choice of two side dishes. The Manhattan chowder is especially tasty, as is their "krab" salad. This is an ideal place for families, but don't even think of it for a romantic meal out. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. -S.M. (3/04)

The Fish Market 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There's something fishy about these crowded, noisy, ever-multiplying restaurants — namely, mesquitegrilled, skewered, steamed, or panko fried seafood, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are gen-erally simple and consistent among locations. All the raw seafood is processed at the chain's Northern California facilities, so when the menu refers to a "local" species it merely means it's from somewhere in the Pacific. Small retail fish market in the downtown branch offers slightly fresher products than most supermarkets. Identical products and dishes are served in the dining room, the oyster bar, and at Top of the Market. But the sushi bar is emphatiwarket. But the sush bar is emphatically the top Fish Market venue, with just-right rice, pristine seafood, and expert preparation. The "Ichiban Hamachi" (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding - and for a sexy treat, share a pair of "Honeymoon Oysters" with your honey. No reservations, but the space is vast so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del Mar at 640 Via Del Valle, 858-755-2277 mini-branch near Fashion Valley, 2401 Fenton Parkway, 619-280-2277. — N.W. (9/01)

Il Fornaio 1333 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4911. Also at Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-8876. Il Fornaio's defensive architecture walls it off from the Great

around Coronado's Old Ferry Landing — but it's worth breaching if only to get your teeth into their to-die-for bread. "Il fornaio" means "the baker," after all. Beyond bread, we're talking rustic-feeling, herbal, ultra-fresh salads, and everyday Italian dishes ranging from sfilatino con bistecchina (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquitegrilled 22-ounce bistecca alla fiorentina, with lots of vegetarian and pasta dishes in between. A simple penne alla sorrentina — pasta tubes with a tomato, mozzarella, and basil sauce — is charming. Pizza puttanesca is heaven too, if you're into anchovies. Interesting regional menus from different provinces of Italy pop up during the first two weeks of each month. Most staffers seem mind-blowingly knowledgeable. Moderate. — E.B. (1/02)

Oggi's At least ten branches all over the suburbs; see phone book for the nearest one. Is it the pizzas or is it the housemade brewskis (six ales, one lager, one stout) that make Oggi's so popular? Is it the sports-bar ambiance (with multiple video screens) or just the nearubiquity of branches that has won this chain numerous "best pizza" citations? The pizzas are American-style, with thick, slightly sweet crusts, many with elaborate toppings that sound more adventurous than they taste. (All the cheese alternatives are equally mild.) The menu also offers pub snacks, decent soups and salads, hearty sandwiches, and American-Italian entrées so malladapted that no mamma mia in Bensonhurst or North Beach would even recognize them. Full bar, lunch and dinner daily at most branches: free local delivery with minimum order. Inexpensive. — N.W. (7/04)

Uno Chicago Bar and Grill The 1943-born Uno chain made its mark by transforming the flat Italian pizza into something a little more upstanding. Deep-dish pizzas have become one of Chicago's better-known exports. Now Uno does serious steak too, with variously sized Angus top sirloins. They come pretty much as is, but the meat itself is plenty flavorful and tender. Another find from its expanded menu (which includes fajitas, ribs, shrimp scampi, steak'n cheese burgers) is the wicked "grilled honey-mustard salmon." Still, most lunchtime customers we saw seemed to stick to the staple: deep-dish pizzas and salads. Open daily, continuous service, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. 4465 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-483-4143; Fashion Valley Center, 619-298-1866; 5th and H, Chula Vista, 619-420-8660. — E.B. (8/01)













Unmagnificent Seven

...the dirty old man who fancies himself still as cute as the naughty little boy.

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

he press packet for the third annual San Diego Film Festival, which got underway last night and runs for a modest four more days, arrived in the mail last week with an RSVP deadline of September 15 and

a postmark of September 16. A mixed message, if ever there was one. I would be delighted — well, perhaps not de-

well, perhaps not delighted, but willing — to drop in on one or two of the thirty-some inconspicuous features in the festival if only I could first get on top of the pile in general release. The climb recommences.

First Daughter. Second apolitical comedy in this election year to deal with the wing-spreading of the President's only child, this girl heading west to college, in the footsteps of Chelsea Clinton, while her father campaigns for a second term. The film had the bad fortune to be beaten into the marketplace by Chasing Liberty (similar in theme and treatment right down to an undercover Secret Serviceman as suitor) and the good sense to postpone its release date till the other one had had time to evaporate in the

moviegoer's memory. Eight months were more than enough. This one is clearly the better of the two, with better attention to circumstantial detail and daily probabilities, and better direction by Forest Whitaker: some deft

transitions, in particular, and a covertly clever camera movement that teaches a little lesson in aspect ratios, the cam-

era eye following a furtive couple from a side exit at a movie theater to their seats in the middle of the auditorium, and in the process widening the view of the screen from a cropped square to its full Cinemascope rectangle, transforming the image from a one-shot to a two-shot (more precisely, from Tom Ewell in the passenger seat in The Girl Can't Help It to Jayne Mansfield, too, in the driver's seat). Had this one beaten its competitor to the market, it might not have had time to evaporate before the actual election. The narrower competition, head to head against cinematographer Toyomichi Kurita, could fearlessly be opened up to all comers. Swathed in a warm, soft, gentle light, this really is a fine-looking film, finer



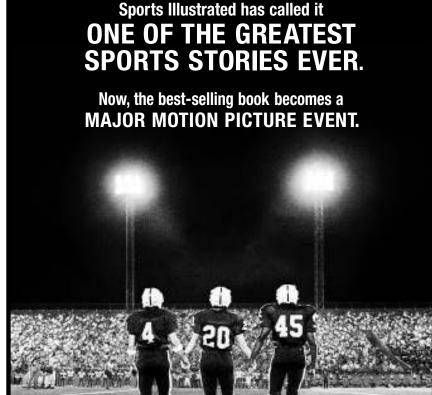
A Dirty Shame

in its quiet way than the showy *Hero*, the stunty *Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow*. The characterizations on the other hand — Katie Holmes's title character, Michael Keaton's President, Margaret Colin's First Lady, Marc Blucas's Romantic Interest, Amerie's African-American roommate — are as featureless and inhuman as crash-test dummies. Admittedly, the highly po-

litical and uncomedic *Spartan* from earlier this same year, but apt to evaporate not much sooner than Lake Superior, has rather spoiled me for movies about U.S. Presidents and their college-age daughters.

Silver City. Droning instruction in politics, economics, and sociology from the liberal slant of John Sayles. (The liberalism is irreproachable: the

cast is listed alphabetically, the photographer is Haskell Wexler.) You would like to think that in his fifteenth feature film, you could expect a certain level of professionalism and finesse in Sayles's writing and directing. What you can actually detect is a drop: in addition to his usual stagy dialogue, a raw and ruddy digital-video image, a dead-air soundtrack, and a strictly am-



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ateur central performance (as you would never guess from the alphabetical list) by Danny Huston, producing faint echoes of his father John, as a private investigator embroiled in the Colorado gubernatorial race. The leading candidate — son of a U.S. Senator, putty in the hands of Big Business, slave to his Spiritual Advisor — bears an unaccidental resemblance to George W. Bush ("He's a fuckin' disaster when he's off the script"), and Chris Cooper has some fun — our only fun — mimicking the Commander-in-Chief's halting, faltering, what's-my-line inarticulacy.

A Dirty Shame. John Waters at low ebb. Spring is sprung, the sap is flowing, the birds twitter and the bees buzz. and the battle lines are drawn, straight through Middle America, between the sex maniacs and the neuters. ("Let's go sexin'!" vs. "I'm Viagra-vated and I'm not going to take it anymore!") All that's required is a bonk on the head to send one of the troops over to the other side, and another bonk to send him or her back again: sexed, unsexed, sexed, unsexed, ad nauseam, ad tedium. The premise permits Waters, selfanointed arbiter of bad taste, simultaneously to spoof and to salute the sexploitation films of the pre-hardcore era, some of which are showcased in post-bonking hallucinatory montages. (And let us pause here for a moment of silence in memory of the recently deceased Russ Meyer, King of the Nudies, one of those rare individuals of whom it may be said that had he never existed, he'd have had to be invented. The character of Ursula Udders, played by Selma Blair and two watermelons, owes him everything.) The argument for the defense might suggest that, in its slapdash plot and slipshod production, this film is no dopier than the ones it spoofs and salutes; but the rebuttal to that would contend that its knowingness renders its dopeyness all the more objectionable: the dirty old man who fancies himself still as cute as the naughty little boy. The prodigiously gifted Tracey Ullman, resignedly slumming, has had little chance on the big screen to show what she can do, and has no chance here. She reminds us of what she has done on the small screen, however, with her throwaway utterance of the favorite oath of the fictitious Ruby Romaine, "Jesus, Mary, and Joseph!"

The Forgotten. Science-fiction thriller that takes a good long while to declare itself as such. A grieving mother, Julianne Moore, acting as if this were no less serious a business than The Hours or Far from Heaven, continues to make daily visits to her nine-year-old son's bedroom — his dresser, his Mets cap, his baseball mitt, his photo albums — fourteen months after he went down in a plane, plus weekly visits to a psychologist. Then, suddenly, all photographic evidence of the child disappears; and the mother is told, first by her husband and then by her therapist, that he never really existed. The therapist has a word for it (I didn't quite get it: telamnesia?), signifying the invention of an alternative reality. Friends and neighbors unanimously confirm the child's nonexistence. So far, so intriguing. But then the National Security Agency comes into it, as well as a mystery man who bounces up after getting run down by a car and shrugs off bullets in the leg, shoulder, and back. (Alfre Woodard, in compensation, comes into it, too, as an ordinary New York cop.) The seeming impossibility of a satisfactory explanation and the seeming indestructibility of the antagonist

impose heavy burdens on the film, and on the spectator's patience. In the end, there's a logical explanation, albeit a supernatural one, but it's also a weak one, a partial one, a dissatisfying one. The film as a whole mirrors the career of its director, Joseph Ruben: some early promise (Dreamscape, The Stepfather) followed by disappointment (Sleeping with the Enemy, The Good Son, Money Train, Return to Paradise). The handsomeness of the cinematography by Anastas Michos is a constant.

Head in the Clouds. Ménage-à-trois in pre-WWII Paris, composed of a flighty bi-national socialite ("You're very modern, aren't you?"), a socially conscious Irishman, and a crippled dancer in exile from Spain: Charlize Theron, Stuart Townsend, Penelope Cruz, in order. The recipe caters to the apparently bottomless appetite in art houses for period cars, clothes, and uncontroversial politics (i.e., anti-Fascist). Writer and director John Duigan, who would seem to be well acquainted with the basic repertoire of 20th-century English music ("The Lark Ascending" in The Year My Voice Broke, "The Wasps Overture" in Flirting, both by Vaughan Williams), twice calls upon the opening march of Elgar's First Symphony to lend gravitas. Then again, Hugh Hudson in Greystoke: The Legend of Tarzan, Lord of the Apes called upon the same piece for the same purpose. Gravitas is not so much lent as leeched.

Ladder 49. Solemn post-9/11 tribute to firefighters, although these are Baltimoreans rather than New Yorkers. The central one, Joaquin Phoenix, lies injured and trapped in a burning building as his life flashes before him. Or to be more exact, he consciously flashes back on his life at length and at intervals — his first day on the job, his first fire, his first love, his first funeral, his first rescue, his first-born, etc. — as he recovers his strength and struggles to survive. John Travolta, at maximum charm as the station Captain and later citywide Chief, joins the struggle from the outside. Director Jay Russell treats this fraternity with an adulation that, if aimed in another direction, would have embarrassed to death Jesus and the twelve Apostles, and would have driven to drink Jimmy Cagney, Pat O'Brien, Lee Tracy, and the rest of the regulars in Warner Brothers working-man films of the Thirties.

Shark Tale. Subaqueous computer animation; or, Finding Nemo's Sunken Treasure. Not only is the plasticky animation done by computer, but also the plotting, scripting, casting, everything. We have here, plugged in as variables in the formula, hip-hop fish (voice, and lips, of Will Smith), Mafia sharks (voice and facial mole of Robert De Niro), a temperamental blowfish (voice and eyebrows of Martin Scorsese), Rastafarian jellyfish (Ziggy Marley, Doug E. Doug), and so on. One of the younger sharks (Jack Black) is "different," specifically vegetarian (read "effeminate"), symbolically whatever you please. Pop-culture references are rife: the sharks hum to themselves the theme from Jaws, etc. Wordplay is compulsory and compulsive: shell phones, prawn shop, Coral-Cola. As long as the box-office stampede persists, there is no reason for the manufacture of these things to slow down or aim higher. ■

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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 Bova, Lance Henriksen, Ewen Bremner; written and directed by Paul W.S. Anderson 2004

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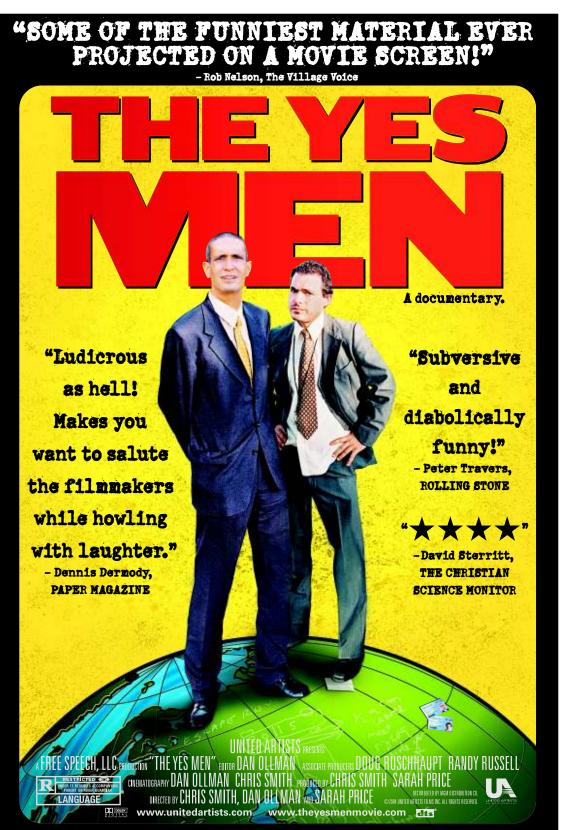
Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood

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.

★ (CHULA VISTA 10: PALM PROMENADE 24)

Army of Darkness - Sam Raimi's slaphappy sequel to his Evil Dead II: the onehanded hero (how he got that way is explained in a cumbersome recap at the outset) is sucked through a time tunnel to the Middle Ages (and a different continent), armed with a custom-fitted chainsaw and a shotgun that more than once materializes out of nowhere. To return to his own time, he must get his hands on the Necromicon, but not before uttering roughly the same magic words from *The*Day the Earth Stood Still. Uttering them too roughly, he arouses an army of the dead. Bruce Campbell, with good enough looks to step into the role of Superman, hits and sustains the right note for his anachronistic toughtalk ("All right, you primitive screw-heads, listen up!" and "Yo! She-bitch! Let's go!"); and the general mood of silliness is relaxing if not terribly rib-tickling. 1993. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, 10/2 MIDNIGHT)

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,



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more specifically at the Shakespeare and Company bookstore, where the man (a hollower-cheeked 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 catch up. They walk in the street, sit in a cafe ("I

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 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 lawenforcement 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 unre lenting 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 mishe 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.

★ (ENCINITAS 8: FASHION VALLEY 18: GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MIRA MESA 18: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROME-

Bright Young Things — Stephen Fry's admiring, not to say admirable, adaptation of Evelyn Waugh's Vile Bodies, a moralistic social satire to do with the hard-partying idle rich in England entre les guerres, but with obvious "relevance" to today: materialism, hedonism, drugs, sex, sleazoid press, and so on. The sloppy direction leaves you grasping for a single sharp composition, a single crisp color, a single shot worth looking at. With Stephen Campbell Moore, Emily Mortimer, Michael Sheen, Fenella Woolgar, Jim Broadbent, Dan Aykroyd, Stockard Channing, Peter O'Toole. 2004.

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 day-spa business. With Chris Evans and Jason Statham; directed by David R. El-

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; FASH-ION VALLEY 18: GROSSMONT CENTER: HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MIS-SION 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 SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

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

pathic contract killer who hires an off-themeter 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 convenience-store 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.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VAL-LEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24)

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 your eyes and see. With Diego Luna, Maggie Gyllenhaal, Peter Mullan; directed by Gregory Jacobs. 2004.

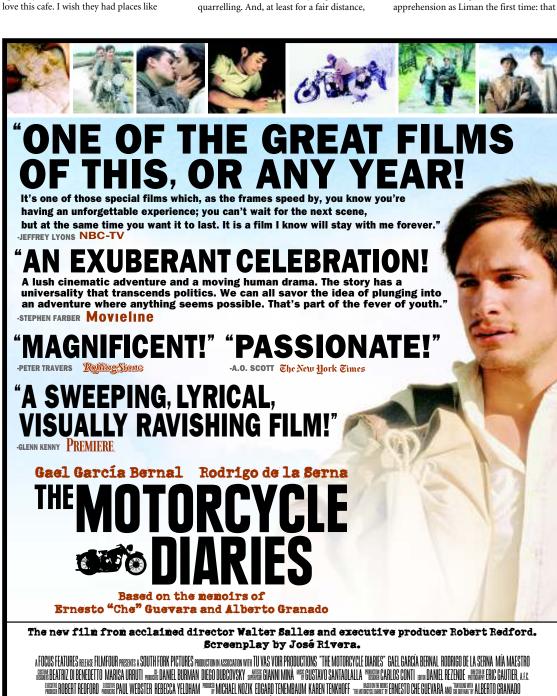
★ (GASLAMP 15)

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 re-



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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

tionary a figure to command much interest:

pivotal position but is too static and sta-

a pair of dark eyes in a pale face, almost a

mains 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. ★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY)

A Dirty Shame — Reviewed this issue. With Tracey Ullman, Johnny Knoxville, Chris Isaak, and Selma Blair; written and directed by John Waters.

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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 line of humility, "and I like to draw." His 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-and-white 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-womanyounger-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 motherand-daughter replacements. (The distinctively Irving punch line: just when Mom wants to know what sort of posing they'd

plaster mold with bottomless holes instead of eyes, a mask of tragedy. 2004.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 9/30)

End of the Century: The Story of the

Ramones — Second-class documentary - the video-transfer image ranges from poor to wretched — on the seminal punk band who never quite hit pay dirt. The de rigueur backstage discord one's a doper, one's a drinker, one's a Right-winger who steals the girlfriend of the obsessive-compulsive lead singer — will be of interest in direct proportion to your tolerance for their black-leather-jacketed public personas and their oddly endearing music. Two of the original quartet - Joey and Dee Dee — died before completion of the film, and a third — Johnny — in the course of its theatrical circulation. Directed by Michael Gramaglia and Jim Fields. 2003. ★ (KEN, THROUGH 9/30)

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-andthree-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 preguels. 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.

(GASLAMP 15; 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



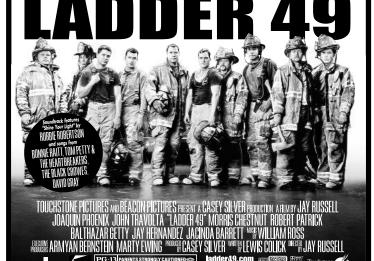
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rendition of his self-composed "Let the Eagle Soar"); and at times he stretches himself to the utmost gravity (a mother's grief over the loss of her soldier son, grisly war footage you won't see on American television). The shifts in scale and in tone 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

★★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

First Daughter — Reviewed this issue. With Katie Holmes, Michael Keaton, Margaret Colin, Marc Blucas, and Amerie; directed by Forest Whitaker.

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The Forgotten — Reviewed this issue. With Julianne Moore, Dominic West, Anthony Edwards, Gary Sinise, and Alfre Woodard; directed by Joseph Ruben. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CIN-ERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VAL-LEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROME-NADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RAN-CHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SOUARE 14: VISTA VILLAGE)

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 the hero's leg in the doctor's waiting room, rassments and bizarreries. The real, the external reason for this onslaught of oddities, 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 sub-

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urb. 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.

• (FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILL-

CREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; OCEANSIDE 16; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SOUARE 14)

Going Upriver: The Long War of John Kerry - George Butler's documentary on the formative experiences of the 2004 Democratic presidential nominee (GASLAMP 15: LA JOLLA VILLAGE: FROM 10/1)

Gozu — Japanese black comedy from the director of Audition, Takashi Mijke (KEN, 10/1 THROUGH 7)

Head in the Clouds — Reviewed this issue. With Charlize Theron, Stuart Townsend, and Penelope Cruz; written and directed by John Duigan.

★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

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 Zivi, 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 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 solid-color 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.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: ENCINITAS 8: FASH-ION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MIS-SION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24: RAN-CHO DEL REY 16)

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 Provas (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 locked-room 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 human being, or, through inaction, allow a human being to



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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 backvard pet cemetery. It goes on and on like that, an endless parade of embarphotographed with a Diane Arbus-like bluntness, might be sought in the filmmaker's commonplace desire to be Wes Anderson. Another way to say the same



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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 tableturning 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 science-fiction classic, then, we get just another one-week boxoffice 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 somehow 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

(VOGUE)

- Reviewed this issue. With Joaquin Phoenix, John Travolta, Jacinda Barrett, and Morris Chestnut; directed by Jay Russell.

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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 Patricia Rae; written and directed by Joshua

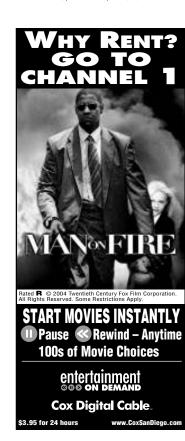
Greenwood. 2004.

Marston, 2004. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Motorcycle Diaries — Gael García Bernal as the young Ché Guevara, directed by Walter Salles. . (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/1)

Mr. 3000 — A member of the exclusive 3000-Hit Club, but not vet of the Baseball Hall of Fame, has his membership revoked when a statistical error comes to light: Mr. 2997. Nine years into retirement, at forty-seven years of age, and in the face of a hostile press, he attempts a brief comeback to rectify the error. This sports comedy strives as much for plausibility as for humor, and delivers a little of both. With Bernie Mac, Angela Bassett, Brian White, Michael Rispoli; directed by Charles Stone III. 2004

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Napoleon Dynamite — A catchy name for a movie, but not a name that fits its owner: the nerd of nerds at Preston High in 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 halfclosed eyes 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 under gone 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. ★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPI ACE 13: PAI M PROMENADE 24: POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN

The Notebook — Young love relived in the old folks' home: James Garner, every day, reads to a memory-impaired Gena Rowlands the story of a different-worlds romance ("It was an improbable romance. He was a country boy, she was from the city"), the story - you guessed it - of their own romance in the Forties, in the hopes of jogging her memory. (The very different-looking Ryan Gosling and Rachel McAdams play them in flashback.) Another river of slush from the pen of novelist Nicholas Sparks, sluggishly navigated by director Nick Cassavetes (Rowlands's son), unable to dredge up even the snickers of Message in a Bottle and A Walk to Remember. With James Marsden, Kevin Connolly, Joan Allen, Sam Shepard. 2004. ● (VOGUE)

Paparazzi — Third-rate thriller about the revenge of a Hollywood action star called



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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. • (GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MIS-

SION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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

• (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; PALM PROME NADE 24: VOGUE)

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)

Shark Tale — Reviewed this issue. With the voices of Will Smith, Jack Black, Robert De Niro, and Renée Zellweger; directed by Bibo Bergeron, Vicky Jenson, and Rob Letterman.

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ERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MIS-SION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARK-WAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15: SAN MAR-COS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 10/1)

Shaun of the Dead — British horror comedy starring Simon Pegg, who co-wrote

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ont Drive (858-274-1234) **First Daughter** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:55) 4:20, 6:45, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:55, 4:20) 6:45, 9:10; The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 1:10, 2:35, 3:25) 4:50, 5:40, 7:30, 8:05, 9:55, 10:30; Sun. (12:20, 1:10, 2:35, 3:25) 4:50, 5:40, 7:30, 8:05, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 2:35, 3:25, 4:50, 5:40) 7:30, 8:05, 9:55; **Garden State** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:10, 7:40, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:40) 6:40, 9:40; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 1:30, 2:50) 4:25, 5:25, 7:15, 8:00, 9:50, 10:40; Sun. (12:15, 1:30, 2:50) 4:25, 5:25, 7:15, 8:00, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 2:50, 4:10, 5:25) 7:15, 8:00, 9:50; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:40) 4:25, 6:50, 9:20; Sun. (1:40) 4:30, 6:55, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:30) 6:55, 9:20; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:45) 5:05, 7:25, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:55) 7:25, 9:35; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 3:30) 4:15, 4:45, 5:30, 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 9:00, 9:30, 10:15; Sun. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 3:30) 4:15, 4:45, 5:30, 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:00, 3:00, 3:30, 4:15, 4:45, 5:30) 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 8:15, 9:00, 9:30, 10:00; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:45) 4:40, 7:20, 10:00; Sun. (1:45) 4:40, 7:20, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:40) 7:20, 9:45; **Wimble**don (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:05, 3:35) 6:35, 9:15

DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400) Alien vs. Predator (PG-13) Mon.-Thu. (3:45) 8:20; Before Sunset (R) Mon.-Thu. (2:55) 7:30; The Blind Swordsman: Zatoichi (R) Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:40) 7:10, 9:55; **The Bourne Supremacy** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:50) 5:15, 7:50, 10:20; Sun. (12:15, 2:50) 5:15, 7:50, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (2:50, 5:15) 7:50, 10:10; **Exorcist: The Beginning** (R) Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 5:55) 10:30; **Fahrenheit 9/11** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 3:00) 5:35, 8:20, 10:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:35) 7:35, 10:00; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 1:10, 2:40, 3:25) 5:00, 5:40, 7:05, 8:00, 9:40, 10:15; Sun. (12:30, 1:10, 2:40, 3:25) 5:00, 5:40, 7:05, 8:00, 9:40, 10:20; 2:40, 3:25) 5:00, 5:40, 7:05, 8:00, 9:40, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 2:40, 3:25, 5:00, 5:40) 7:05, 8:00, 9:40; Going Upriver: The Long War of John Kerry (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20) 4:30, 8:10, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 4:30) 7:15, 9:25; Head in the Clouds (R) Mon.-Thu. (4:55) 9:35; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 12:45, 1:30, 2:45, 3:20) 4:10, 5:20, 5:55, 7:00, 7:55, 8:30, 9:35, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 2:45, 3:20, 4:10, 5:20, 6:00) 7:00, 7:55, 8:30, 9:30, 10:25; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:35) 5:45, 8:15, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 5:45) 8:15, 10:15; **Riding Gi**ants (PG-13) Mon.-Thu. (2:55, 5:10) 7:25 9:45; **Vanity Fair** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:20) 4:20, 7:20, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:20, 10:20; **Without a Paddle** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 3:10) 5:30, 8:05, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:30) 7:45, 10:05

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The Best Two Years (PG) Fri.-Thu. (5:00); Cellular (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:50, 5:15) 7:40, 10:00; **Collateral** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:05; **First Daughter** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:20) First Daughter (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:05; 6:40, 9:20; Hero (PG-13) Fri. (12:40, 3:20) 6:40, 9:20; Hero (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:30) 82, 7:35, 10:00; Sat. (12:05, 2:30) 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 60, (12:05, 2:30) 7:35, 10:00; Mr. 3000 (PG-13) 9 Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:55) 6:50, 9:25; Resident Evil: Apocalus Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:55) 6:50, 9:25; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:45, 5:10) 7:30, 9:55; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Sat. 7:35; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, **1** 12:30, 1:00, 1:30, 2:20, 3:00, 3:30, 4:00, 4:45,

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La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Iolla Drive (858-558-2262) Shark Tale: Ladder 49; First Daughter; The Forgotten; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow; Mr. 3000; Wimbledon; Cellular; Hero; Garden State; Collateral; Napoleon

La Jolla Village 8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236) Army of Darkness (R) Sat. 12:00; Going Up river: The Long War of John Kerry (PG-13) Fri. (1:20, 3:30, 5:40) 7:50, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:20, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:30, 5:40) 7:50, 10:00; Head in the Clouds (R) Fri. (4:15) 9:20; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 4:15, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (4:15) 9:20; Maria Full of Grace (R) Fri. (1:45, 4:45) 7:15, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:20) 1:45, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30; Mon.-Wed. (1:45, 4:45) 7:15, 9:30; Thu. (1:45, 4:45) 9:30; **Shaun of the Dead** (R) Fri. (3:00, 5:15) 7:30, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (12:45) 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Mon. (3:00, 5:15) 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (3:00, 5:15) 7:30, 9:45; **Zhou Yu's Train** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:55) 7:00

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Mira Mesa 18

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Mann Hazard 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-574-7849) Criminal (R) Fri. (12:45, 3:05, 5:20) 7:30, 9:50; Sat.-Thu. (12:45, 3:05, 5:20) 7:30, 9:50; **The** Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:00, 5:10) 7:25, 9:45; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri. (12:35, 5:00) 7:20; Sat. (12:35, 5:00); Sun.-Thu. (12:35, 5:00) 7:20; Ladder 49 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 4:05) 7:00, 9:40; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 3:10, 5:25) 7:35, 10:00; **Shall** We Dance? (PG-13) Sat. 7:20; Shark Tale (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:40, 5:05) 7:20, 9:35; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 2:45, 5:15) 7:40, 10:05; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (2:50) 9:55

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5831 University Avenue (619-287-8900)
Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid (PG-13) Fri. (1:25, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 10:05; Sat. (11:20, 1:25, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50, 10:05; Sun. (11:20, 1:25, 3:30) 5:40, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:40, 5:50) 8:00; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri. (1:45, 3:45) 5:50, 7:55, 10:00; Sat. (11:45, 1:45, 3:45) 5:50, 7:55, 10:00; Sun. (11:45, 1:45, 3:45) 5:50, 7:55; Mon.-Thu. (3:20, 5:20) 7:30; **Ladder 49**

(PG-13) Fri. (1:15, 3:50) 7:15, 9:50; Sat. (11:30, 2:00) 5:00, 7:35, 10:10; Sun. (11:30, 2:00) 5:00, 7:35; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:45) 8:10; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri. (1:40, 3:55) 7:10, 9:30; Sat. (11:25, 1:40, 3:55) 7:10, 9:30; Sun. (11:25, 1:40, 3:55) 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:25) 7:50; Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri. (1:30, 3:40) 5:45 8:00, 10:10; Sat. (11:15, 1:30, 3:40) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Sun. (11:15, 1:30, 3:40) 5:45, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:50, 5:55) 8:05; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri. (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 9:55; Sat. (11:00, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 9:55; Sun. (11:00, 1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (3:30, 5:30) 7:40

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236) **Broadway: The Golden Age** (Not Rated) Fri. (4:25) 7:00; Sat.-Sun. (1:30) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (4:25) 7:00; **Gozu** (Not Rated) Fri. 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (4:05) 9:35; Mon.-Thu. 9:35

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236) A Dirty Shame (NC-17) Fri. (1:20, 3:30, 5:35) 7:45, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:20, 3:30, 5:35, 7:45, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:30, 5:35) 7:45, 10:00; **Garden State** (R) Fri. (1:50, 4:25) 7:00, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Tue. (1:50, 4:25) 7:00, 9:40; Wed. (1:50, 4:25) 9:40; Thu. (1:50, 4:25) 7:00, 9:40; **The Motorcycle Diaries** (R) Fri. (2:25, 5:15) 8:10; Sat.-Sun. (11:35) 2:25, 5:15, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:25, 5:15) 8:10; **Silver City** (R) Fri. (2:15, 5:05) 8:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:25) 2:15, 5:05, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 5:05) 8:00; **The Yes Men** (R) Fri. (1:30, 3:40, 5:45) 7:50, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (11:05) 1:30, 3:40, 5:45, 7:50, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 3:40, 5:45) 7:50, 9:50

Museum of Photographic Arts 1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559) Call theater for program information

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center 1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233) **Coral Reef Adventure** (Not Rated) Fri. 2:00; Sat. 2:00, 6:00; Sun. 3:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:00; Forces of Nature (Not Rated) Fri. 11:00, 1:00, 4:00, 8:00; Sat. 11:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 5:00; Mon.-Tue. 11:00, 1:00, 4:00; Wed.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00; Journey Into Amazing Caves (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00; To Worlds Beyond Sat. 10:00; Volcanoes of the Deep Sea (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00, 9:00; Sun. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00; Wolves (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456) The Bourne Supremacy (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 5:10) 10:25; Cellular (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:20, 4:50) 7:20, 9:50; **First Daughter** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:05, 4:40) 7:15, 9:50; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 12:15, 2:10, 2:40, 4:35, 5:05) 7:00, 7:30, 9:25, 9:55; Hero (PG-13) Fri. (4:40) 7:10, 9:40; Sat (4:40) 9:40; Sun.-Thu. (4:40) 7:10, 9:40; Ladder 49 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 11:50, 2:15, 2:35, 5:00, 5:20) 7:45, 8:05, 10:30, 10:50; Mr. **3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:10, 4:45) 7:20, 9:55; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:55, 5:20) 7:45, 10:10; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:20, 5:05) 7:50, 10:35; Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:10, 4:35) 7:300, 9:25; Shall We Dance? (PG-13) Sat. 7:20; Shark Tale (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 12:15, 12:45, 2:10, 2:40, 3:10, 4:35 5:35) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:25, 9:55, 10:25; Shaun of the Dead (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:10, 4:50) :30, 10:10; SuperBabies: Baby Geniuses 2 (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:15); Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (2:35) 7:50; **Without a Paddle** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:10, 4:40) 7:10, 9:35

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Center (619-465-7100) First Daughter (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 3:20) 7:35, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:30) 7:30, 10:05; The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 2:55)5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 2:55, 5:15) 7:35, 10:10; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:25) 5:05, 7:50, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:40) 7:40, 10:20; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:55) 4:30, 7:05, 9:50; Mon.-Thu (1:15, 4:30) 7:05, 9:50; Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:40) 5:10, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:10, 5:25) 7:50, 10:05; Shark Tale (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 12:45, 2:10, 3:05) 4:35, 5:25, 7:00, 8:00, 9:20, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 12:45, 2:40, 3:05, 4:50, 5:20) 7:00, 8:00, 9:35, 10:15; **Shaun of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:45) 5:20, 7:55, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:15, 5:35) 7:55, 10:25; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 2:20) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:35) 7:15, 9:45; **Wimble**don (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:30) 5:00, 7:20, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:35, 3:00, 5:30) 7:45,

Grossmont Trolley 8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401) **Garden State** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:00) 4:30, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. (1:00) 4:30, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:15; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri. (12:35, 2:50) 5:10, 7:35, 10:05; Sat. (12:35, 2:50) 5:10, 10:05; Sun. (12:35, 2:50) 5:10, 7:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 4:15) 7:40; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:15) 7:05, 9:40; Sun. (12:30, 3:15) 7:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:25) 7:05; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:45, 3:10) 5:30, 7:45, 9:55; Sun. (12:45, 3:10) 5:30, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:15, 5:30) 7:45; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (G) Fri.-Sat. (12:25, 3:00) 7:00, 9:35; Sun. (12:25, 3:00) 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:45) 7:00; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Sat. 7:35; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:40) 5:00, 7:20, 9:50; Sun. (12:15, 2:40) 5:00, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:10, 5:20) 7:35; Vanity Fair (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20) 4:10, 7:10, 10:10; Sun. (12:20) 4:10, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:35) 7:30; **Without a** Paddle (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:05) 5:20, 7:40, 10:00; Sun. (12:50, 3:05) 5:20, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:30, 5:45) 8:00

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

Cellular (PG-13) Fri. (11:55, 4:50) 10:10; Sat. (5:25) 10:10; Sun.-Thu. (11:55, 4:50) 10:10; First Daughter (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:20, 4:55) 7:40, 10:20; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 12:40, 2:15, 3:00, 4:45, 5:30) 7:10, 7:55, 9:45, 10:15; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri. (2:20) 7:25; Sat. (3:00) 7:45; Sun.-Thu. (2:20) 7:25; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:15, 2:00, 4:15, 5:00) 7:15, 8:00, 10:15, 10:45; Mr. 3000 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:40, 5:10) 7:45, 10:20; Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:05, 5:25) 7:50, 10:25; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:10, 4:35) 7:05, 9:40; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Sat. (1:00); **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00, 10:30; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:35, 5:15) 7:55, 10:40; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:25, 5:05) 7:35, 10:05; Without a Paddle (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:45, 5:20) 7:50, 10:25

SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447) Shark Tale; Ladder 49; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow; Mr. 3000

SOUTH BAY

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 (2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00: Cellular (PG-13) Fri.-Thu, 10:45 (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; **First Daughter** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00 (1:15, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:15, 10:15; **Mr**. **3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00, 11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30; **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) Shark Tale; Ladder 49; First Daughter; The Forgotten; Shaun of the Dead; Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow; Mr. 3000; Wimbledon; Resident Evil: Apocalypse; Cellular; Paparazzi; Anacondas: The Hunt for the Blood Orchid; Hero; Superbabies: Baby Geniuses 2; Exorcist: The Beginning; Without a Paddle; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement; Collateral; The Bourne Supremacy; Napoleon Dynamite

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street (619-216-4707) Cellular (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:05, 4:15) 7:45, 10:20; **First Daughter** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:40) 7:00, 9:50; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:35, 2:30, 3:45, 4:55) 6:55. 7:30, 9:35, 10:25; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri. (12:25, 3:50) 7:15, 10:00; Sat. (12:25, 3:50) 10:00; Sun.-Thu. (12:25, 3:50) 7:15, 10:00; Ladder 49 (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 12:55, 3:25, 4:35) 7:10, 7:40, 10:00, 10:30; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 3:55) 7:35, 10:20; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 4:30) 7:50, 10:10; Resident Evil: Apocalypse (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 4:20) 8:00, 10:30; Shall We Dance? (PG-13) Sat. 7:25; Shark Tale (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:30, 3:30, 4:00, 4:55) 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 9:00, 9:30, 9:55; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 4:25) 7:25, 10:10; **Vanity Fair** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 3:35) 7:05, 10:15; Wimbledon (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:30)

226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436) I, Robot; The Notebook; The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement

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 Mt. Rd. (858-674-6164) First Daughter (PG) Fri. (12:00, 2:20) 4:40, 7:05, 9:30; Sat. (11:50, 2:15) 4:40, 7:20, 9:55; Sun. (11:50, 2:15) 4:35, 7:00, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:20, 4:35) 7:00, 9:20; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri. (12:30, 2:30) 4:50, 7:05, 9:20; Sat. (11:20, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:15; Sun. (11:20, 1:25, 3:30) 5:35, 7:35, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:25, 2:25, 4:20) 6:30, 9:05; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri. (12:20, 3:00) 5:20, 7:40, 10:00; Sat. (11:45, 2:05) 4:25, 9:45; Sun. (11:45, 2:05) 4:25, 6:45, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:15, 4:30) 6:45, 9:00; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri. (12:15, 1:30, 2:50) 4:40, 5:25, 7:15, 8:00, 9:50, 10:35; Sat. (11:15, 12:00, 1:50, 2:35) 4:25, 5:10, 7:00, 7:45, 9:35, 10:20; Sun. (11:15, 12:00, 1:50, 2:35) 4:25, 5:10, 7:00, 7:45, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:20, 2:25, 3:50, 4:50) 6:20, 7:15, 8:50, 9:40; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri. (12:25, 3:25) 5:45, 8:05, 10:25; Sat. (11:30, 1:55) 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Sun. (11:30, 1:55) 4:30, 7:05, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:40, 4:50) 7:05, 9:30; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri. (12:45, 3:05) 5:10, 7:20, 9:35; Sat. (11:15, 1:25, 3:35) 5:45, 7:55, 10:10; Sun. (11:15, 1:20, 3:25) 5:30, 7:35, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 1:55,

the screenplay with director Edgar Wright. (DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VAL-LEY 20: OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARKWAY PLAZA 18: SAN MARCOS 18)

Silver City — Reviewed this issue. With Danny Huston, Maria Bello, Chris Cooper, Richard Dreyfuss, and Daryl Hannah; written and directed by John Sayles.

(HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Sky Captain and the World of Tomor-

row — 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.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN: CHULA VISTA 10: CIN-ERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT

CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIS-SION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16: PALM PROMENADE 24: PARK WAY PLAZA 18: POWAY 10: RANCHO DEL REY 16: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15: SAN MARCOS 18: SAN-TEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, and **Spring** — Time goes by for a Buddhist monk and his lone pupil on a floating sanctuary in a Korean lake. Slow, schematic, didactic, visually detailed, dramatically

stunted. Kim Ki-Duk writes, directs, and stars. 2003.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 10/4, 6:30 P.M.)

Thérèse — Leonardo Defilippis's biographical film on the 19th-century saint, Thérèse of Lisieux, played by Lindsay Younce.

(HORTON PLAZA 14: MIRA MESA 18: FROM 10/1)

Vanity Fair — Not, please be advised, a throbbing exposé of life at a trendy New York monthly, but just the latest screen

3:50, 5:45) 7:40, 9:40; Shall We Dance? (PG-13) Sat. 7:30; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri. (12:00, 12:45, 1:30, 2:15, 3:00, 3:45) 4:30, 5:15, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 8:15, 9:00, 9:45, 10:30; Sat. (11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30) 4:15, 5:00, 5:45, 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 8:45, 9:30, 10:15; Sun. (11:00, 11:45, 12:30, 1:15, 2:00, 2:45, 3:30) 4:15, 5:00, 5:45, 6:30, 7:15, 8:00, 8:45, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 12:45, 1:30, 2:15, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 5:55) 6:45, 7:30, 8:15, 9:00, 9:35; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri. (12:10, 2:45) 5:05, 7:30, 10:10; Sat. (11:10, 1:35, 3:55) 7:45, 10:20; Sun. (11:10, 1:30, 3:50) 6:50, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:20, 4:35) 6:50, 9:15; **Wimbledon** (PG-13) Fri. (12:15, 2:35) 4:55, 7:10, 9:30; Sat. (11:10, 1:40, 3:55) 7:25, 9:50; Sun. (11:10, 1:40, 3:55) 6:30, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:30, 4:40) 6:50, 9:05

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16

350 W. Vallev Parkway (760-291-0119) Call theater for program information

FALLBROOK

Galaxy 6

Mission Road (760-945-8784) First Daughter (PG) Fri. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Tue. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Wed. 10:00, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **The Forgotten** (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sun. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 3:00, 5:15, 7:45; Ladder **49** (PG-13) Fri. 2:00 (4:30) 7:30, 10:15; Sat. 11:00 (2:00, 4:30) 7:30, 10:15; Sun, 11:00 (2:00, 4:30) 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:00 (4:30) 7:30; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri. 2:30 (3:45, 4:45) 6:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30; Sat. 10:00 (11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45) 6:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30; Sun. 10:00 (11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45) 6:00, 7:00, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:30 (3:45, 4:45) 6:00, 7:00, 8:15; **Sky Captain and the World of** Tomorrow (PG) Fri. 2:15 (4:45) 7:15, 9:45; at. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:15 (4:45) 7:15

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423) Cellular (PG-13) Fri. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30; **First** Daughter (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00: Napoleon Dynamite (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Sat. 7:30; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00, 11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00, 11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) 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; Wim**bledon** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45

RAMONA

626 Main Street (760-789-3422) Call theater for program information

SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

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9:55; Hero (PG-13) Fri. (5:05) 7:45, 10:30; Sat. (5:05) 10:30; Sun.-Thu. (5:05) 7:45, 10:30; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 12:00 2:15, 3:00, 5:15) 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; Mr. **3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:35, 5:00) 7:25, 9:50; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:40, 5:10) 7:45, 10:20; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:20, 4:45) 7:15, 10:00; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Sat. 7:45; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:55, 11:30, 12:00, 1:30, 2:00, 2:30, 4:00, 4:30, 5:00) 7:00, 7:30, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00: Shaun of the Dead (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:40, 5:10) 7:50, 10:25; Sky Captain and the World of **Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:20, 5:05) 7:40, 10:15; **Wimbledon** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 4:40) 9:45; **Without a Paddle** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:25, 4:55) 7:35, 10:10

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9:35; Sun. 11:15, 1:45, 4:25, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:35; Shark Tale (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:45, 12:45, 2:55, 5:00, 7:10, 9:15; Sun. 10:45, 12:45, 2:55, 5:00, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. 12:45, 2:45, 4:50, 7:00, 9:05

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Del Mar Highlands 8

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(PG-13) Sat. 8:00; Shark Tale (PG) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15, 9:15, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. 10:00, 11:15, 12:15, 1:30, 2:30, 3:45, 4:45, 6:00, 7:00, 8:15; Shaun of the Dead (R) Fri. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45,

Flower Hill 4

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220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544) Shark Tale: Ladder 49: First Daughter: Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow; Mr. 3000; Wimbledon; Hero; The Bourne

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OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13

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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 Bhubaneshwar-born 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; GASLAMP 15; GROSS-MONT TROLLEY; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

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,



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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.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CEN-TER: HORTON PLAZA 14: LA COSTA 6: LA JOLLA 12: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROME NADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RAN-CHO DEL REY 16: RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15: SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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.

• (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSS-MONT CENTER: MIRA MESA 18: MISSION VALLEY 20: PALM PROMENADE 24)

The Yes Men — Documentarians Dan

Ollman, Sarah Price, and Chris Smith chronicle the pranks of two anti-corporate

(HILLCREST CINEMAS FROM 10/1)

Zatoichi — Takeshi Kitano's resuscitation of the sightless samurai from the long-running 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-afireplug 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 momentum-killing 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)

mantic triangle, notwithstanding the amount of locomotion. Twice a week, the titular Zhou Yu, a painter on porcelain, rides the rails to her poet lover, Chen Ching, and en route meets Zhang Jiang, a feet-on-the-ground veterinarian. The film signals a return to action for Gong Li, or anyway a return to American screens, after

Zhou Yu's Train — Torpid, stagnant ro-

an absence of some four or five years, still without benefit of her von Sternberg, her Svengali, Zhang Yimou. The current substitute, Sun Zhou, is so intent on flattering his star that he falls back with embarrassing frequency on slow-motion. The objection to this is not that Gong Li doesn't deserve it, but that she doesn't need it. With Tony

Leung Ka-fai and Honglei Sun. 2002. • (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 10/1)



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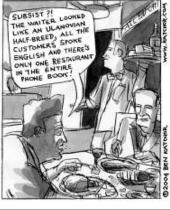












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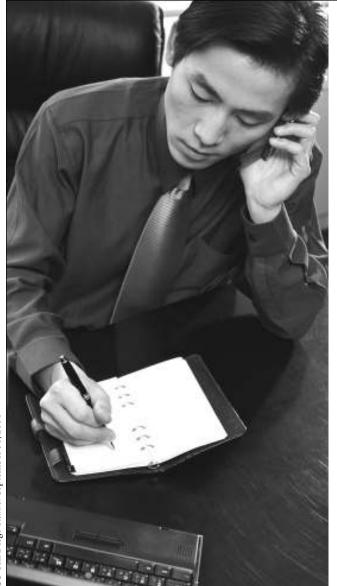
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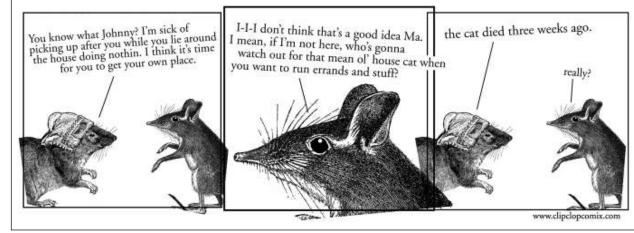
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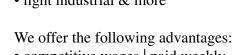
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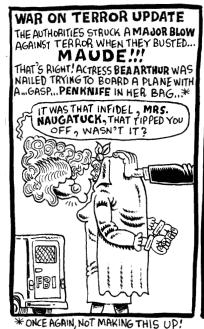
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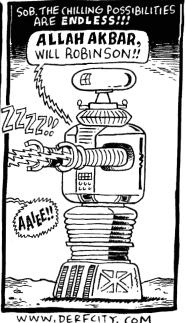


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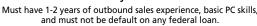
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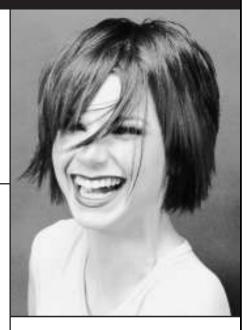
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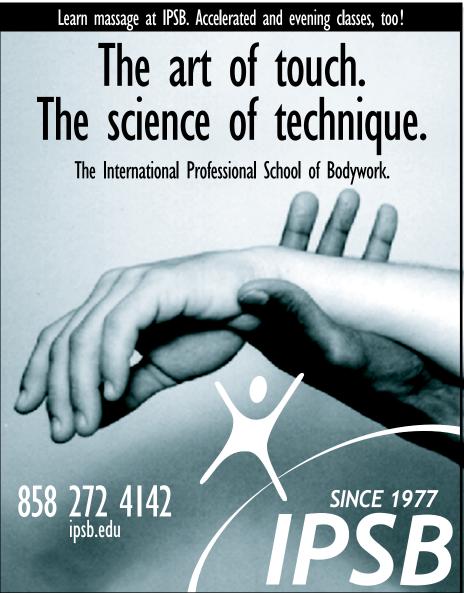
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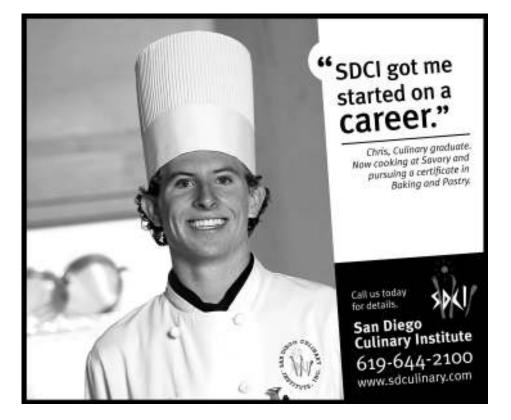
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- 56. Classic 1959 jazz album by 17-Across (or an apt clue for 26-, 32-, 41- and 47-Across and 5and 45-Down)
- 62. Lupino and Tarbell
- 63. Deed holder
- __ extra cost
- 65. Clinton cabinet member Federico
- 66. "Alas!"
- 67. Suffix with cyclo-

Down

- 1. Cattrall of "Sex and the City" "Either you say it _
- 3. Ger. neighbor
- 4. Suffix with Siam and Vietnam 5. Duke Ellington's "Mood
- 6. It may begin with grace
- 7. Not exactly the Ritz 8. Pasta suffix
- 9. Where afterthoughts are written: Abbr.
- 10. Bewails
- 11. Common prayer opener

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- 12. Trumpet sound
- Lascivious deity
- 18. Polish partner
- 21. Living thing22. Opposite of vote down

- 23. Vowel quintet
- 24. Not as prevalent 25. Like ironic humor
- "Steal This Book" author Hoffman
- 28. In love with oneself Mikhail's wife
- 33. Doesn't nix
- 34. Julio's January
- 35. Charles who wrote about bridge
- 36. Fortifies
- 38. Women with nieces 39. Centers of activity
- "What's new?"
- 43. Truck unit
- 45. Where Clinton studied as a Rhodes Scholar
- 46. Word after tone or stone 47. Program blocker
- 48. Get around
- 49. Hurler Ryan
- 50. Ex-Senator Sam and others
- 54. Greek theater
- 56. Ring finishes
- 57. ____ Jima 58. Hit maker?
- 59. P.O. delivery 60. Game with Skip and Reverse cards
- 61. Long period

RULES OF THE GAME

- 1. The prize for solving the Reader Puzzle will be a Reader T-shirt.
- 2. All entries in the Reader Puzzle contest must be received by the Reader by 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, five days following the issue date (Fax to 619-231-0489 or U.S. Mail to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803).
- 3. All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- 4. Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.
- 5. In the event of disputes or ties decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We've only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners,
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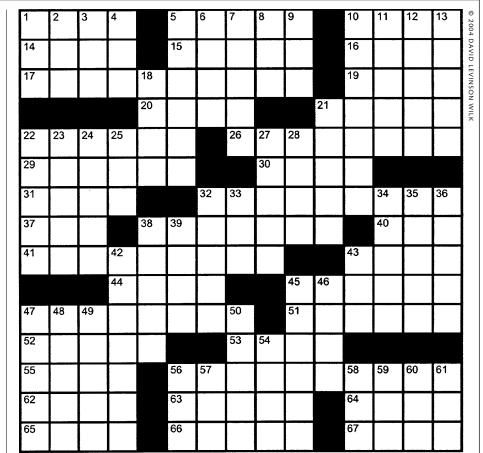
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- 2. Tom Somich, San Diego3. Marilyn Contreras, Lemon Grove
- 4. Jack Simpson, San Diego
- 5. Ingrid Mijangas, Vista

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ASIAN BEAUTY LOVES LIFE, happy sweet. Like reading, traveling. Want to meet a white gentleman with no baggage, nonsmoker/drugs, age is unimportant, attitude counts. (10/13)

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LOVER/BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus-size brunette. Very loving and sincere, nonsmoker. Seeking romance, relationship later a plus. Let's go for it big boy! (10/6) □ 30397

EUROPEAN-BORN and educated female, late 50s (looks 40s), attractive, active. Seeking successful, degreed professional male, 55-75, for social activities, travel, possible long-term relationship. (10/6) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 30412

LA MESA WOMAN, African-American beauty, 47, still got it going on. Enjoys R&B, old school, movies, concerts, theaters, karaoke, dining out, walks, good conversation. (10/13) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 30438

ONLY THE LONELY. 31 years, plus size, attractive, white, single moth seeks white male, 25-45, loving, ca ing, no games a must. Ready for se ous relationship. (10/13) 🕿 30433

ATTRACTIVE, SEXY, physically fit, 40, educated, fun loving, energetic. Seeking 35-50, open minded, kind, outgoing, sincere, secure, funny, intelligent, well groomed. North County only. (10/13) **\$\Delta\$** 30425

only. (10/13) \$\overline{\Overline{\

NATURAL, very loving, affectionate, caring, white woman loves to cook, enjoys anything outdoors. Looking for white man, 35-50 for long-term relationship. (10/6) \$\alpha\$ 30402

LIVING TO LOVE! Looking for friend-ship, communication, commitment, laughter, honesty and love. Does that exist anymore in this world? I'm hope-ful? Are you out there? (10/13)

SUNNY SAGITTARIAN, 5'7", slim, mid-60s, blonde/green, attractive, active, smiles easily and often, commitment-minded. Seeks nonsmoking gentleman, 60+ with strong character and warm heart. (10/13) \$\textit{\alpha}\$ 30441

SINGLE, UNPRETENTIOUS, bright honest spiritual, 57, 5'3", Hispanic single, UNPRETERMING, honest spiritual, 57, 5'3", Hispanic, employed. Seeking same, attractive male, 40-60, no pathology, no addictions. for dating. (10/13) 3 30439

tions, for dating. (10/13) \$\overline{a}\$ 30439 **CHRISTIAN PRINCESS**, traditional values, pretty blond/blue, retired fashion beauty counselor seeks congenial gentleman. Enjoys healthy lifestyle, cruises, swimming, gardening, British background. (10/13) \$\overline{a}\$ 30419

BIG BROWN EYES, BEAUTIFUL smile very attractive, 46, looks 36. Seeking professional, nice guy, very fit, financially secure to spoil and make me laugh. (10/6) \$\overline{\alpha}\$ 30399

STOP HERE, LOOK NO MORE. You 60+. Call this affectionate lady of color from Central America. Great sense of humor. Let's meet for coffee. (10/6) \$\infty\$ 30406

fee. (10/6) \$\infty\$ 30406

NORTH COUNTY MAN, 38-52, sought by shapely, educated, professional brunette, 38, for long-term relationship. Seeking educated, cultured homeowner. No blue collars please. (10/13) \$\infty\$ 30435

please. (10/13) 3 30435
SASSY, GREGARIOUS, energetic, assertive blonde, 47. Seeking young, handsome, prosperous, smart, confident, funny, adventurous, outgoing, fun, attentive, ambitious, eager-to-

please gentleman. No couch potatoes. (10/6) 🕿 30404

HISPANIC, 46 YEARS, honest, sense of humor, easy to get along with. Enjoy jazz, arts, semi-retired. (10/13)

WILD WOMAN NEEDS wild man for wild times. I'm 57, buxomy, you're 45-65, a teddy bear, honest and sense of humor. (10/13) \$\alpha\$ 30430

STABLE, FRIENDLY, WARM- hearted Latina, 40, 5'5", medium built. Enjoy movies, dancing, reading, cultures. Looking for serious relationship, friends first, with 40-55 male, same qualities. (10/13) \$\overline{a}\$ 30424

CHARISMATIC, ATTRACTIVE, sensu ous, spiritual, energetic, easygoing, passionate, romantic, fun, loving, adventurous, classy, successful, positive, artistic, empathetic, European lady. Seeking accomplished, tall, dashing soul mate, 43-55. (10/6) 30414

BEAUTIFUL BLONDE, 5'8", dynamite figure, bikini looks. Seeking single white male, 40-50 years, 5'10", 6'4", financially secure, homeowner preferred for dates, fun, dancing and ro-mance. (10/6) \$\frac{10}{2}\$ 30410

ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, 47, seeks gentleman for fun, friendship, dating and possible long-term relationship. Desires sense of humor, varied interests, honesty, nonsmoker. North County. (10/6) \$\frac{10}{20}\$ 30400

LOURLY TO LOOK AT, delightful to hold, healthy, active and bold, loves dancing, laughing and kissing. Can you start my heart hissing, 58-68 years young? (10/6) \$\mathbf{\Pi}\$ 30405

ATTRACTIVE, CAUCASIAN single mom, 39, size 18. Looking for that one special guy who has values and honesty. I'm looking for long term, no casual. (10/13) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 30428

ARE YOU A KISSABLE, huggable gentleman, who is 58+, tall, adventurous, fun loving, unencumbered, plenty of time to play? Good looking

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lady awaits your call. (10/13)

BEAUTIFUL DAYS AHEAD. Mature Caucasian woman, enjoys walks, day trips, outdoors. Eager to meet tall Caucasian male, healthy, 70s, nonsmoker, for possible long-term relationship. (10/13) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 30432

tionsnip. (10/13) 23/30432
ATTRACTIVE, FUN AND FIT Asian female, 30s, 5'3", 125lbs. Seeking welleducated, loving, supportive, sincere man for lasting relationship. Enjoy sports, hiking, ski, tennis, sailing. (10/6) 23/30401

Ing. (10/6) \$\alpha\$ 30401

AVERAGE LADY, \$2, wants to meet an average man. I live in Pacific Beach. My interests are pie, ice cream, creative writing, mental health, photography. (10/13)

SMART, COMMUNICATIVE, cute, sensitive, single female, seeks great guy for serious dating. I enjoy discus-sions, the social sciences, health-music, laughter, and great, sincere relationships. (10/13) 🛣 30434

BEAUTIFUL BRUNETTE with great sense of humor is one of my nicest traits. I'm optimistic and high spirited. Seeking gentleman, 50-60, trustworthy, loyal, and kind. (10/13) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 30429

WHITE FEMALE, 41, 5'5". 125lbs. brown hair, blue eyes. Seeking at tractive, sincere man up to age 55 for a quality, meaningful and fun relationship. (10/6) ☎ 30409

BRITISH, YOUNG-LOOKING senior semi-retired, looking for my silver fox! You: sense of humor, love animals, affectionate, enjoys = affectionate, enjoys shows, country drives, reading, music, dining. (10/13) 🕿 30436

ing. (10/13) \$\infty\$ 30436

SENSUAL, ATTRACTIVE, loving, youthful lady, 5'6", trim, athletic, enjoys outdoors. Seeking tall, healthy male, 55-65, wanting to blend our many nice qualities for lasting relationship. (10/6) \$\infty\$ 30411

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MATCHES

MEN SEEKING WOMEN

HANDSOME, SEXY, SUCCESSFUL executive, bu, trim, 5 10°, blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (10/6) \$\alpha\$ 30932

YOUNG RETIREE, 52, white, 5'11" 175lbs. Humorous, affectionate, considerate, responsible, attractive. Enjoy conversation, movies, reading, cultural events, family, friends. You are slimmedium, 40-55. (10/6) ☎30945

47 YEARS YOUNG, white male, 5'8". 185lbs., wants to warm your heart. Seeking woman, 40-50, that wants closeness, warmth. Possible long-term relationship. East County. (10/13)

UPSCALE REMODEL HOME contraction ambitious comfortable UPSCALE REMODEL HOME contractor, 44, fit, ambitious, comfortable lifestyle. Baby got back. Shortish, 32-42, pretty, pleasant personality, career, affectionate, cooking, gardening, kind, caring, quality love. (10/13) 27-309/3

GENTLEMAN SEEKS LADY. Romantic adventurous, nice looking, youthful, Caucasian, divorced male, 66, 5'9", slender, financially/emotionally secure. Seeking 50-68 Caucasian lady to share nice lifestyle. (10/13) \$\alpha\$3052

intelligent, very affectionate, critical thinker, low-income, polite, respectful, loves cuddling, hugging, holding hands. Seeks intelligent, educated sin-gle woman. (10/6) \$\infty\$ 30942

J'M LOOKING FOR a girlfriend, or a friend. I'm 56, 5'3", 145lbs., good looking. I love music, walking, fun at home. La Mesa area please. (10/13) 233014

REFORMED BAD BOY who still loves life without the drama. 48 years young and buffed. You like to ride motorcycles and listen to live music. (10/13)

HANDSOME, TALL, 40, white, loves outdoors, movies, beaches, romantic dinners. Seeking fun loving, 35-45, same interests, sensuous sweetheart, possible long lasting relationship. Let's experience romance. (10/13)

59 AND LOOKING FINE! Attractive 5'8", medium build, varied interests and tastes in music, dance, food, movies. Seeking affectionate, attractive, woman, under 55. Nonsmoker. (10/13) \$\alpha\$33000

WHERE IS MY NANCY FRIDAY? Think alike, your fantasy answered. Me: tall, young senior. You: 30-65, any race, South Bay. Please hurry! (10/6)

EXECUTIVE, ENGINEER, MBA, 41, 6'3", 175lbs., slim, fit, well dressed, handsome Spanish descendant with accent, manners, personality. Please be slim, fit, attractive, small child welcome. (10/6) \$\alpha\$ 30949

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COUNTRY WOMAN WANTED. Must be romantic, like hugs, gardening, dogs. Serious relationship. Myself: 61. Let's end lonely holidays. East County only. Race unimportant. (10/13) \$\infty\$ 30996

VANILLA DESIRES CHOCOLATE for

dining out, movies, dancing. Must be 45-65 years old and active. (10/6) SUCCESSFUL WHITE MALE seeks

happily ever after with intelligent, fit, attractive lady, 30s-40s. I'm positive, supportive, affectionate, blue eyes, muscular, well dressed, Catholic, conservative. (10/6) \$\alpha\$ 30953 servative. (10/o) A 00000 AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC, monoga-''''coold African-American and

mous, biracial African-American and white, 65, 6'4", 220lbs., financially secure. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home dancing, travel, fun, more. (10/6 🕿 30960

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE sought by single black male, handsome, degreed, athletic, Taurus, for long-term committed relationship. (10/13) 33987

BLACK MAN LOOKING for single woman. White or black or Asian. (10/13) ☎ 30991 42, HARD BODY, ROUNDED mind, fi-

nancially square, spiritually balanced, green eyes, brown curly hair, 5'10", animated personality, loves cats and dogs! Life sponge! (10/6) LIVING FOSSIL, 55. Tall, slender.

billing FOSSIL, 55. Iall, slender, bald. Kind, sensual, spiritual interests, with wild side. Pisces, introverted, intuitive, seeks unconventional Venus Vegetarian, drinker. Stable, low income, healthy. (10/13) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 33049

48, 5'2", RED/BLUE, single. Seeking Hispanic, Filipino lady for friendship. Enjoy jazz, rock/metal, football, animals. Prefer 34-48, single, no children, light drinker, nonsmoker. (10/6) \$30939

HANDSOME, FUN, WHITE, 37, seeks attractive white female, 24-32, with any combination of Buddhist, hedonist, bohemian, yoga, massage, environmentalist, artist, Wicca, spiritual, for fun, enlightenment. (10/13)

YOUTHFUL 60s, RETIRED, affectionate, active, nonsmoker, Rancho Bernardo. Seeking attractive North County lady for mutual attraction. En-joy travel, dancing, movies. Fun and romance. (10/6) \$\frac{1}{\infty}\$ 30965

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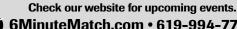
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SOPHISTICATED GENTLEMAN. wellsophisticated gentleman, well-bred, excellent friend/companion/ lover. Good appearance, impeccable manners, considerate human being, seeks attractive lady with class, refine-ment, independent, possible serious relationship. (10/13) ☎ 30998

BLACK MALE, 42, looking for full-figured Mexican or Hispanic woman for talks, beach walking, honesty, dancing, speaks English, long-term relationship, age between 31-55. (10/13) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 30974

QUIET TIME. Sincere, fun loving, 43, tall, dark and handsome Christian man. Looking for fun loving gal to spend the rest of my life with. (10/13)

QUESTING KNIGHT SEEKS you, lady of passion, petite, cute, serious minded for relationship. Me: sincere, funny, artistic, stable, office occupation, 147lbs., loyal, desires thee. (10/13)

■ 33009

858, CAUCASIAN gentleman, 55, 5'9", nice body, hazel eyes, well groomed, romantic. Wants white, 5'5"+, slim, vivacious, romantic, personality is important and meeting halfway. (10/6) ■ 30936

JEWISH, FIT, SINCERE, enjoy jogging, nature, hikes, travel, good communica-tion. Seeking sincere, upbeat, intelli-gent woman, 20s-30s, for friendship and beyond. Happy New Year! (10/6)

☆ 30966

AFFECTIONATE, ATHLETIC, handsome, 160lbs., 35 years, fun, educated, employed, conversationalist, financially stable, nice. Seeking simple woman, nondrinker, nonsmoker, drug free, open-minded for dating, relationship. (10/13) ☆ 30979

KINDNESS COUNTS. Strong, kind man, 51, 6'2", trim, employed. Seeking very female woman, 40s-50s, to protect and spoil. You'll like the respect and warmth. (10/6) ☎ 30964

55-YEAR-OLD MALE, 5'10", 175lbs., nonsmoker. Seeking lady for sharing intimate times, plus going to dinner, movies, conversation. I'm from South Bay. (10/6) ☎ 30941

DASHING-LOOKING, tall, healthy widower, homeowner, retired, financially secure, business owner seeks slim shapely, vivacious, voluptuous, attractive girlfriend, 50-65. Dates, fun, romance, dancing, good times. (10/6) \$\tilde{3}\$30951

OUTDOORSY FEMININE LADY needed. Cure my all work, no play blues. Me: 45, act 25, 5'8', 165lbs., honest, reliable, casual. You: one-man woman, nonsmoker. (10/13) ☎ 30970

SMOOTH JAZZ, CLASSIC rock, tennis, golf, NFL, NBA, nice walks, road trips, good food, fun, conversation, emotional health, spiritual growth, 48. Won't you join me? (10/6) \$\textit{\textit{\textit{MON't you join me?}}} (10/6)\$

won't you join me? (10/6) \$\overline{\Pi}\$ 30959

50 YEARS YOUNG, easygoing, freespirited white male, 5'10", 200lbs.,
nice to be around, short gray hair with
full trim gray beard. Oceanside
area. (10/6) \$\overline{\Pi}\$ 30933

ASIAN LADY REQUESTED by Caucasian gentleman. You are honest, bright, slim, sensual, happy, fun, jazz lover, sense of humor, interesting, curi-ous, classical music fan. Ciao. (10/13)

NORTH COUNTY, MUSCULAR build, hair, 6'1", 1951bs., 56, homeowner, artist, liberal, surfer, financially stable, travel junkie, vegetarian. Into health, music, art, anything creative. Seeking thin, pretty lady into the same. (10/6)

OCEANSIDE, 52, outgoing, adventur-ous, humorous, honest, Seeking North County woman for dating, day trips, weekend travel, theater, must have integrity, honesty, spontaneous, compassionate, nonsmoker. (10/13)

SENSE OF HUMOR, spiritual, playful, open minded, intelligent, 51, open minded, intelligent, 51, blue/gray, 170lbs. Enjoy coffeehouses, rock music, nature, movies, books, stimulating conversation. Seeking friendship, relationship. (10/6) \$\tilde{3}\$30940

COLORFUL GREEN/BLUE eyes, affectionate, attractive, unencumbered, family oriented, German-Irish, degreed professional, 40, 6'1", 215lbs. Seeking attractive white female, 22-34, pos-

sessing inner/outer beauty. (10/6)

OUTDOORSY, ATHLETIC, Caucasian, 44, educated, communicative, speaks French, Spanish. Enjoy camping, histing, motorcycles, ethnic foods. Seking 25-40, slim, athletic, affectionate, confident, educated, risk taker, adventure. (10/13) ☎ 30989

HIPPIE GIRL WANTED, 30-45. Fun, tall guy, easygoing, music, nature lover, dance, creative, passionate, understanding, good communication, peace, travel, learning, comedy, happiness. (10/13) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 30995

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SURFING, BLADING, tennis, restaurants, moving, theater rants, movies, theater, music, 37, 5'11", North County coastal. We're physically fit, have time to date, enjoy outdoors, quiet evenings at home. (10/13) \$\mathbf{2}\$ 33015

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RELATIONSHIPS CAN BE los of funl Latin, 37, 5'11", 1661bs., normal and humorous. Seeking a real woman that enjoys life, travel, adventure, romance and intimacy. (10/6) \$\overline{\overl

pasta. (10/13) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 33003

WIDOWER LOOKING TO HAVE another good relationship. Talking, cuddling, holding hands, dancing, beach walks, dining out, more talking. Nonsmoking, woman between 60-75. (10/13) \$\tilde{\alpha}\$ 30993

PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN, 6'1", 165lbs., 52, handsome, red/blue, en-trepreneur, swing dancer, bicycle racer, nonsmoker/drinker/drugs, child free, actor, artist, Parlez Francais. Seeking chemistry/connection. (10/13)

30969

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INTROSPECTIVE? Uncommon teacher, 53, seeks friend, 25-40, who values tenderness, authenticity and intelligence. Passion for holistic health, yoga, theatre, social justice and sincere communication. (10/13) ↑ 33001

SINGLE BLACK MALE looking for that special woman to make me complete. 43, handsome teddy bear. (10/13) \$\infty\$ 30982

TALL, ATHLETIC professional, 43, 6'1", brown/blue, healthy lifestyle. Seeking thick, athletic lady, 34-48, for biking, tennis, hiking, etc. Thick legs a plus! (10/6) 30954

LOOKING FOR ASIAN young lady. Busy professional male. I have no time to hang out in bars. For friendship, dating, exciting things, possibly more. (10/13) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$30977

GOOD-LOOKING, SMART, stable, successful, unencumbered, nice guy, aproximately 6', 180lbs., 46. Seeking slender, single, highly educated, nurturing beauty, 30-43, for balanced, long-term relationship. (10/13) \$\tilde{2}\$ 30976

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FULL BODIED WHITE FEMALE wanted by attractive black male. If you seek love, passion, home in the mountains and permanent one-on-one relationship, call. (10/13) T3.3046

WAYNE DYER, Shirley MacLaine, Marianne Williamson, Dan Millman, Richard Bach, Carolyn Myss. Seeking like-minded female to share time with on the metaphysical spriftual jouron the metaphysical spiritual jour-ney. (10/13) \$\oldsymbol{\alpha}\$33047

HANDSOME, BLOND, 51, 5'10" 180lbs., I own a house, you own a house. Let's rent them out, buy a bigger house, live happily ever after. (10/6) ☎ 30952

SOUTHERN MAN, GENTLE TOUCH, easy manners, lusty heart, very young 60, seeks romantic, sensual belle with enthusiams to share the good life. Prefer North County. (10/13) \$\alpha\$ 33005

THE TRUTH? All I want is to be a good man for a good woman. I'm mid-50s and enjoy cooking, movies, and your interests. (10/6) \$\overline{a}\$ 30934

EXECUTIVE, 56, SECURE, fit, non-smoker. Enjoy novels, wine, golf, tennis, foreign movies. Looking for

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Last week's place: Mountains of salt at 1470 Bay Boulevard, Chula Vista. Western Salt runs the last naturally sun-evaporated salt pans in the West, at the shallow southern end of San Diego Bay. The salt water comes from the ocean (not the bay) via pipes beneath the Silver Strand. (Last week's winners: Eugene A. Wegener, Alfred Alvarez, John A. Plough, David Ramm)

Q: Monsieur Eiffel visits country?

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evening fun, companionship, or more. (10/13) 🕿 30983

more. (10/13) \$\infty\$ 30983

I'M LOOKING FOR YOU, not. Me:
handsome, strong gentleman, Steve
Austin type. You: pretty, open
minded, 30-50. Let's explore the
world together! North County. (10/13)
\$\infty\$ 30972

BLACK MALE, 40, good looking, toned, sensitive but bravehearted, likable, thoughtful, childless, employed. Seeking sweetie pie, 30-45, white female, looks not important. (10/13) \$\alpha\$ 30994

TALL. ROMANTIC. ROGUISH tenor with a sort of macho attitude, seeks sensuous 40-something woman. A published writer, and opera singer. Let's start some fires! (10/13)

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REAL WOMAN WANTED. Fun, travel itness, humor, communication, stability. No smoking, excessive drinking, drugs, baggage or pessimism. Seeking future, possible marriage/family fitness/security. (10/13) \$\frac{13}{2}\$30986

BOYISH GOOD LOOKS. 6'2", eyes BOYISH GOOD LOOKS. 6'2", eyes blue, slim, athletic, college educated, professional. Enjoys surfing, sailing, travel, conversation, family, friends, music, kids. Seeking slim, 35+, friends first. (10/13) 🗖 33051 SWEDISH PILOT, MODEL, 28, 6'3'

190lbs., very attractive, sexy and fit. All welcome. Very polite. (10/13)

I WOULD LIKE to meet a special Asian lady for a date. I myself enjoy boogie boarding, soccer, and football. I aslo teach preschool. (10/13)

SURFER, BLUE EYES, athletic, handsome, great job. Seeking female, athletic, sexy, down to earth, for fun in the sun, maybe more. Ages 25-36. Try me. (10/13) \$\alpha\$ 33011

RRAT LOOKING ITALIAN, 50, looks 40, great shape, very secured, nonsmoker. Seeking fit, nonsmoker, secured, loyal lady who will be first in my life. (10/6) 🛣 30948

RETIRED SCHOOL TEACHER? Sean

RETIRED SCHOOL TEACHER? Sean Connery look-alike seeking romantic, athletic, attractive, personable female to travel and explore new places while camping, hiking, biking and keyaking. (10/6) \$\overline{\Over

TIRED OF WORKING? Come see the world with me. Seeking 25-45 female for fun, romance, long-camping travel, backing, tropical islands. 50 countries so far! (10/13) \$\textit{\textit{T}} 30984

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YOUR CHARIOT ARRIVES. A strikingly tall, handsome prince brandishes his sizzling smile! Will you join him for the ride of your life, my princess? 30-40. (10/6) \$\overline{a}\$ 30955

princess? 30-40. (10/6) \$\infty\$ 30955

70, HEALTHY, ACTIVE, good natured, enjoy cruises, movies, car trips, outdoor, and retirement, La Mesa area. Looking for quality time with a nice lady. (10/13) \$\infty\$ 33007

GORGEOUS LATINO, slim, fit, 5'8", 50, fun, outgoing, college graduate. Seeks woman companion. (10/6) \$\infty\$ 30947

GOOD COMMUNICATOR, sensual, warm, intelligent, funny, responsible, accomplished. Also trim, toned, nice appearance, youthful, mid-50s. You: 37-47, nice figure, childless, North County. (10/6) \$\alpha\$ 30950 LOVER WANTED, TALL, handsome,

male, very young 60, sexy, passion-ate, divorced father. Seeking sexy, stylish, romantic, passionate woman,

intimate evenings, wine, candles, soft music, me. (10/6) \$\overline{\overline{\textit{3}}}\$ 30958

YOUTHFUL 75, LIMITED funds, share expenses. Movies, theatre, dining, dancing, conversation, bus trips, nonsmoker, healthy. Seeking same in East County area, shorts walks, sightseeing. (10/13) \$\overline{\overline{\textit{3}}}\$ 30971

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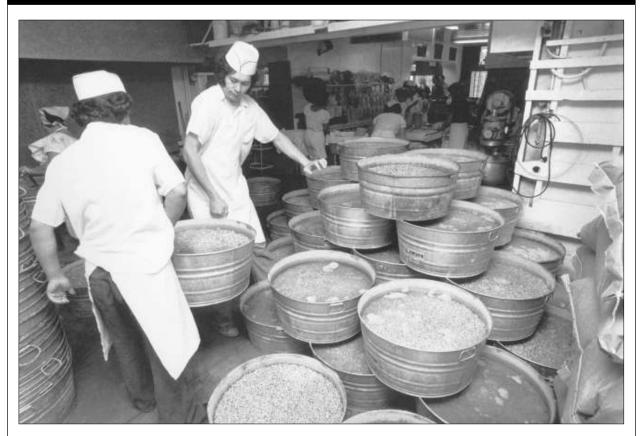
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Lauren Ballou Model

Pacific Beach

T'm not sure what trucks say about Ta person, but I'm a country girl, so pickup trucks are my favorite. I don't have anything against small cars, but I like that when there's a job that needs to be done, you'll more than likely need a truck. I'd hope that a guy could appreciate me for my Silver-ado. You have to be able to cowboy up to the bar and throw me over your shoulder, but only if you're not afraid to get your hands dirty...but I haven't met him yet.



 $J_{enn}\,W_{hite}$

Botanist

Ocean Beach

Ijust ordered a new Scion, and I don't have it yet, so I'm not sure what it says about me because I haven't gotten to spend any quality time with it. I was sold on the Scion when I saw the dual sun roofs. I had a Honda Civic, but I crashed it into some lady and it kind of went byebye after that. Between the Civic and the Scion, I think that the Scion says more about me because the

Civic sucked and wouldn't have any-

thing good to say about me.



 $Katy\,McMillin$

Restaurateur Pacific Beach

Idrive a Honda Civic, so I guess that makes me reliable and durable; I go the distance. I look for a guy who drives a reliable car, nothing too flashy; guys with yellow cars need not apply. If a guy shows up to my front door in a red Porsche like Jake Ryan in Sixteen Candles [when he picked up Molly Ringwald at the end], I think that I could suspend my rule about flashy cars.



 $Luis\ Estrada$

Architect Mission Hills

Tt says that I just graduated and I wanted to get a new car. I drive a 2004 Infinity 235, but I worked hard to be able to afford it. It really depends on where a person is in life and whether they care about cars. When I was in school, I had a 1996 Civic in need of a lot of work: it didn't have air bags, and I was driving with a broken windshield. I see the car that I have right now as a reward for working and going to school at the same time. I don't think there's anv car that I wouldn't be caught dead driving; it comes down to being able to get around.



Darren Dunne

Student

Serra Mesa

Idrive a Durango, so my car says that I'm adventurous. I'm not really sure how accurate that description is of my driving; so far, the most off-roading that I've done is pulling into a parking lot with cracks in the blacktop, or maybe a gravel parking lot. On second thought, I once had to pull over in the middle of a road trip to go to the bathroom on the side of the road. I don't really see myself as strictly a truck guy, but then again you won't be seeing me in a Ford Festiva or Pinto. The Durango inspires me to play hard, drive hard, and speak with a deep

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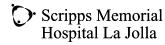
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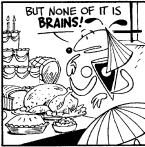








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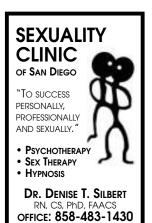
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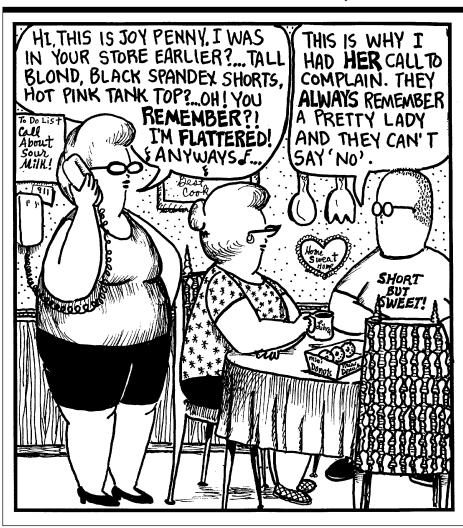
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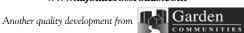
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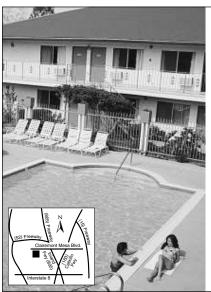
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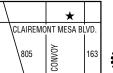
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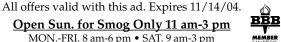
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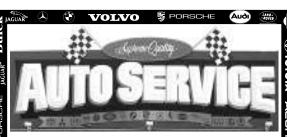
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 Two men and a woman, described in a Cape Times (Cape Town, South Africa) story as loan sharks, brought the corpse of Thozamile Patrick Apolis in a wheelchair into an FNB Provincial bank in June in an attempt to withdraw his pension (signing for it by "helping" Apolis move his hand across the paper), but a skeptical customer, who kept demanding that bank officials check for a pulse, scared off the three, who left the body behind.

Such a Thoughtful Son

 Going against the grain of recent court decisions, the federal appeals court in New York ruled in August that when a man died of "autoerotic asphyxiation" (normally, strangling oneself almost to the point of passing out as a way of enhancing pleasure during masturbation), it was an "accident" rather than a self-inflicted injury. Thus, mom Shirley Critchlow is entitled to death benefits under her son Michael's lifeinsurance policy.

The Classic Middle Name (all new)

- Arrested and charged with murder: David Wayne Mears (Ludington, Mich., June); Edward Wayne Bryant (Ardmore, Okla, arrested in Houston, August); Kenith Wayne Sherrill (Yakima, Wash., July); Chadwick Wayne Wallace (Alton, Ill., August); Timothy Wayne Johnson (Raleigh, N.C., September). Already serving a life sentence for murder but charged again: Alexander Wayne Watson Jr. (Maryland, convicted of a 1994 murder, but, based on DNA evidence, charged in July

with murders in 1986, 1988, and 1993). Already serving a life sentence for murder but convicted of murdering an inmate: Shannon Wayne Agofsky (Beaumont, Texas, July).

Unclear on the Concept

 According to a police report in Minnesota's Brainerd Dispatch in August, thieves broke into the First Integrity Bank on Excelsior Road in Baxter, Minn., but then used a hammer on a common wall in order to break into the adjacent Lakes Area Eyecare store and make off with numerous pairs of sunglasses.

- Federal district judge Thomas A. Higgins of Nashville, Tenn., had just ordered David Bowman, 41, back to prison for violating his probation (cocaine possession and other offenses), and he asked Bowman if he had anything to say. Instead of asking for leniency, Bowman recited the litany of inconveniences that lay ahead (e.g., crowded bus back to prison, various transfers from bus to bus on the way) and then asked if Judge Higgins would please personally drive him back to prison. To the prosecutor's suggestion that prison would give Bowman "a chance to think," Judge Higgins said, "I think part of the problem is that Mr. Bowman doesn't do as much thinking as maybe [we] would like him to."

Inexplicable

- New York City judge Laura Blackburne came under fire from the police in June when she helped Derek Sterling (described by police as a "convicted drug dealer" but in a rehab program) escape out a side door of her courtroom so that he could avoid a detective poised to arrest him for a May robbery. She said she was angry that the detective didn't clear the arrest with her in advance. Blackburne was already notorious for recently releasing a man charged with attempting to kill a police officer, ruling that he had not received a speedy trial.

— Cynthia Gorden filed a lawsuit in Chicago in May, asking a judge to prevent the airing of her appearance on the Judge Mathis television show. According to the lawsuit, Gorden (who went on the program to sue her mother) said it was the program staff's fault that she wound up embarrassing herself.

Least Competent Criminals

- The obviously inexperienced Bradley S.

Shugars, 21, was arrested and charged with robbing a Phillips 66 gas station in Avon, Ind., with his cousin, Karl D. Carnes. Police found Shugars in the getaway car, awaiting Carnes at another gas station, and quickly got a confession from Shugars, who started to cry. According to the arresting officer, Shugars lamented, "Everybody can rob you, but you can't rob nobody."

German filmmaker (Mr.) Rosa von Praunheim told reporters in July that he will finish by December his movie based on notorious convicted cannibal Armin Meiwes, who is serving eight years in prison following his January conviction for the apparently consensual murder and consumption of a man. "Your Heart in My Brain" (working title) was funded in part by a government film foundation in the German state of North Rhine-Westphalia and begins with Meiwes being confronted in prison by his victim's head, which, according to a Reuters report, encourages Meiwes to take pride in what he has done and to move on to more killing.

Almost All True

 Three of these four things happened recently. Are you cynical enough to figure out the madeup story? (a) A British couple who hadn't been able to break their two-pack-a-day cigarette habit gave it up when their pet parrot developed a respiratory illness. (b) A leading British museum announced an experiment to cover a substantial portion of its utility expenses by converting visitors' excrement from museum rest rooms into electricity. (c) A local Islamic extremist organization in France with ties to al-Oaeda filed several lawsuits against the city of Paris for what it called "discriminatory tax harassment." (d) Meteorological officials in one Chinese province accused their counterparts in another province of "stealing" "their" clouds in order to seed them

People Different From Us

 In a June profile of Britain's Prince Charles. a columnist for The Guardian newspaper describes, as examples of Charles's increasing isolation from the mainstream of under-age-65 British society, his recent encouragement of people to avoid college and learn vocational skills and his enthusiastic promotion of the Gerson Therapy, a widely

discredited treatment for cancer patients diagnosed as terminally ill. (Among the tenets of the Gerson regimen, which costs \$15,000 for three weeks: drinking 20 pounds of liquified fruit and vegetables per day that's been prepared by a "noncentrifugal" juicer that costs \$2000 and taking daily coffee enemas.

Readers' Choice

Survival Instinct: In September, Jerry Allen Bradford of Pensacola, Fla., had in mind euthanizing his seven German shepherd-mix puppies because he could not find them homes. He had shot three and was carrying two other dogs and his .38-caliber revolver in his arms when, according to a sheriff's report, one of the condemned dogs pressed his paw on the trigger, firing and hitting Bradford on the wrist. He was treated at a hospital, and the sharpshooter and his three siblings were placed for adoption.

Answer to Almost All True: (c) is not true.

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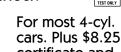
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BATTERY

Location: 400 Broadway, Downtown Time/Date: 2:30 p.m. on 9/12/04

Victim's Statement: I had just gotten off of work. I was walking to my car and this guy started fol-



lowing me. He yelled, "Hey!" and I ignored him. I tried to get into my car. The guy sprayed me

[with pepper spray] on the right side of my face and neck. He said, "You like that, punk?" I managed to get into my car. Someone opened my passenger door and I yanked it back shut. I managed to drive off. I've never seen these guys before but I might recognize the guy who sprayed me.

Report: Daniel L. sustained irritated skin from contact with the chemical agent [and] his shirt was ruined as a result. Loss: \$30.

VANDALISM

Location: 225 Broadway, Downtown Time/Date: 5:48 p.m. on 9/11/04

Officer's Investigation: An unknown male threw a rock at the east window of NBC Studios. When I



arrived, I spoke to Michael R., who works security for NBC. R. told me he arrived after the incident

occurred. R. directed me toward the window that had sustained damage. The window had several small cracks from the impact point of the rock. R. told me that he had spoken to the engineer at NBC Studios, who informed

him that the window was bulletproof and the cost to replace it would be approximately \$2,000.

R. gave me still pictures from the security camera. The first picture is of the suspect walking towards the NBC Studios with a black tote bag. The second picture, he appears to be carrying a rock. The third, he is walking away. In the fourth, the suspect has set his tote bag down on his left and he is now carrying the rock with both hands and walking towards the window.

R. also gave me an orange lighter that the suspect had thrown down. I impounded the lighter and placed a hold for prints.

HOME INVASION

Location: [500] South Cleveland Street, Oceanside

Time/Date: 1:45 p.m. on 9/9/04



Report: The 25-year-old victim was in his residence when the suspects, described as three Hispanic males, entered his open front door and forced him to the floor at gunpoint. They subsequently tied him up and stole his wallet and other personal items before fleeing the scene. The victim sustained minor injuries after being struck on the head by a hard object. The victim freed himself and called police.

SEXUAL ASSAULT

Location: [7800] Rancho Fanta Drive,

Santee

Time/Date: 12:00-1:00 p.m. on 8/27/04



Victim's Statement: A coworker, M., and I decided to have lunch together today. I have only been working here for a month and don't know many people yet. I felt comfortable going with M. because we have been talking for a couple of weeks now. He asked me out on a date before and I told him no because I am trying to work things out with my ex-husband.

Last week M. and I had exchanged cell phone numbers. I was only trying to be friendly with my coworker. On my drive home that night, M. called me. He immediately said, "I'm going to be blunt with you. I like you and want to have sex with you." I just laughed and responded with, "Yeah, whatever."

At the office we sit in rows. M. sits a few seats down from me. This morning he was winking and smiling a lot. When it was time for lunch, my section got up and we all clocked out. I asked M. if he would like to have lunch with me and he agreed. He suggested we go to Subway. I asked if he could drive because I'd iust had my brakes done and I'm not

familiar with the area. M. pulled into the parking lot of a supermarket. I asked M. if we were going into the supermarket to have lunch. He said no, he wanted me to give him a blowjob. I told him I wanted to get something to eat and return to work. He kept saying he wanted to have sex with me. He suggested we look for a park. I told him no. He drove out of the parking lot and began driving around. He drove into an apartment parking lot. I bent over to pick up my money off the floorboard. M. was taking off his shoes and pants. When I sat up I asked him what he was doing. He climbed over the center console and got behind me. He unbuckled my belt and zipped down my pants. I told him no, we shouldn't be doing this. He grabbed me by the waist and made me sit on top of him. I wanted to scream but I was raped six years ago and was beat for fighting back. I was too afraid to yell for help or fight with him.

When he was done, he climbed back over his seat. I told him just to drive us back to work. He said not to worry about anything because he knew where there was a Planned Parenthood and would pay for the abortion. He said, "I know you are trying to work things out with your ex. Don't worry, I have a significant other also."

Report: M. was escorted to the front of the business by his manager [and] handcuffed and placed in the rear seat of our patrol vehicle. He was advised that he was under arrest.

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"I bought it in 1983," Bill says, "from a news producer at KNSD, and he asked me what I was going to use it for. He said, 'If you're going to use it for construction and bang it up, I won't sell it to you.' It's always been taken care of.

"It's got a 350-cubic-inch motor and an automatic. I rebuilt the motor the first time at 210,000 and again at 340,000. It's now at 405,000. The original automatic transmission I had rebuilt twice before I replaced it with an overdrive automatic to improve the mileage. Now on a good day it gets about 19 mpg."

"Who does all this work?" Bill says, "I do lots of it, all the bodywork, tune-ups, and oil changes. And I beefed up the suspension. added a stronger sway bar in the front and one in the back so it sticks to the road better. And I put an air lift in the rear because I tow a little trailer occasionally. In June we took it all around Arizona, through Prescott, Flagstaff, over to Winslow, up to Canyon de Chelly, and then over to the Grand Canyon. No trouble."

"Not even with the cooling system, in the heat?"

"No. I put a high-flow water pump on it. The radiator is the original size, but it's been recored. When I bought the Fl Camino, it had a fourblade fan, and I replaced that with a seven-blade clutch fan. I've looked at the newer electric fans, and I like the idea of them because you're not driving such a heavy fan with the extra weight, and it's supposed to increase the gas mileage. But I'm trying to leave the El Camino as close to original as possible."

"Did it come with airconditioning?"

"Nope. That was the hard part of our trip. Coming down through Phoenix it was over 100. We went and stayed in a hotel until nighttime."

"Lots of us," I confess, "if we buy a car that doesn't have air, we run out and have it installed. But you don't. Is that because you want to keep it original?'

"That, and my wife hates airconditioning. She doesn't like a cold breeze blowing on her. If it's hot, we open the windows, and when somebody pulls up next to us with loud music or whatever, we roll the windows up."

"Roll-up windows?"

"Right."

"Do you ever feel like getting something newer?"

"I have, but the times I think about parting company with it always seem to coincide with it needing bodywork. Once at Green Valley Falls, where we were camping, I ran over a boulder. It was raining and I was busy swatting flies. I had



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to replace the bumper and one fender. And sometimes the El Camino will get a little rust. So when it needs bodywork, I sand it down and get it painted a new color. It was burgundy when I bought it; then I painted it light blue, then green, then teal, and now it's back to light blue. With a new paint, new color, it seems like a whole new car."

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