

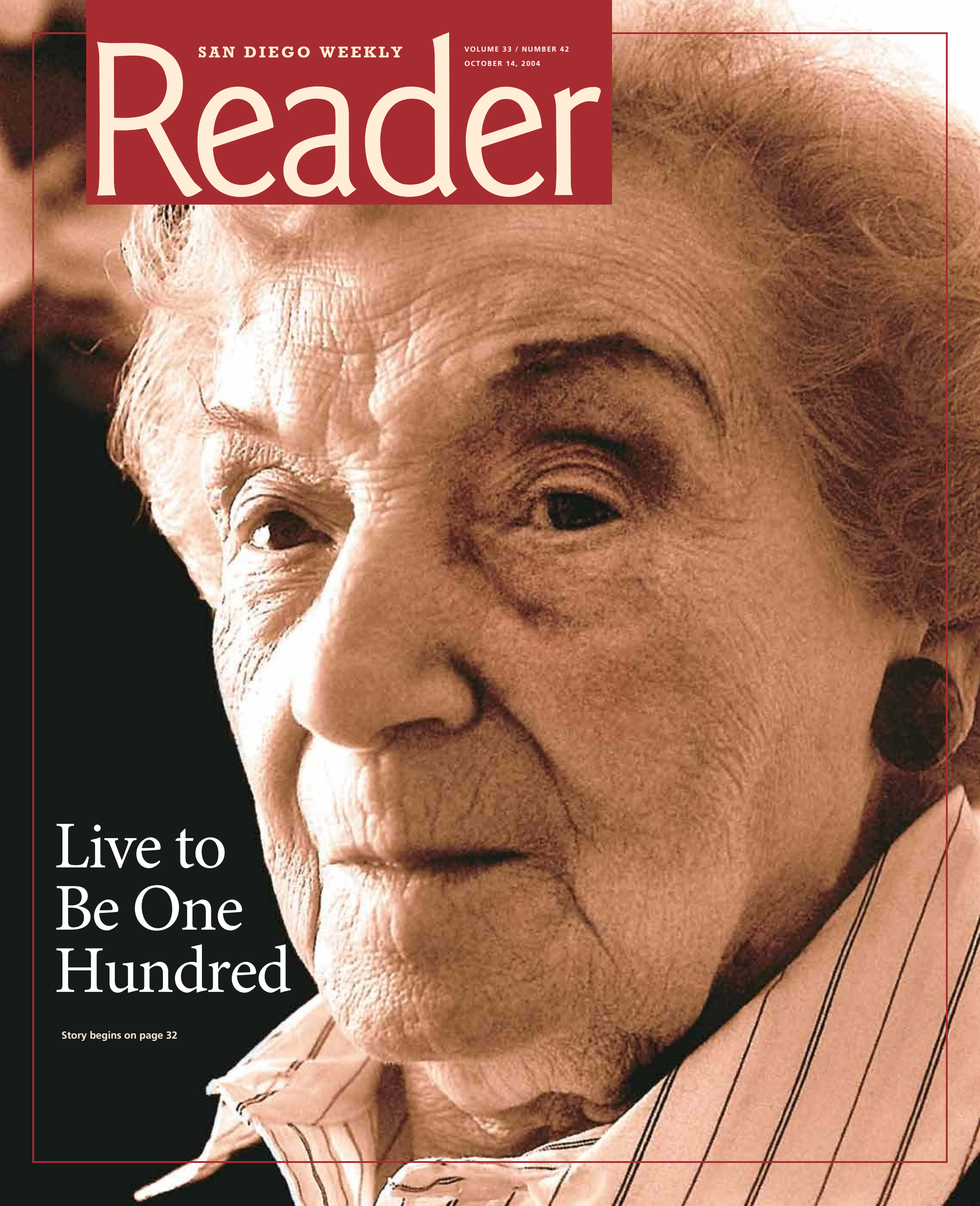
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I Dislike Babies

I was both appalled and happy with Anonymous's story on babies ("Childless," October 7). I am a young woman who dislikes babies as well. I find them useless and disgusting — I hate to think I ever was one. But the article was so jumbled up; in the end I couldn't tell if she still hated them or began to like them. It seemed like the message was that if you don't have a child, you have no purpose in life. I've never heard anything so ridiculous. What's the point? So that your kid can have kids and they can have kids and they can have kids so that we overpopulate the world? So people can be born to live meaningless lives in dead-end jobs and marriages from hell and then just die one day?

Please, everybody, before you have a child, take your mind off yourself and your plans to keep your spouse for a minute and say, "I'm going to be bringing someone into the world who's going to have to live through life." Do you really enjoy life that much?

Kirsten Johansson
via e-mail

Offensive To Children

I enjoy your publication but was appalled at the cover picture on September 30 ("Football Scandal Rocks State"). I typically leave the Reader in the living room but had to remove the cover because it is offensive to children in the home. Very, very inappropriate.

Jean Dixon
via e-mail

Telling Elbows

I work by the F Street bookstore in El Cajon and was appalled by the cover of your October 7 issue ("Beautiful Light"). As if last week's puffy cartoon nipples weren't enough, now you have the Larry Flynt nerve to show the

backside of a scantily clad female, her naked ankles, pierced ears, and a provocative bra showing through a three-sizes-too-small tank top. But the most disgusting thing is the pose you put this poor girl through. She is obviously doing the "girls just want to have fun" thing, and her protruding elbows tell the rest of the story. If it wasn't for the editorial balance from the great deals on cell phones and auto speakers, this issue would be just another girlie magazine.

Lucky Lenny
El Cajon

Hypocritical Puritans

Just a rebuttal for those appalled at a bikini-clad cartoon figure of a woman on the September 30 cover ("Football Scandal Rocks State"). Moms with kids! I assume you aren't nuns living a monastic life, so grow up and snap out of the dark ages. I'm doubting that you live a media-free existence. Larger-than-life Victoria's Secret mannequins strutting their stuff in windows as you parade your kids through the mall shopping for clothes; ads in *Cosmopolitan* magazines left open on your coffee tables; sexual innuendoes every few minutes in family sitcoms; scantily clad teenage girls at school — all in a country that censors even a breast-feeding mom. Can't drink till 21, but you can drive a car, smoke, and shoot a gun as a teenager. A society of hypocritical Puritans has laid the fertile ground for a nation of perverts and twisted minds to grow.

Jack Spiro
via e-mail

Mystery Bunions

After reading the first page of last week's cover story ("Football Scandal Rocks State," September 30), I felt so bad for the target of Matthew Potter's assault that I could not sit quietly. I find it irresponsible and reprehensible that the Reader could justify publishing the legal name of an exotic dancer (believe it or not, most such dancers do not want their local community to know what their job happens to be). In general, all private citizens are entitled to some modicum of privacy. That Emily's name was associated with some segment of the SDSU ath-

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Inside cash Employees of the San Diego State University Foundation — which is using the city's help to develop thousands of new residential units and a mammoth shopping area around the SDSU campus and has been criticized by some neighbors for using steamroller tactics at city hall — have been giving mightily to the reelection bid of San Diego mayor **Dick Murphy**. In just one day alone, September



Frea Sladek

7, seven foundation staffers gave a total of \$1750 to what now appears to be shaping up as an increasingly tough campaign for the embattled mayor. Givers include foundation chief executive officer **Frederick Sladek**, chief financial officer **Leslie Levinson**, chief operating officer **Steven Bloom**, director of public relations **Theresa Nakata**, facilities manager **Louis Haberkern**, sponsored research services chief **W. Timothy Hushen**, project manager **James Darish**, and facilities development design head **Norma Clark**. The most



Fred Pierce

generous giver of the group was none other than **Fred Pierce IV**, who has contributed a total of \$500. In addition to his paid duties as the foundation's real estate development manager, Pierce is the controversial chairman of the city's troubled pension fund, now reportedly the subject of a wide-ranging investigation by the federal government. Under city law, the foundation workers must use their own money for the Murphy contributions; it would be illegal for their employer to later reimburse them. Meantime, Murphy's campaign has also picked up \$500 from **Jeremy M. Jacobs**, chairman and CEO of Delaware North, whose father **Lou** started Delaware North with two of his brothers back in 1915 and endured years of accusations that the firm had mob ties. Delaware North, a big New York outfit that runs the lucrative (some say overpriced and unsavory) food concession at the city-owned downtown baseball stadium, also made local headlines by its takeover of Old Town's Bazaar del Mundo from its creator, hometown girl **Diane Powers**, who lost her state lease in the waning days of the administration of Democratic governor **Gray Davis**.

Rich and infamous Ex-Pete Wilson chieftain **Bob White**, the San Diego State grad now said to be a close advisor to Governor **Arnold Schwarzenegger**, is making lots of dough as an unregistered Sacramento lobbyist. Last week the *San Francisco Chronicle* reported that White's firm, Cali-

fornia Strategies, picked up a big contract from Omaha-based Kiewit Pacific, which wants a \$1 billion-plus state contract to build the new eastern span of the Bay Bridge between San Francisco and Oakland ... The downtown condo boom roars on, at least to judge by media hype. But there are signs that the party may soon be nearing an end. One small hint of trouble came last week, when the condo association at Park View, the massive highrise across the street from the old police station on Market Street, tacked up a foreclosure notice on the gate of a posh three-story street-side unit, demanding \$12,000 in back condo fees from the owner ... The Lincoln Club, a group of wealthy Republicans, has been pouring money into the campaign to convince San Diego voters that they need a so-called "strong mayor." So far the club has spent \$10,000 — half going to the "Citizens for Strong Mayor Reform" and the other half being paid to the "Better Government Association," identified as "campaign consultants." Another \$17,000 was spent on a July poll taken by Virginia-based Tarrance Group. Picking up the tab in part has been Science Applications International (SAIC), the La Jolla government contractor, which kicked in \$10,000 on August 27, and New York-based Porter Novelli, the lobbying outfit, which gave \$1000.

School cash Some familiar names are opening their checkbooks in support of candidates for the board of the San Diego Unified School District. Alliance Pharmaceutical titan **Duane Roth** is backing **Miyo Reff**, as is **Matthew Spathas**, the downtown real estate man whose company, Sentre Partners, has been involved in deals near the ill-fated school district food services site on Kearny Mesa. The district land, purchased for about \$20 million in 2000, is currently listed for sale with C.B. Ellis. Reff has also been endorsed by the downtown chamber of commerce, which seeks a wider role for business in the district. Meanwhile, over in the county board of education race, San Diego superintendent of schools **Alan Bersin** gave \$250 to **Bob Watkins**, the consultant who in 2002 was paid \$10,000 by the district to draft a new contract for Bersin.



Alan Bersin



Matthew Spathas

— *Matt Potter*

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Dr. Laura's Tell-All Lover

By Don Bauder

Wouldn't you know it? San Diego's most infamous love affair took place in Los Angeles. It was three decades ago, and

it was between talk radio's meanest moralist, Dr. Laura Schlessinger, and talk radio's wittiest wordsmith, Bill "Billo" Ballance, who died here late last month, just short of his 86th birthday.

After pioneering "intimate" talk radio in Los An-

toned down his show.

That's how I got to be a regular on the show from the mid-1980s until 1993 and stayed in touch with him thereafter. I would drone on about "exogenous variables" affecting the economy, when I knew the audience wanted



Bill Ballance



Dr. Laura Schlessinger

ges in the 1960s, Ballance finished his career with KFMB from 1978 to 1993 and then retired here. His *Feminine Forum* show in L.A., which only took calls from women, incurred the wrath of feminists. So even before he landed at KFMB, Billo had diversified and

sex. But I will share a secret: Billo preferred talking about economics and history to talking about the bedroom.

That's even though no one has ever been smoother at relating provocative subjects in a titillating-but-tasteful manner. Examples: "Are you single or condemned?"

Or, "Lips are moving like Lassie chewing a Tootsie Roll." And, "The honeymoon is over the first time she says, 'You'll do nothing of the sort.'" Or, "Men: Never worry about an open fly — what can't get up, can't get out." Or, "Figures don't lie, but girdles condense the truth."

He arrived in San Diego not long after the breakup of his three-year affair with Schlessinger — then half his age and still married but purportedly planning divorce. With her enthusiastic consent, he had photographed her many times in the nude.

He told me that she called his show one day in 1975 using a pseudonym. He was so intrigued that he had his producer take down her phone number. The next day, they had a tête-à-tête at a luxurious Hollywood Boulevard restaurant. He told her she could be an international radio star. Then they "locked eyeballs in an unwritten agreement" and repaired to his home where "We made frenzied whoopee all afternoon — we thrashed around like a couple of decorticated lobsters." He used a similar analogy with *Vanity Fair* magazine: "We

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Frye Addles Fat-Cat Moochers

By Don Bauder

Some in the national media say that write-in mayoral candidate Donna Frye “came out of nowhere.” Wrong. She came out of the perfect place: the sewers. Long before she was elected to the city council, she was an environmental activist who was well informed on sewers, storm drains, pollution runoff, clean water, and infrastruc-

councilmembers’ lack of interest in — and refusal to bone up on — such topics, which she considered a municipal politician’s job.

Once on the council, she refused to sing along with city government’s theme



Dick Murphy



Ron Roberts



Scott Barnett



Carl DeMaio



Abbe Wolfsheimer-Stutz



Bruce Henderson

tural matters of all kinds.

Now, Frye leads in some early polls because San Diego voters realize that politicians must start doing what they are paid to do: keep the streets, sewers, storm drains, water systems, safety equipment, and libraries in working order.

Frye ran for office only because she was frustrated at

song, “Smoke Gets in Your Eyes.” When confronted with deliberately obfuscated documents shoved in front of city council, she demanded that bureaucrats write plain English. She wouldn’t vote for an issue unless she understood it — one reason she was often the lone “nay” in an 8-1 vote. Critically for her career, she was the lone nay

in the council’s disastrous November 2002 vote to continue underfunding the pension program.

She has several core constituencies: Democrats (who narrowly outnumber Republicans in the city), organized labor, environmentalists, slow- and no-growthers, fiscal conservatives, anti-establishment activists of all kinds, and people who believe that government’s job is to provide basic services, not monuments. As city services continue to deteriorate, Frye’s potential vote count rises.

Her vote against the pension underfunding will help her the most, but her persistence on a sewer issue helped San Diegans the most. For many months, she insisted that the city come forward with results of a state-mandated cost-of-service study, which would show whether residents and large users were paying sewer fees proportional to their usage. “The city held it up for a long time. When it came out, it showed that residential users were essentially subsidizing the larger users,” such as businesses, she says. That’s why the business-cozy government was reluctant to release the results. The people then got a reduction, because if the city had not acted, the state would have withheld \$266 million in revolving funds.

Because so many in Frye’s constituency are politically savvy, and because voters will have writing instruments in their hands, she might be able to mount the biggest hurdle: getting people to understand how to fill in the third mayoral bubble and print her name on the adjoining line. Her biggest problem is time: absentee ballots began going out last week.

In interviews, Democrats, Republicans, and Libertarians agree that she can win, although it could be tough. No matter what happens, the biggest losers are likely to be the corporate-welfare mendicants. The downtown clique may well caucus secretly and jettison either Mayor Dick Murphy or challenger Ron Roberts and bankroll one or the other to



Donna Frye campaign kickoff rally, October 9

stop Frye.

“I think it is *adios* to the corporate-welfare crowd,” says Democrat Steve Erie, UCSD professor of political science. If Frye shows strength, “It will be harder for the Chargers to get free city land in Mission Valley, although with the Padres, the fox is already in the chicken coop. Essential public services are egregiously underfunded. We need to reorder our priorities; Donna is willing to do that.”

“She will get fiscally conservative voters,” says Republican Scott Barnett, former head of the San Diego County Taxpayers Association. “She will not be afraid to air the dirty laundry, open the process, and tell the

truth.” He, too, agrees that a strong Frye showing will hurt the corporate-welfare crowd. However, if her vote percentage is in single digits, she will have hurt herself, he says.

“She is for transparency; she doesn’t like shell games,” says Republican Carl DeMaio, head of the Performance Institute, which has made many expense-slashing recommendations that have been ignored by city hall. His organization wants to streamline city government; put a lid on spending increases; reduce labor and pension costs; set up a system in which outside bids compete with internal bids on a project; reduce corporate welfare; and have an in-

dependent auditor determine how much money is being diverted from sewer and water funds to the general fund. Frye has pledged to work with him.

“She was our champion in the audit of water and sewer funds,” says DeMaio. “She would go after corporate welfare. We welcome her into the race. The entrance of Donna Frye reminds me of the forces that drove the recall [of former governor Gray Davis].”

“The people who say they will vote for Murphy are not for Murphy, but against Roberts. The people for Roberts say he is arrogant, unpleasant, impossible, but Murphy is incompetent,” says

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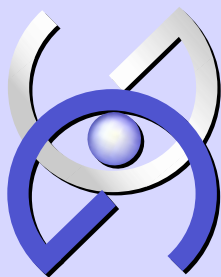
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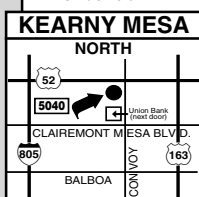
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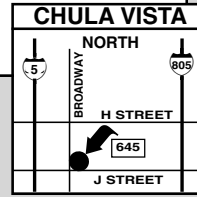
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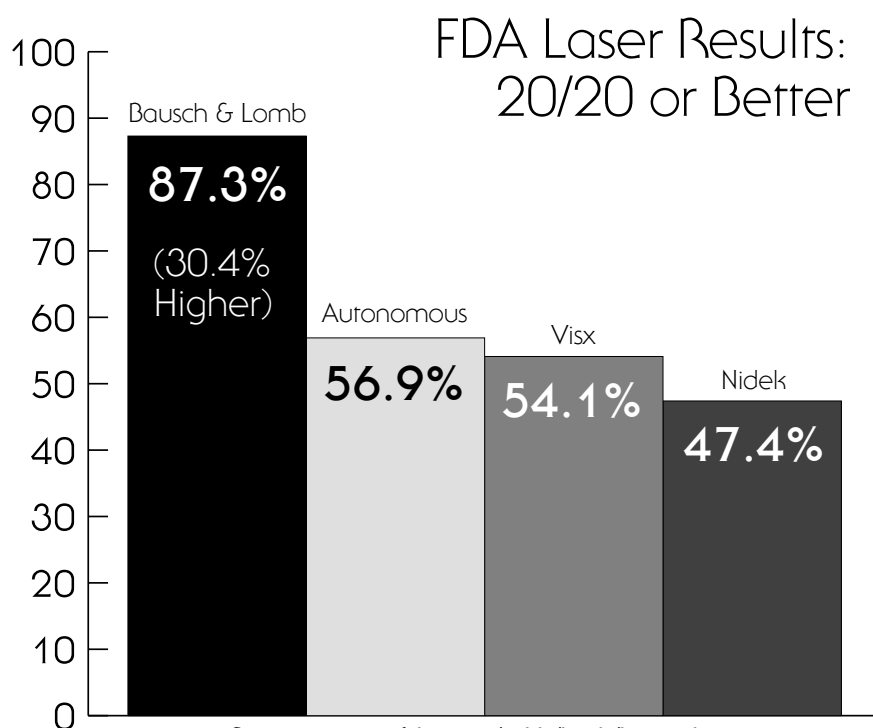
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thrashed around like a couple of crazed weasels." According to Dr. Susan M. Block of the Institute for Erotic Arts and Sciences, he and Laura would "thrash around under the sheets like a couple of jackrabbits."

During their romance, they used other allegories from nature. According to Vickie L. Bane, author of *Dr. Laura: The Unauthorized Biography*, Billo called Laura his "little plum" and she called him her "pillow plum-sicle." She signed her love notes to him "Your Tottle Bug."

Schlessinger had a natural affinity for nature. That "Dr." in front of her name isn't for a Ph.D. in psychology or some behavioral discipline that would qualify her as a radio shrink; she has a doctorate in physiology. According to author L.W. Milam, writing for *Salon.com*, Schlessinger's doctoral dissertation was entitled "Effects of Insulin on 3-0 Methylglucose Transport in Isolated Rat Adipocytes." One of her professors said she spent most of her lab time "pulling fat pads off rat testicles," according to Milam.

She does not deny the af-

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fair but claims it didn't begin on the afternoon they met. Ballance became her mentor as well as her lover. Through him, she learned the talk-radio business and also cracked Hollywood/media social circles. In getting her into an exclusive hotel in Palm Springs, "I pulled more strings than a cross-eyed harp tuner," he told Milam.

He would have her as a guest on his show. Then she got her break and began her own shows, initially on small stations, while Billo was more isolated in San Diego. Her brand of preaching, teaching, and shrieking at callers resonated with a certain segment of the public. But many hated her; Bane points out that she has been called "Laura the Hen," "A Psychological Bag Lady," "Our National Mommy," "dictatorial," "rude," and "a pain in the ass."

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moved her program from very desirable time periods to lesser ones," says San Diegoan Ron Bain, former head of CBS and NBC sports, now in radio syndication. "KOGO in San Diego moved her from 12:00 to 3:00 p.m. live — following Rush Limbaugh — to a 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. replay. She has had a wonderful long run, but getting moved to less desirable time periods is the usual beginning of the end." Still, *Talker's Magazine* ranks her 7th of all-time among talk-show hosts; Billo is 20th.

As she talked her way to the top, Ballance grew annoyed at her. First, he disliked her yelling at callers. Second, he knew that she was a hypocrite — and not just because of their affair. He — and many others — knew she had not spoken to her mother in many years and was despised by former friends she had allegedly manipulated in her ascent to the top. Bane's book is a good reference.

In 1998 Ballance sold a dozen nude photos of Schlessinger to a website for \$50,000. At first, she denied being the person in the photos. Later, she claimed she owned the copyright to them. She sued. After failing to get an injunction, Schlessinger dropped the suit. Later Schlessinger said the affair had taken place during a brief period while she was an atheist. Atheist news groups were indignant. The organization American Atheists commented, "Is attempting to legally suppress the nudie pics 'facing up to one's responsibility' or concealing the truth? Is Schlessinger right in using her brutal, tough-love verbal cudgels on callers" when she has these skeletons in her closet?

She claimed Billo made her nude photos public out of spite because she had snubbed him at a Los Angeles conference. Don't believe it. He had long ago told me of his disgust. In mid-1996, I mailed to him a *Wall Street Journal* article featuring her, in which she acknowledged that he had launched her career. He wrote me back: "You are a prince of scribes,

passing on to me the bogus profundities of Dr. Laura. Her public postures are the precise opposite of [her behavior] when I was dating her, and when I had her on my own show. Metamorphosis time. Some might

even call it monumental hypocrisy. But, at least it gets my name in the *Wall Street Journal*."

All the time I was on the show, I feared Billo would be fired for driving a bored audience away. One time in

1992, I arranged to have a panel discuss the Russian economy — how it was essentially transaction capitalism, not production capitalism. That was a polite way of saying crooks were all over the place. We got few calls.

We got no calls at all for a panel discussion on Bank of Credit and Commerce International, the most corrupt bank in world history. I told Billo during commercial breaks that the audience really wanted to talk about sex.

But Billo, who had boned up for those shows, was having too much fun to think about ratings — and it did give him a chance to throw in his favorite financial institution, Absconders and Defaulters National Bank.

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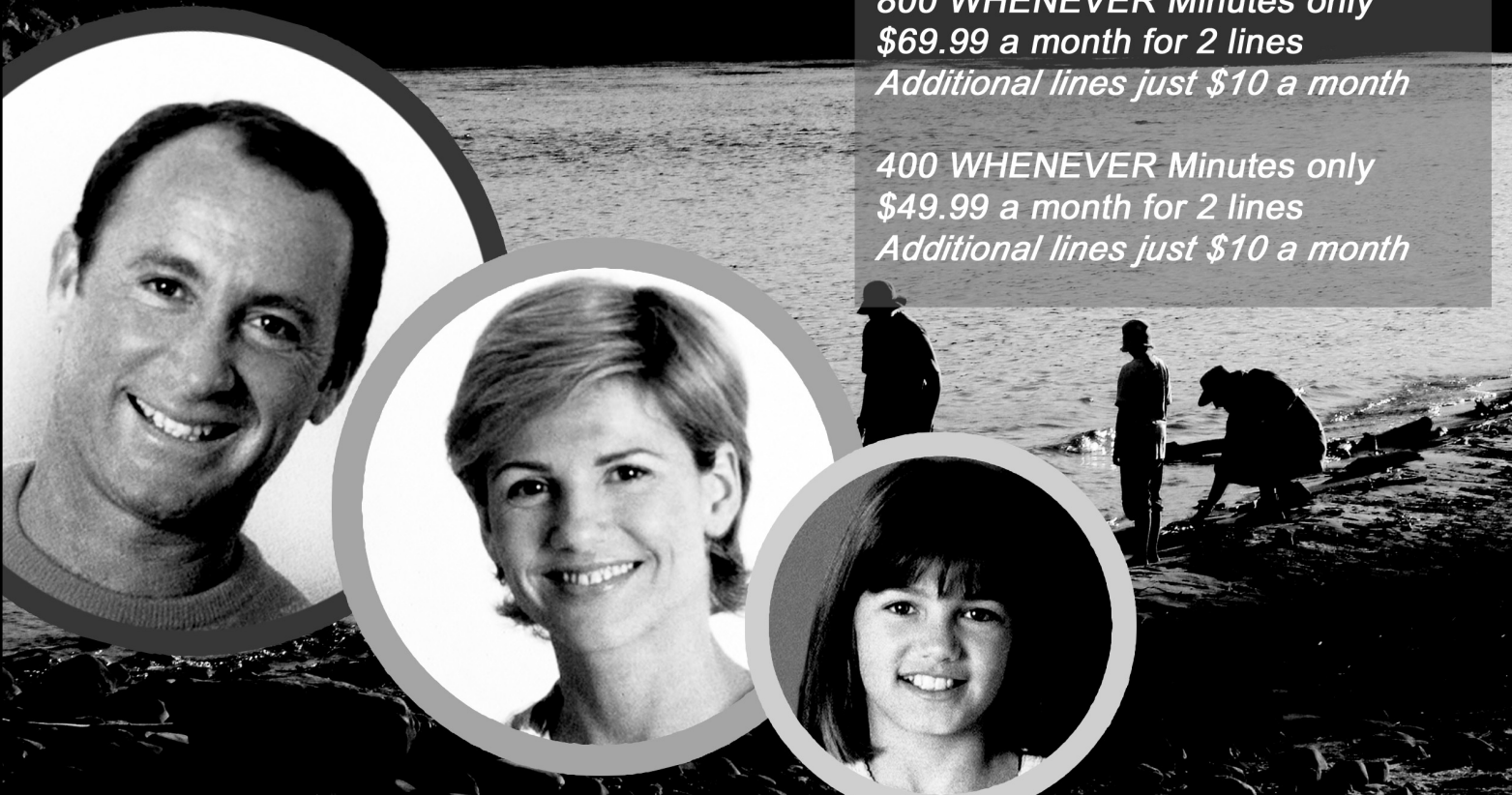
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At home, he had 12,000 books, mostly on the Civil War. He was a lover of classical music. In a 1999 letter, he told a story about the late, great conductor and notorious womanizer, Arturo Toscanini. Bill wrote,

"Displeased by the singing of a soprano during rehearsal, he grabbed her by the breasts and screamed, 'If only these were BRAINS!' " Toscanini would never have been a guest on Dr. Laura's show. ■

Fat-cat moochers

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Democrat Jim Mills, former president pro tem of the California Senate. He believes Frye can win if people can be

educated on the write-in technique. She should oppose secrecy, corruption, and corporate welfare, he says. The fat salaries and perks of such groups as the Convention & Visitors Bureau and Regional Economic Development

Corporation should be good targets, he says. Murphy's plan for a downtown library is a boondoggle. The money would be better spent on infrastructure, says Mills.

Democrat and former

city councilmember Abbe Wolfsheimer-Stutz says, "People tell me, 'Finally, we have somebody to vote for.'" (Almost the exact words of Frye's slogan.) "Donna should concentrate on cleaning up city hall, getting rid of corporate welfare, not squandering taxpayers' money, getting rid of backroom deals, restoring fiscal conservatism."

"I haven't made up my mind on Donna. She has great positives and great negatives," says Libertarian Richard Rider. "On the positive side, she is the only one at city hall who knows how to say no. But on the negative side, I'm afraid that she might favor rent control and the living wage — Berkeley-style legislation." (She doesn't favor rent control but believes companies getting city contracts should pay a living wage.)

Last week, the council voted to issue \$600 million in pension-obligation bonds (three times what Murphy was talking about last summer) and also to toe the line against labor unions in upcoming contract negotiations. Once again, Frye was the sole opponent. The city shouldn't issue bonds until its long-delayed 2003 audit is out, she said. And it can't issue bonds until the criminal and civil investigations into inaccurate bond prospectuses are complete. Critics charge that in opposing the hard line against labor, she is pandering to labor's votes, although the major unions representing city employees are backing her opponents.

Says Republican Bruce Henderson, former councilmember. "Donna's vote was pro-taxpayer," he says. San Diego got into its fiscal fix by pandering to special interests. Underfunding the pension system was one of several methods to balance budgets bloated by corporate welfare. Labor can't be blamed for asking for more pay in exchange for underfunding. Besides, the egregious pension abuses — the million-dollar lump sums in addition to six-figure monthly payments — went to top city officials who were in the establishment's pocket. "Anybody who says all our problems were caused only by workers is playing politics." ■

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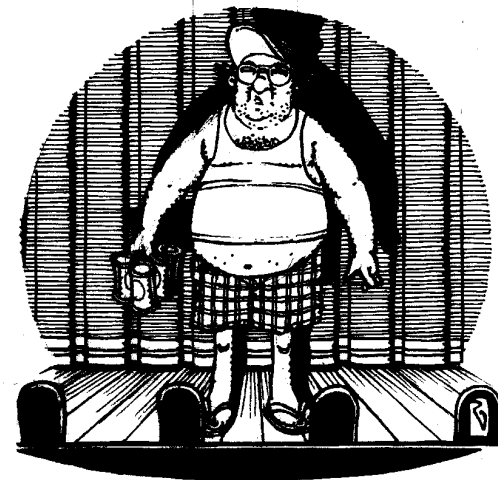
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

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Hey Matt:

My boyfriend says that The Jerry Springer Show is fake, that the guests are really actors, not insane trailer trash dating their sisters. Is he right? Is it fake?

— Farah Daye, the net

No, Farah, we just wish it was fake — that we don't really share a voting booth with such Neanderthals. Sorry. We do. Springer, Lake, Povich, et al., are always accused of hiring actors, since it's hard to believe anyone would voluntarily make a network-TV spectacle of him/herself, his/her family, assorted neighbors, co-workers; or proudly demonstrate a complete lack of common sense/morals/taste/judgment; or appear so publicly sleazy/stupid/mean/ugly. No question that a fake or two has shown up, but booking these shows is not like casting a revival of *Annie Get Your Gun*. The producers think up the ugliest show titles they can think of, let the public know that they're looking for real folks who've done that particular ugly thing, then sit back and let the phone calls pour in. When you think about it, the world is full of all sorts of bizarre goings-on. The only surprising thing is how desperate some people are to tell the rest of us about it. Or how desperate the rest of us are to watch them. Springer's been at it for 13 years.

Grandma isn't happy that I'm telling you this — but one of the Alice clan actually appeared on the Maury Povich show some years ago. I know, I know, you're stunned. Well, get over it. We're certainly trying to. Anyway, let's call her, oh, Cousin Alice. Alice Alice. So Cousin Alice, chronologically, is an adult. At the time, her life is classic trash, without benefit of trailer. A big Maury fan. One day she sees Maury is looking for Teen Daughters Out of Control! Hey, she thinks, I have a couple of those. Besides, guests of the Maury show stay at some swank midtown Manhattan hotel. Alice has never been to New York City. Teen Daughters Out of Control! are up for it. So they call the Maury producers and run down their family situation. I guess the details are sordid and promising, because a few weeks later a Maury flunky shows up at Alice's house in San Diego to chat with her and the Teen Daughters Out of Control! and take some pictures. Before you can say "exploitation," Alice and the girls are booked for the show.

The day before the taping, they hop a plane at Lindbergh, are met in New York by the Maury limo, and glide to the luxurious midtown hotel that until now has been only a dream in the closing credits. Several other moms with Teen Daughters Out of Control! are there too. They meet with the producers, who give each family \$400 walking-around/room service/new clothes money. Next, a rundown of how the taping will proceed.

As Older Daughter recalls, the production staff makes it clear that the general effect they're going for is hideous children vs. helpless mother. Poor, suffering Mom, heartbroken at the horrible truth she's about to learn — live, on-camera — from the results of lie-detector tests previously administered to Teen Daughters Out of Control! Tears, hand-wringing, whining, collapsing into a pitiful pile of Momness — that's what the producers want. TDOC, on the other hand, should be veritable porcupines of attitude — curse the audience; screech unthinkable things at gasping, blubbering Mom; appear as OC as possible. Wear whatever you like. Professional makeup and hairstyling optional. The Maury staff is really, really, really nice, according to Older Daughter. Would do anything to make your stay more comfortable.

Judging from their on-camera behavior, the Alices paid no attention during the production briefing. Younger Daughter lies her way through the lie-detector test and is appropriately loud and insolent on camera when she's called a liar. So far, so good. Older Daughter (who's actually just along to see the city) tells the truth on the lie-detector tests, freely admitting what's going on in her hair-raising life. No on-camera shocking secrets, no snotty attitude, just a kid who'd rather be prowling the Lower East Side than be on TV. Worse yet, although she promised to behave, Mom doesn't cry, scream, faint, throw up, or act the victim. Show prep flies out the window, and she reacts the way she would at home. Daughter gives you lip? Give her plenty in return. Daughter screaming at you? Scream back louder. Theme-wise, Cousin Alice and the girls were a flop. Immediately after the taping, the families are whisked into the limo and returned to the airport. Elapsed in-city time: 24 hours, max.

So there's the natural history of a talk-show appearance — really, really, really nice Maury Povich division, anyway. The people aren't fake so much as their behavior is fakish and exaggerated. They have some odd lust to show off, be on TV, or just get a free trip to New York. And they have no shame. But these days, shame is optional.

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Purity Scores

We no longer have live television. This is a result of Janet Jackson's right breast, a mound of human flesh so powerful that it has to be overseen and regulated by the most powerful nation on earth.

As you recall, the sight of Ms. Jackson's bosom during the 2004 Super Bowl halftime show caused Congress to hold hearings, caused the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to go into emergency session, caused draconian new laws and regulations to be issued, and cost Viacom Inc. a \$550,000 fine.

Ms. Jackson's right breast will be remembered as the beginning of the end of uncensored TV. "I am outraged at what I saw during the halftime show of the Super Bowl," said FCC chairman Michael Powell after he was visually attacked by Ms. Jackson's right breast. "Like millions of Americans, my family and I gathered around the television for a celebration. Instead, that celebration was tainted by a classless, crass, and deplorable stunt."

Powell ordered an immediate investigation. Within a week of the incident Congress was holding hearings on Janet Jackson's right breast. Due entirely to Janet Jackson's right breast, a five-second delay was instituted during the Oscar telecast (ABC) and the Tony Awards (CBS) and the Emmy Awards (ABC). Understanding that was not going to be enough, the Grammy Awards were broadcast (CBS) with a *five-minute* delay, which makes sense if you'll look at the following formula: Grammy Awards + Musicans + Uppity Chicks + Right Breast = America on its Knees.

But why should we stop there? Indeed, in a country with a \$7 trillion public debt, a society that creates \$600 billion of new debt every 12 months, one cannot expect citizens to take the practice of moderation to heart. In other words, why stop with artists?

CBS Media Relations personhood Kate Fisher says, "It's standard operating procedure for all of our live broadcasts. There is a five-second delay in both audio and video."

ABC mouthpiece Mark Mandel says, "ABC has a policy where all of its live programming is delayed by five seconds."

It gets worse. It goes into sports.

Monday Night Football (ABC), the crown jewel of broadcast sports, has instituted a five-second delay. Performance Radio Network (NASCAR) and Motor Racing Network have instituted a seven-second delay on their live broadcasts.

NBC has a five-second delay for its motor-

racing broadcasts. This came about because of two events: the ever-burning memory of Janet Jackson's right breast and Dale Earnhardt Jr.'s thoughtless reply, given moments after he won his fifth victory at Talladega Superspeedway, a victory that put Earnhardt in first place (Nextel Cup standings). So, of course, that's the moment a reporter asks his lazy, dumb-ass reporter's question, something like, "How do you feel?" Earnhardt replied, "It don't mean shit right now. Daddy's won here ten times."

Boom — NBC throws a five-second delay on its NASCAR broadcasts and Earnhardt is fined \$10,000 and has 25 points deducted from his Nextel Cup total, which pushes him into second place.

Now we're getting into something.

NBC, ABC — all of them craven, greedy cowards happy to join the morality police, eager to do their dirty work, pleased to fine athletes for spontaneous expressions. That was bad enough. Now they're changing sports results after the fact.

Can you imagine how many professional ballplayers say "fuck" when they're standing at the plate? Should one "fuck" be counted as a strike-out? How about "shit"? Should "shit" be counted as a called strike? How about, hit a home run and whoop "son-of-a-bitch" as you trot toward first? Should your home run be ruled a double?

Here's a good story taken from, of all places, the Fox Sports website: "Richard Petty's career went out in a literal blaze of glory at Atlanta in 1992. Barely one-third of the way into his 1,117th and final Winston Cup start, The King was caught up in a mess not of his own making, the car catching fire and rolling powerless into the Turn 1 infield grass...."

"The safety crews came up to me, and they started asking for autographs," Petty recalled earlier this week. "And I was sitting there with my car on fire!" In-car cameras showed Petty pointing and flailing his arms toward the fire outside his windshield as he shouted, "Get the [fucking] fire extinguisher!"

How many points would that outburst cost Petty today? Who would decide? Based on what criteria? Can you say "fuck" if your life is in danger? Who would determine if your life was actually in danger? If your life is not in danger but, say, you broke both arms and a leg, can you say "shit" without incurring a point deduction?

If the way athletes talk is so frightening, so offensive as to cause a listener to demand athletic *scores* be changed, then that person should seek a better life in Saudi Arabia and leave the rest of us the fuck alone.

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Founded locally: 1999

Senior pastor: Pastor Rick Horton

Congregation Size: 40

Staff size: 1

Sunday school enrollment: 15

Annual budget: \$10,000

Weekly giving: \$1,000

Singles program: no

Dress: casual

Diversity: white

Worship: Wednesday/Thursday, 7 p.m.

Length of reviewed service: 1½ hours

Website: www.matthewshouse.com

"The truth is we don't know what we are doing. We just look to see what God is doing around us," Pastor Rick Horton confessed. Pastor Horton is the senior pastor of a House church movement in Oceanside called Matthew's House. A House church is a group of Christians who meet in a home rather than a church building.

After 15 years of traditional church ministry with the Assemblies of God, Pastor Horton felt a call to create "a simple way of doing church." Currently two houses are a part of Matthew's House; one meets on Wednesday, the other on Thursday.

Pastor Horton spoke to me about the community at Matthew's House, "The way we do church is very organic. Often people are getting together three, four, and five times a week. For some people it is every day because we live next door to each other. People also meet because all but two or three people are part of Discipleship. Discipleship is where we gather in groups of two and three and share what is going on, hold each other accountable, and encourage one another."

Pastor Horton spoke of a young girl who had attended Matthew's House a few times and "in the middle of everyone sharing she said, 'I love being here. I want to have what all of you have'; and with that she gave her life to Jesus. No one sat down and explained anything to this girl; no one told her about repentance or anything. The Holy Spirit is the one who does the drawing [of people to salvation]. This was a turning point in the church." Since this event, other people who were neighbors and friends attending Matthew's House have become Christians in a similar way, "they participated in the community and saw what God was doing in our lives."

On a Thursday evening I entered into the home of Cary and Wendy Childress. "This is my family," said Cary. "I was lost in a big church. No one knew my name. I could walk up to the

Pastor on the street and he wouldn't even recognize who I am."

Service began as Pastor Horton picked up a guitar and everyone sat in the living room. Ten adults reclined in couches and comfortable chairs as they began to sing, "Oh God, Awesome in Power." After worship, Pastor Horton asked the congregants, "What is going on in your life? What are you seeing God do in your life this week?"

One of the women commented that she has been thinking about a passage from John chapter 15, verse four, that says we should "abide in Christ and He will abide in us." People nodded their heads as they reflected on this idea. Participants shared what this means to them. A gentleman named Glenn said, "It is like a love relationship. Jesus is lifted up in our lives and we diminish." Another person mentioned, "Maybe it is a seeking process when the Lord puts the desire in your heart to seek Him."

After thoughts were revealed and observations made, Pastor Horton ended the discussion by saying, "all of our lives' stories show

that we are all closer to God. If we abide in Him we will talk more of what God is doing and less of what we are doing." Later, Pastor Horton told me he never prepares what he is going to talk about. The discussion each week is determined by what is going on in the lives of the people.

As the conversation ended, the congregants' six children were invited to listen to Pastor Horton disclose a few thoughts about what their parents had talked about that evening. In conclusion, Pastor Horton picked up his guitar and we all sang "Jump, Jump, Jump." The children got on their feet and began jumping and running in place as we sang, "Jump, jump, jump into the light, light, light; Run, run, run, away from what's not right..." Pastor Horton told everyone to stand up and jump. And everyone stood up and began jumping and running

in place singing "Jump, jump, jump, out of the dark, dark, dark; Run to Jesus, give Him your heart. He is the light, He is the light, He is the light, The liiiighhhhhh!"

After the meeting we moved into the kitchen to have chocolate chip cookies, cake, juice, coffee, and soda. In the kitchen the conversations revealed how close these people were and the openness they shared with one another. Glenn observed "[Service at Matthew's House] is like an AA meeting; except for instead of alcohol we are sharing positive things." As I left, several people invited me to join them anytime and many gave me a parting hug. Our bonds had grown tight after an evening of Jesus Therapy.

— Drew E. Goodmans



PASTOR RICK HORTON

Matthew's House Oceanside

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content★★
delivery.....★★

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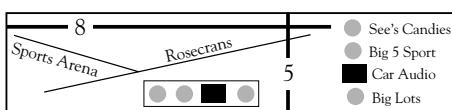
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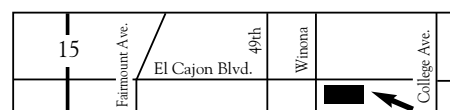
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Dear Saffron,

I'm an artist who rents a studio to do my work. I've been renting the same studio, a roomy storefront in a block-long building full of commercial spaces, for the past 20 years. It's like home to me. I have been on friendly terms with my landlords, an older couple — so much so that we've been doing a trade. I pay minimal rent for the workspace and in exchange I allow their grown son and his wife to live in a guest-house behind my house for equally tiny rent. This son has alcohol problems and he's had a lot of trouble holding a job so paying normal rent would be a hardship for him. This arrangement suited everyone and since it was an agreement among friends, I was the only tenant in this commercial building who didn't have a lease. Last week the husband of the landlord couple tells me they've sold the building and since I don't have a lease I'll have to leave when the new owners take over. The new owners want me out so they can charge top dollar, which I can't pay, for my space. I asked the landlords if they would give me a lease now so that I would be protected when the new owners take over and they refused. So all the other businesses in the building get to stay since they have leases, but because I was friends with the landlords and did them a favor, I'm the only one getting the boot! I talked to a free lawyer who said since I have nothing on paper I have no legal leg to stand on and will have to vacate. So now I'm being kicked out of my studio and I'm stuck with these tenants living in my back house who are paying almost no rent at all. I know the guy who's my tenant — the landlord's son — has a lot of problems, but I want to ask him to leave now so I can build a cheap studio on the property for myself so I have some place to work. Studio rents are too high for me. Some of my friends are saying that I should let the tenant stay because he's a messed-up guy and his parents are the ones who screwed me over, not him. I don't want to be vindictive, but I feel like now that our deal is off it's not fair to have this guy freeloading on me. Would I be wrong in asking my tenant to leave?

EL CAJON VAN GOGH

Dear Van Gogh,

As long as you give them proper notice and do what's legally required — mak-

ing sure that you're allowed to evict them (because laws governing commercial tenants are different than those pertaining to residential ones) — I think you can give your tenants notice. The deal you had with your landlords is clearly off, therefore you're not responsible to house their son for next-to-nothing anymore. You can explain to your tenants what happened: that now you are studio-less and you're sorry, but this seems to be your only choice. It's too bad some other kind of compromise couldn't be reached before they went and sold the building, but that's water under the bridge now (or spilled paint or whatever). Be as flexible and helpful as possible, but it sounds like they will have to relocate.

Dear Saffron,

You published a letter from someone who dropped their small daughter off at a children's birthday party. The parent returned to pick the child up after a couple of hours and, later, when talking to their child, was horrified to learn that the party had included a trip to the cemetery. Then someone who signed himself or herself "P.P. in La Mesa" wrote in to say that the parent bore some responsibility for the problem because they left their kid at the house of someone they knew only slightly. Bravo, P.P.! This is a very important point. I have a four-year-old and two-year-old and when they go somewhere you can bet one of their parents goes, too. I'm going to be at all their parties for a long, long time, and I if don't like what's going on, guess what? I'm going to take my kids home.

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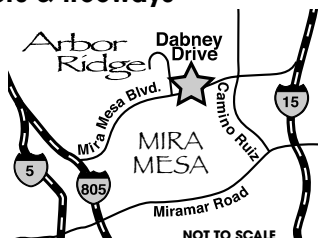


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— EVE KELLY

A proper lady holds her pinky out when she drinks tea," insisted my friend Bernice, her color rising.

"Poppycock, sis," retorted her younger sister Suzanne.

It wasn't a pretty sight — Bernice was planning to throw a "high tea" for Suzanne's bridal shower, and here they were arguing like they did when they were teenagers. I decided to squelch the family feud by appealing to a higher authority.

Lorna Wyatt, who, with her husband Dave, owns and runs the Aubrey-Rose Tea Room in La Mesa (619-461-4832), grinned when I asked her to settle the matter. "You don't have to raise your pinky," she began, then explained, "The drinking of tea originated in China. They didn't have handles on their cups. Since the tea was very hot, they would grasp the top of the cup. They would stick the pinky out for balance. Then, when they started making fine china in England, the handles were so small that you couldn't fit your fingers through them. So the same theory applies — you still stick your pinky out for balance. But it's not a social thing." What is a social thing is this: "If you're sitting 12 inches or more away from your cup, you should take your saucer in your hand — with your palm underneath the saucer — as you drink your tea."

Other rules are less universally accepted, as Dave made clear. "One of the raging controversies in tea etiquette is whether to put the milk in the teacup and then the tea, or to put the tea in the cup, and then the milk. It's very important to many groups to do it one way or the other if you want to maintain proper etiquette." Here, too, history plays a part. "Years ago, when china was first made in Europe, it was of very poor quality. Oftentimes, putting the tea in first would cause the cup to break, because the tea was so hot. When the milk was put in the cup first, it helped diffuse the heat of the tea. It was logical."

Now that china is stronger, Dave thinks tea should take priority. "If you put the milk in first and put too much in, you can't get it back out. I prefer to put the tea in and then the milk, so I can see what color the tea becomes."

The Aubrey-Rose serves afternoon tea, and Dave described the setting, first noting that "a person should set aside two hours for afternoon tea." It's meant to be a relaxed (and relaxing) event. "We set an eight-inch plate with a cloth napkin — we use a variety of napkin holders. The cup is placed upside down on the saucer with the spoon through the bow. We set one fork and one knife. We use beverage covers for the water glasses — they go back to Victorian times, when there weren't screens on the windows, or when teas were served in outdoor settings. It kept debris or bugs out of the glass."

Lorna took up the question of comestibles.

"They would stick the pinky out for balance."

"It's comprised of tea sandwiches, such as egg salad, cucumber, and chicken salad. Those are the standard sandwiches. We also do our own savorys, such as sun-dried tomato mousse, fresh herbal scones, or a mushroom turnover stuffed with blue cheese, apples, and walnuts. Fresh seasonal fruit is also served. Then we serve pastries and bread pudding." Traditional items such as lemon curd, Devonshire cream, and jam can also be had.

As for the tea, there are 60 to choose from, though, as Dave noted, all teas come from the same plant. Depending on what part and how it is processed, "there is green tea, black tea, oolong tea [a combination of black and green teas], and white tea. White tea comes from the bud." Caffeine-free herbal teas are actually "tisanes, composed of herbs, fruits, and spices. Then there are rooibos, which is from Africa and has similarities to the tea plant, but lacks caffeine." True tea, he said, always has caffeine.

Within that constant, however, there are countless variations. Lorna told me that "Darjeeling is a light-bodied black tea from India. It's called the Champagne of teas because of how it's grown: the gentility of the weather in that region makes it wonderful. Assam is a more full-bodied Indian tea. Then you have breakfast teas, which may be a blend of black teas from China, India, and Africa, or just tea from one region. Oils are added to make flavored teas. Earl Grey is a black tea from China infused with oil from the peel of a canton orange."

All teas at the AubreyRose are prepared upon ordering. Lorna and Dave use tea socks to brew the teas. "You must have separate bags for green and white teas, or else the black tea will infuse them. For black tea, you put the loose leaf tea into the sock and then pour boiling water onto it. Some people steep it for seven minutes, but usually, the recommended time for American palates is four to five minutes. For green tea, the water must be cooler, or else it will stew the leaves instead of steeping and the tea will be astringent. I judge it to be ready when I see the tiny bubbles start to come up in the water — it's just barely on the cusp of boiling. Green tea leaves are not fired like black tea leaves, only withered, rolled, and dried. It's a gentler process. Steep green tea leaves no longer than two minutes."

The AubreyRose serves two afternoon teas. Besides tea, the Lady Anne Tea (\$18.95 per person) consists of tea sandwiches, scones, fresh fruit, pastries, lemon curd, mock Devonshire cream, and fruit preserves. The Queen Victoria Tea (\$23.95 per person) consists of the same, plus savorys and tea breads. Reservations are highly recommended. A Cream Tea (\$9.95 per person) is available for walk-ins, and consists of tea, fresh scones, and a seasonal fruit garnish. The room also specializes in theme parties and special events such as showers and birthday parties.

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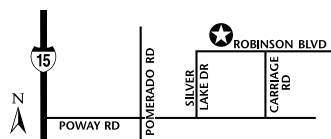
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BACK WHEN

In the Reader

Thirty Years Ago

Even in retrospect, it is hard to believe that a concert could be so perfect, so well-received, so *good*. Davey Johnstone, Dee Murray, Nigel Olsson, Ray Cooper, and Reg Dwight, a.k.a. Elton John, put on the best rock show San Diego has ever seen, or will see until he comes back.

Elton John is such a major presence in music today he probably surpasses Mick Jagger as the single biggest draw for a rock audience.

— **"THE PLACE WENT WILD,"** Harlan Lebo,
 October 17, 1974

Twenty-Five Years Ago

"If I've had a nutritional meal in the last year, it'll come as a surprise to my stomach," quips Dan McLain in between resounding burps. It is almost midnight and we are sitting outside a Sacramento Taco Bell, trying our best to savor one of the few semisolid meals we've had in three days. McLain continues with an observation on the human body's tolerance for abuse. "My system's used to junk food and beer. Anything with excess vitamin value makes me throw up." Twenty-four-year-old McLain is the drummer for the San Diego new-wave rock-and-roll band called The Penetrators who, with a couple of girlfriends, an equipment carrier, and a tagalong writer in tow, have limped into Sacramento, a one-night stop on their statewide tour.

— **"TWO DOLLAR TOUR,"** Steve Esmedina
 October 18, 1979

Twenty Years Ago

Thomas K. Arnold's "City Lights" piece of September 20 suggests that I am not happy with a certain influx of a leather-boy gay element into my neighborhood. This is not the case. I am not gay, but I do not object to gays being in my area. I do not find "leather-garbed bikers" bothersome. In fact, I happen to own several leather jackets and four motorcycles. I apologize to the gay community for this.

Timothy Span
 University Heights
 — LETTERS: **"GOT HIS LEATHER,"** October 18, 1984

Fifteen Years Ago

The thought of bulldozers tearing through the eucalyptus grove marking the entrance to La Jolla's Salk Institute brings a pained expression to the face of designer Joe Nicholson. "The architectural profession considers this a holy place," he says, eyeing the trees and the soaring concrete walls of the biomedical research complex. "There are so few really great monuments around, they shouldn't be fooled with."

Nicholson's reverence notwithstanding, the trustees of the Salk Institute, including



San Diego Reader, October 18, 1979

founder Jonas Salk, are forging ahead with a \$23 million plan to build a 300-seat auditorium, along with a conference center and additional lab space, directly in front of the present building. Although the new structures would be separated from the existing complex by 409 feet, Nicholson fears for the integrity of what he calls "one of the half-dozen great architectural monuments of the 20th Century."

— CITY LIGHTS: **"LOUIS KAHN'S JEWEL,"** Matt Potter,
 October 19, 1989

Ten Years Ago

In a "City Lights" ("Shorts") item in your September 29 edition, you reported that I "did not return repeated phone calls" regarding a *Union-Tribune* editorial on expansion of the Mission Beach boardwalk. That is absolutely incorrect. I received no phone calls from the *Reader* before the item was published. A thorough check with the *Union-Tribune* switchboard, the secretaries who answer the phone in my office, and the voice mail system that's in operation after office hours shows no record of any phone calls to me from the *Reader*.

Robert A. Kittle
 Editor, Editorial Page
 San Diego Union-Tribune
 — LETTERS: **"PAGING MR. KITTLE,"** October 13, 1994

Five Years Ago

Wings are everywhere. One girl wears white, feathery wings as she dances — they call it "flowing" — to the ON-OFF ON-OFF ON-OFF electronica music at UCSD. Gossamer wings grace the backs of another young woman and man. The wings of a dragonfly are tattooed on 17-year-old Sanae's arm. Another girl wears a bright-pink ski cap with a butterfly patch on it. A silver-haired girl wears a furry butterfly backpack. Antennae bob over 18-year-old Melissa's head. Why, I ask her, are so many at the rave dressed like flying things?

"'Cause they're, like, free and stuff, and they can take off anywhere," Melissa, not a raver herself, replied.

— CITY LIGHTS: **"RAVE CITY, U.S.A.,"** James McCoy,
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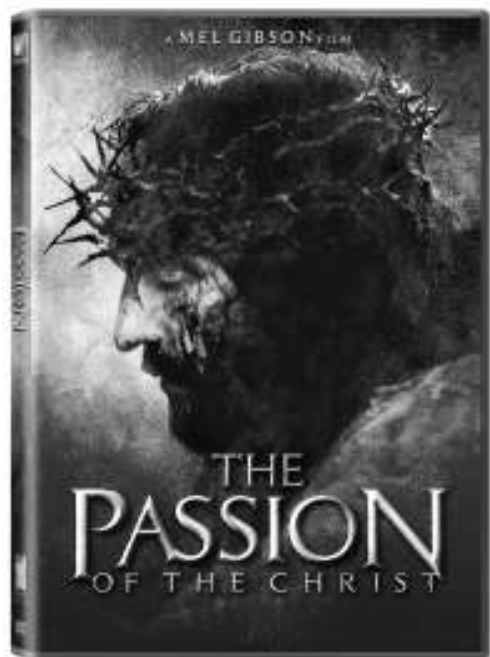
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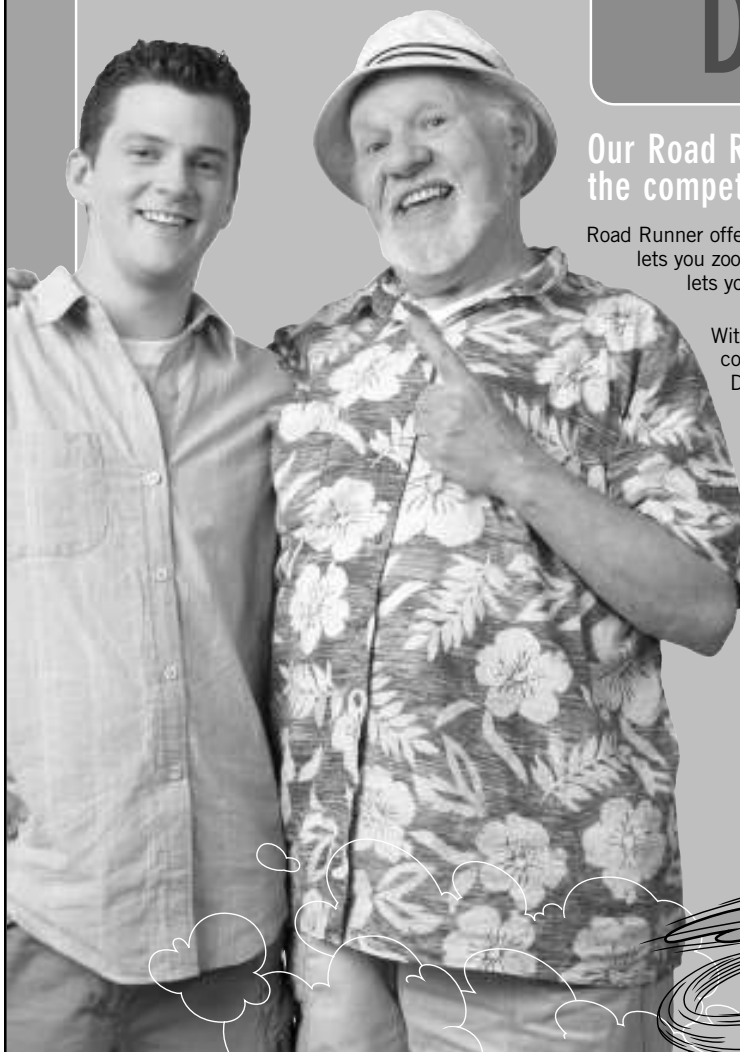
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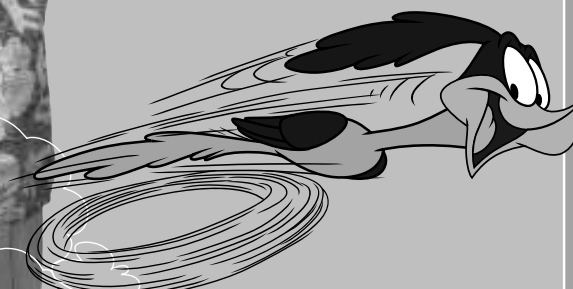


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FOAM ON THE BRAIN

by Josh Board

I was told that Janis had a party every year on the rooftop of the Gaslamp Plaza from 2:00 until 10:00 p.m. Since I had another party to go to later that evening, I got there a little after two. Only a few people were there. I asked Janis how they were able to get the rooftop on E Street. She said, "We have a timeshare here. It costs \$400 to rent for the public, but only \$100 if you have a timeshare."

Since she lived in El Cajon, I asked why she'd buy a timeshare in San Diego. She told me they can trade with people who have timeshares in other places, like Hawaii. Plus it's great for Super Bowl parties and watching the Street Scene. But her husband Jeff later said, "You can see everything at Street Scene, but you can't hear the bands well. Everything gets muddled together. It's fun to watch the crowds."

I saw two people sitting under an umbrella, drawing portraits of each other. I asked someone who they were and was told, "Even if you rent the rooftop, it is still open to the hotel guests here. I think they are just guests of the hotel."

Elijah Clark was one of the musicians waiting to play, but the person with the P.A. hadn't shown up. He made it an hour later, so we got to hear Elijah sing some great



PHOTOGRAPHS BY STEVE COVAVUT

originals, as well as some cover tunes. Janis told me, "I saw Elijah at my daughter's cheerleading benefit and asked him to play this party." When Elijah was waiting for the P.A., she said, "Don't worry if it doesn't show up. Even if you don't play we'll still pay you." I'm sure more local musicians wish they could hear that statement.

Janis told me she was friends with Len Rainey (the great local blues musician), and he had played this party a few years straight. He



Top: from left, lady who put dog down, Rebecca, Krista, Monique; bottom left: Elijah Clark; bottom right: Janice and Jim

they recognize. When I was booked to play Pala Casino, they wanted two hours' worth of covers. I got on the computer and downloaded a bunch, printed out the lyrics, and had to figure them all out."

I could see the Coronado

until 10:00, we sometimes go to the nightclub in the basement." He also told me many of the partygoers were in a club called Foam on the Brain. They make home brew, and each person usually brings a five-gallon barrel. One guy owns the Alpine Beer Company, and one of his reds won a big award called the World Cup of Beer.

Melissa was the cohost of this party. She told me that they were only allowed to have 50 people up here. Janis walked by and said, "We'll probably have about a hundred, with people coming and going. Don't say anything, though."

Janis and Jeff have been together 20 years and have four

kids. She's an Italian New Yorker and he's from Texas. They had a party here for their daughter's 18th birthday. She said, "We let them have the suite here to spend the night. But I was Gestapo mom, checking the closets and under the beds to make sure no boys were still here."

I guessed that this was an expensive party and she said, "We spent \$1000 on food last year. But we had some friends of ours volunteer to bring chicken and cheese enchiladas for everyone, with beans and rice." I saw a lot of other snacks all around.

Jeff went to Grossmont College with John Belushi's brother Billy. He said, "John paid for everything: his books, where he lived. He bought his parents a ranch up in Alpine. Billy was a lot younger than John and Jim. And when the mom called, she would always say, 'My sons are such bums.' A few times, we went up to L.A. to see John. We saw Dan Aykroyd once, and it was a crazy party. It was a lot of fun."

Janis told me they had strict rules. She said, "We can't have any open flames up here. Not even candles. This is a historic building, so they are probably afraid of it burning down."

I saw a sign on the wall at ground level that said it was built in 1913. My photographer Steve

"I was Gestapo mom, checking the closets and under the beds."

was going to be here later that evening.

I asked Elijah later if people tell him what songs to play at a party like this. He said, "No, but I try to do more covers because I know people want to hear songs

bridge and the ocean. There were enough clouds to keep it from getting too hot, and there was a small area inside if it got too hot. Jeff told me, "They have a shower here, and we have a suite. Since you are only allowed to have this place

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said, "I wouldn't want to be up there if there was an earthquake."

Janis told me there used to be a Jacuzzi on the edge. "It was great. You could smoke cigars and drink your wine and look down at the city. But they removed it because it didn't have access for people with wheelchairs. That is so ridiculous. And it cost them more money to remove the Jacuzzi than it would've cost them to put ramps to make it accessible for people in wheelchairs. Don't get me started on that. It makes me so mad. We have a son that is hearing-impaired, and our youngest son is autistic. So we know a little about the handicapped. When our son used to yell a lot or throw fits, we didn't take him out to restaurants. We didn't want to bother the other people. But to take something away that everyone enjoyed just because a few people can't enjoy it...and the owners of these places had no say in the matter. It made me furious."

I was bummed that I had to leave this party before seeing the lights of downtown. It was still daylight as I headed to the dinner party in Bay Park. When I arrived, I couldn't figure out how to get in. There was a locked wrought-iron gate leading to the front

door. Actually, it led to two front doors, one about two feet from the other. So I tried the back yard. I reached over and opened the gate and started walking down this dark pathway. I could hear people laughing and carrying on, but I didn't see anyone in the back yard. I looked up and could

tell it was coming from the dining room of the upstairs area. I checked the back door downstairs and it was locked. I walked back around to the front and couldn't figure out a way to get in. I'd make a terrible burglar.

After I spent a few minutes contemplating what to

do, another guy showed up. He didn't believe what I was saying but found out soon enough that we couldn't get in. He whipped out his cell phone and called the people inside. They quickly let us in.

I asked Krista, who was throwing the party for Rebecca's birthday, what the

deal was with two doors right next to each other. She told me she was renting the place and had no idea. A few of the people at the party spent ten minutes looking at the walls to see if there was once a wall separating the rooms. We couldn't find any signs that this was the case.

There was tri-tip cooking, and the table was filled with chips. The counter was filled with lots of wine. I was told that the good stuff was almost gone and we'd be moving to the "two-buck chuck." Not being a wine connoisseur, that was fine with me. One lady said she couldn't drink wine

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because she had asthma. Another added that her friend had the same problem but found one that worked. They started talking about the amount of sulfites and tannins in the wine. They asked if I knew anything about wine, and I said, "Only the lyrics to that UB40 song 'Red Red Wine.' "

I mentioned that the street around the corner had a yellow sign that said "Deaf Child." We all agreed that was a good idea, since drivers would be aware that a kid might not hear a car horn. But we disputed the handicap sign that was in front of someone's house nearby. Since I'd heard the story about the Jacuzzi getting 86'd because it wasn't wheelchair-accessible, maybe I was less sympathetic. But when I was growing up we had a neighbor who hated anyone parking in front of his house. He even called the cops, who told him anyone could park anywhere on the street and, unless their driveway was blocked, it was perfectly legal. Yet somehow, handicapped people are allowed to get the

curb painted blue. One person said, "You don't sound real sympathetic to disabled people." I said, "Well, the rest rooms that have wheelchair access are great. And everyone can use them. But I hate it when I can't find a parking space in a mall, and I see ten handicap spots with no one in them. And I've seen two of these curbs in Mira Mesa, and there never seems to be a car or van in front of the house. Maybe they should just pass a law that states only the owner of a house, or their guests, can park in front of it. What happens if a person is handicapped, but not the same handicapped person that lives at that house? Can they park there?"

Someone else added, "If you worked out of your home, would you be able to paint the curb green for a loading zone?" The response to that was, "It's probably residential and not zoned for that."

A woman who'd flown in from Seattle was at this party. And Ed, the guy who showed up and helped get me in, was also from out of town. He

went to SDSU with a guy named Don. As they were exchanging stories of their drinking days back in college, Don's wife got a phone call. It turned out the alarm on their house was going off, and the police had shown up. When Don left to come to this party, he had left the motion detectors on, and the cats apparently set it off. I asked if the alarm just alerted the police or if the neighbors heard it. As Don's wife was leaving to go home and turn it off, she turned around and said, "You think car alarms are loud? This is even louder."

When we went out on the back deck, we could see a neighbor's motion-sensor lights coming on every time a rat ran by on the fence. One gal who'd had too much to drink thought that was the funniest thing she'd ever seen.

Someone told me that I should try the chocolate-covered blueberries, but one woman at the party was boggling them. I occasionally glanced over, hoping she'd set them down. Finally I just grabbed some chips. As I had

one in my hand talking to someone, I felt it being snatched out of my hand. A little dog had jumped up and grabbed it.

There were a few cheesecakes, and a gal named Monique couldn't believe I didn't like cheesecake. We started talking about desserts, and Don said he makes something called Don's Death by Chocolate. I think he said it had two pounds of semisweet chocolate, a half-dozen egg yolks, a cup of whipped cream, and he bakes it into a torte.

Wait a second. Did I actually put a recipe in this column?

I wandered back into the kitchen for more wine and saw Rebecca washing dishes. I guess when most of the guests at a party are female, you have to expect that someone will start cleaning up while the party is still going on. (Is that sexist?)

One lady I talked to outside was bummed about having to put her dog down the following Monday. I wondered if her seeing the other two dogs at this party was a

reminder of this. We were shocked to hear that her boss wasn't too pleased with her taking that day off. We debated whether it's better to tell your boss why you are taking a day off or to just call in that morning with a fake cough and distorted voice, claiming you are really sick. Sometimes honesty isn't the best policy.

As the party was ending, a good-looking young guy showed up. He had just moved to town to go to SDSU and is a cousin of Krista's. He talked about a party he went to with a high school friend who now played Double-A baseball. The story involved him turning 21, getting drunk for the first time, starting a fight in a nightclub by kicking someone, and throwing up all over his new BMW.

When Monique was getting ready to leave, she and Krista were talking about lip gloss and lipstick. I said to Don, "Well, you gave them a great recipe. But they have to continue talking about girlie stuff like makeup and lip gloss." Krista said, "Do you

want to try this out?" She started walking over, and I thought she was going to put some on my lips. Instead, she grabbed me and planted a big kiss on my lips. I looked over at Don and his jaw was on the floor. I had heard Krista saying earlier that she won \$5400 at one of the Indian casinos. Maybe that just put her in a more playful mood. But I thought I'd see how much luck I'd have. I said to Monique, who was beautiful and dressed well, if she had different lip gloss and how maybe I should try that. Don looked at me as if I was nuts. Or maybe as though I had a pair of big nuts, I couldn't tell which. Monique paused for a second. She smiled and said, "I hope I see you at another party sometime," and she walked out.

Don said, "Good try." I went home and made his Death by Chocolate. (Well, that's the G-rated ending, anyway.) ■

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SASCHA CLARK & ZACH STARR

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Zach Starr and Sascha Clark look like the perfect San Diego couple. He's a surfer dude. She's the pretty girl next door. You'd never guess they met in Texas.

"Zach was my roommate's boyfriend's best friend," Miss Clark, 26, explains on an October afternoon in La Jolla.

"We were going to school at St. Phillip's College in San Antonio."

"A bunch of us went out to play paintball," Mr. Starr, 24, picks up the thread. "I noticed Sascha right away. But she had a boyfriend." Mr. Starr pauses. "I figured only one relationship in your lifetime ever really works out. So I thought, 'I'll be patient.'"

Mr. Starr's patience paid off. "We first saw each other in

October 2000," he continues. "The next spring, I heard Sascha had broken up with her boyfriend. I went out to dinner with a bunch of my friends. Afterward, we went to the place where Sascha worked, Jack's Patio Bar. I asked her for her number."

"I was a waitress," Miss Clark says. "Guys were always asking for my number. Zach was the only one I ever gave it out to."

The number exchange occurred on a Friday. Mr. Starr called Miss Clark on Monday. He asked her out to dinner. She said yes. "We went to a Cajun restaurant and then to Dave and Buster's," Miss Clark remembers. "We hit it off right away."

"It was all fun," Mr. Starr agrees. "We found out we both have the same favorite band — 311. We both love movies. We both love running. We exercise a lot together."

"And we both really love dogs," Miss Clark adds. "We have a Corgi mix that I bought Zach for Christmas last year. And we just got a purebred Husky three months ago."

Since that first date on July 3, 2001, the couple has seen each other almost every day. "I said, 'I love you' first," Mr. Starr confesses.

"It was pretty quick," Miss Clark confirms.

"July 14. We were watching *Fight Club* at home."

Mr. Starr waited a while longer before he proposed. On Christmas Eve of last year, he popped the question. "It was kind of a surprise," Miss Clark says. "We had looked at rings in November. That was a total surprise. One day, Zach said, 'Let's go look at rings.' I said, 'Okay.' We went to the mall and looked at about five or six jewelry stores. At every store, I picked out my favorite ring. But we didn't buy a ring, and I didn't know when he was going to propose."

"I figured Christmas is the most special day of the year," Mr. Starr explains. "We stayed up until midnight on Christmas Eve. We were at my parents' house in Texas. I had turned out all the lights except the lights on the Christmas tree. I got down on one knee and said, 'I love you with all of my heart. I want to spend the rest of my life with you. You complete me.'"

Miss Clark said yes and accepted a large center solitaire set in white gold surrounded by two side diamonds and a row of baguettes.

Miss Clark, who had finished her studies at St. Phillip's, became a respiratory therapist. A traveling assignment brought the couple to San Diego. "I'm working at Kaiser Permanente for another month. Then we're moving to Los Angeles where I'll be at UCLA Medical Center."

The impending move north suits Mr. Starr. "I want to be an actor," he says. "In San Antonio, I did four or five commercials and some print work. I haven't been able to get any acting work here in San Diego, but I hope to in L.A."

"If we can afford it, we want to get married in Maui," Miss Clark adds. "Barefoot on the beach. We want something really tropical with just immediate family and close friends. And lots of fresh flowers. You know, the leis and the flower wreaths."

Beyond the wedding, Mr. Starr and Miss Clark have big plans. "Once Zach's acting career takes off," Miss Clark says, "I want to go back to school and get my Ph.D. I want to teach respiratory therapy at the college level. And we want to have at least one kid."

— Leslie Ryland

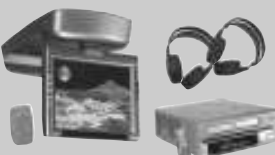
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Matrimony, California Style

"They say love is blind... and marriage is an institution. Well, I'm not ready for an institution for the blind just yet."
— Mae West

When I was 16, I dreamt of the moment when a man would get on his knee, look me in the eyes, and say something like, "I was lost until I found you. You are my life. Will you be my wife?"

When I saw the words "Native American Smudging Ritual" on the program, I worried for the white of Jen's wedding dress. Smudging sounded like dirty business. David, who spent most of his life in Boston, took one glance at the items on the itinerary and said, "This will be my first 'California wedding.' I'm used to traditional ceremonies, aside from the one I crashed where everyone wore costumes."

Jen's bridesmaids wore the same shade of dark brown that graced the invitations. All flowers were autumn colors, and rather than in a church, the wedding was held outdoors at San Dieguito Park in

Del Mar. I've been a bridesmaid twice — for my two older sisters. At Jane's wedding (the second to get hitched) I wore sea-foam green, a color that did not look good on any of the six bridesmaids. Everyone but Heather (who helped choose the dreadful color) gave Jane a hard time about the unflattering hue. We were even backed by the corporate might of MasterCard — a week before the big day, we caught a commercial that went something like this: sea-foam green shoes, \$38; sea-foam green dress, \$100; a friend for whom you would wear sea-foam green, priceless.

When I was 16, I dreamt of the moment when a man would get on his knee, look me in the eyes, and say something like, "I was lost until I found you. You are my life. Will you be my wife?" Nowadays, I prefer the word

"mistress" to "wife" (and when I say "mistress," I don't mean "the other woman") — my idea of romance has changed a lot since my teens, as has my definition of what makes a strong and lasting relationship.

However, this does not keep me from rejoicing for the many in my life who choose the literal path down the aisle. The most recent wedding I attended was that of my good friend Jim Styn and his lovely lady, Jen. I've known the Styns since 1995, long before brother John's hair was pink and Jim's hair was short and before their father, Ron, was a superior court judge. The boys' mother, Sue, has always been consistently fabulous.

As we sat in rows of white chairs (I can't believe I scored a seat in the second row, right behind the parents of the groom!), I thought of my sisters' weddings. More accurately, I thought of the stress involved with my sisters' weddings, shared by my mother, sisters, and bridesmaids. In my family, any big event on the calendar is full permission to freak the fuck out. Even today, my heart skips a beat when I leave home to attend a significant gathering, the reaction is ingrained — something's going to go wrong! What if *this*? What if *that*? Holy shit, it's not going to *work*!

Jim came to greet us before the ceremony began. He was so calm, so happy...I wanted to stress *for* him. At the castle in Ramona for Jane's moment, we bridesmaids killed three bottles of champagne to take the edge off prior to walking the aisle. We hiccuped and cried our way

through the poignant vows, as did all of the groomsmen and the couple between us. Jim gave us a hug and made his way around the rest of the gathering crowd. While we waited for things to begin, an African band (consisting of three white guys in tie-dye) entertained us with drums and wooden flute.

It was truly a family affair. Caleb, Jim's 91-year-old grandfather, gave the blessing and sermon. The man has officiated over 1000 weddings in his lifetime. Tracy, cousin of the groom, performed the "smudge." I was relieved to see the burning sage rather than the mud I was expecting. She waved it around the couple and returned to her seat. If I had made it to the last page in the program, I would have learned earlier that "Smudging, usually performed with burning sage, is a Native American ritual used to purify people and places before a sacred ceremony."

As Jim and Jen exchanged vows, I couldn't control my tears of joy anymore than I could when our friend Gaidi and his Naima shared theirs this year in the MoPA theater. David and I both cried during most of the ceremony, intermittently squeezing each other's hand. During Jim's story, "Wise Birds," about how two doves taught he and Jen lifelong lessons, many of us laughed through our tears.

I watched the groomsmen in front of me, boys I have "grown up" with who have seen me mature and become a woman in the past ten years. John, the brother and best man (whose hair was temporarily black for the occasion),

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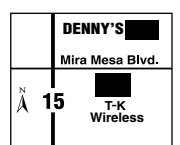
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stood before Deron and Brandon Cohen, also brothers. I have known them as long as I've known Jim. Brandon came back from Ecuador (where he's serving his second year in the Peace Corps) for his friend's wedding. John and Deron cried along with Jim on his happy day, and Brandon playfully poked fun at their tears.

Our friend Shonda led an "Om Shanti" chant, and after the newlyweds had their first kiss, she led family and friends through the Recessional, an a cappella version of "All You Need Is Love," by the Beatles. David said he'd never seen anything like it, with these worldly aspects brought to an otherwise traditionally western event. He wondered what the bride's family, here from Indiana, might be thinking. We spoke of our love for each other as we drove the few blocks to the country club.

No cost was spared at the reception, and everything was thought through, from the seating arrangement to the timing of the meal. Each table was named for some joyous aspect of the couple's lives. We were at the "Squiggle Game" table (a fun, creative game the boys play at smaller gatherings). Ben and Grace, whose wedding is in a few

weeks, were with us, taking notes and jotting down details they had overlooked in making their own plans.

Each guest was given a glass containing floating candles made lovingly by Jim and Jen, together with stones the couple collected. I fell in love with the centerpieces — straight-sided clear glass bowls filled with water, in which rocks rested at the bottom and flowers and candles floated on top. The only difference between this reception and most others I've been to was the dessert. Taking the place of the traditional wedding cake, friends and family created their own specialties, each identified by a small card, which informed us of the name of the dessert and the person responsible for its preparation.

I didn't stay long enough for any bouquet or garter tossing. But I did get to hear the wonderful toasts given by the men of Jim's family. I also got to celebrate with friends, and I'm honored to have been able to take part in one of the most important moments in Jim and Jen's life. I hope one day I will be able to reciprocate and invite them to a gathering at which David and I look to our community of friends and family and publicly declare our love for each other. ■

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At the start of 1904, the U.S. population included 82 million people. Almost all of them are dead now, but Bert Wilbur, Geneva Chester, Pearl Alsten, and Archie Owen have survived. In 1904, five-year-old Bert Wilbur was living in Philadelphia, where his father had given up a career in medicine to work in the family chocolate factory. Geneva Chester turned two that year in Aitkin, Minnesota — just a few hundred miles from the Michigan town that

Live to Be One Hundred

was home to Pearl Alsten. Alsten was a newborn in January, as was Archie Owen, who came into the world in Los Angeles, a few months after her father was killed in an accident on the Pacific Electric rail line.

All four then proceeded, for more than 100 years, to dodge the disasters that could have killed them. They never met up with a drunk barreling down the wrong side of a back road; never occupied a seat on an ill-fated airplane; never inhaled a chunk of steak. They avoided breathing in tuberculosis or smallpox or anthrax germs. No homicidal maniac knocked at their doors.

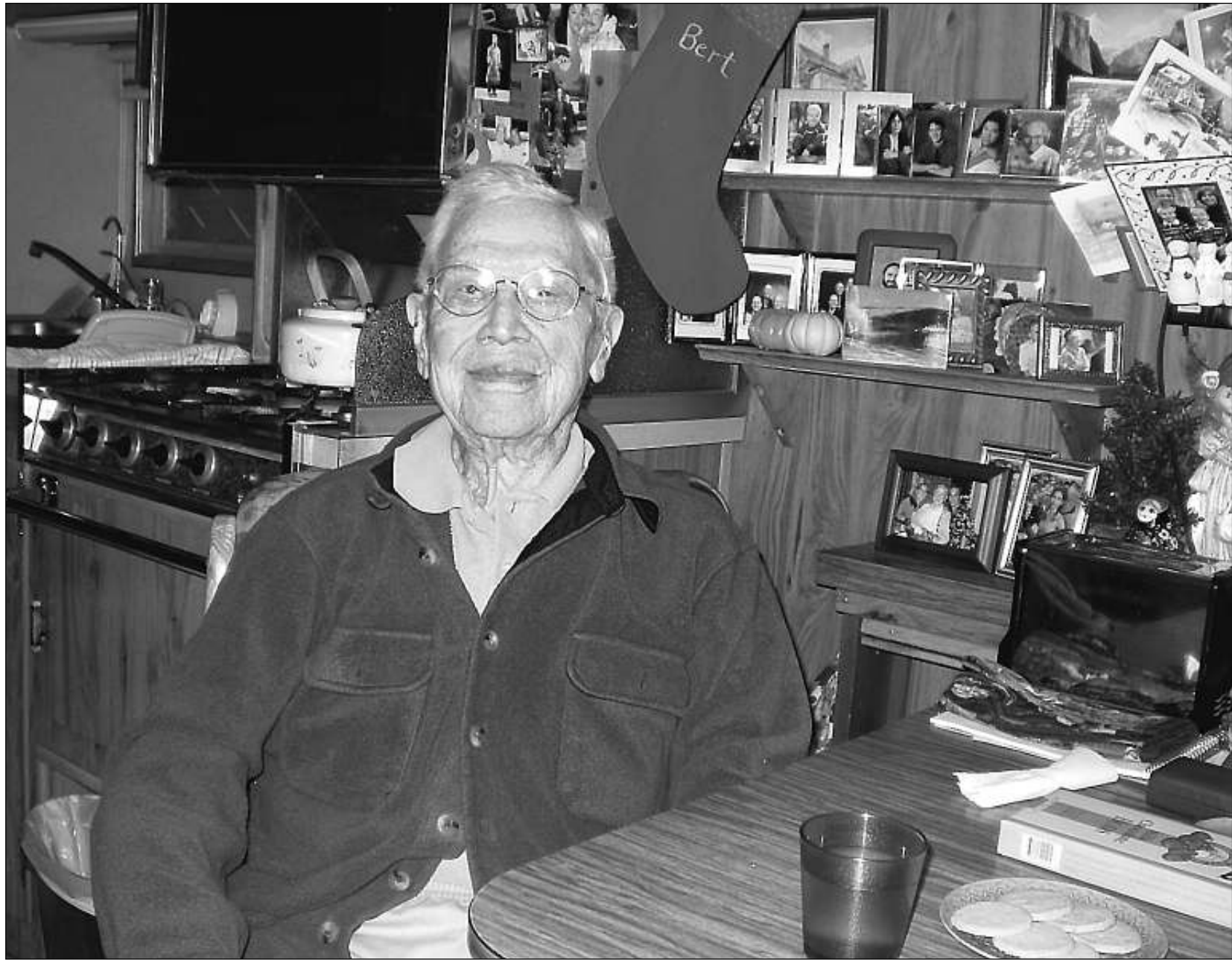
Instead, Alsten, Chester, Owen, and Wilbur each wound up living in San Diego County as members of the exclusive fellowship of local centenarians. According to researcher Beth Jarosz, the San Diego Association of Governments estimated that 519 county residents considered themselves to be 100 or older in 2003. (In 2000, the U.S. Census Bureau counted 5341 centenarians in California — more than in any other state.) Many centenarians are prostrate with ill health or dementia. But some have retained their mental faculties and are enjoying health that's fair or even better. Wilbur, Chester, Owen, and Alsten belong to this group. They're the ones I talked to while searching for the answer to this question: Is it *worth* living to 100?

It's a query that would have seemed absurd in 1904. Before the 20th Century, researchers have theorized, only one person on earth lived that long during any hundred-year period. Others have estimated that the odds of living to 100 have risen over the course of human history from one in 20 million to one in 50 (at least for females in long-lived countries).

Today the number of individuals passing that milestone is growing by about 8 percent annually in industrialized nations (compared to a 1 percent growth of the general population). In 1990, the U.S. Census Bureau counted 37,306 centenarians in America. The tally had jumped to 50,454 by 2000, and some observers predict it may approach one million by the year 2050.

I didn't delude myself that I could divine the *secret* of living to extreme old age by talking to centenarians. That's a task for scientists, and one in which some progress has been made. One of the most active research groups is based in Boston, headed by a geriatrician named Thomas T. Perls. In 1994, he and his colleagues launched "the first North American compre-

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Bert Wilbur

hensive investigation of the world's oldest people." Called the New England Centenarian Study, this project initially included assessment of the mental, physical, and emotional health of centenarians living in eight communities around Boston.

By 1999 the researchers had met with 169 centenarians and administered neuropsychological and personality testing to about 40 percent of them. Perls and his associate, Margery Silver, published a number of their findings in a book aimed at lay readers, *Living to 100*. Among other things, the researchers found that four out of five men who made it to 100 "were in extremely good mental and physical health," whereas the women ranged from those with independence and vigor to others "who were completely dependent and uncommunicative." Women outnumbered men by five and a half to one. Overall, about three-quarters of the subjects "suffered from some level of dementia, but the remaining 25 percent were completely free of significant cognitive disorders."

In the past five years, the study has been

expanded to enroll centenarians from throughout the United States and other countries. It now includes some 1500 subjects — not only the centenarians themselves but also their siblings and children, as well as younger control subjects. From this work, the researchers have come to some conclusions about the things that do and do not appear to make a difference in whether someone reaches extreme old age. "Not all centenarians are alike," the study's website declares. Centenarians vary widely in years of education (none to postgraduate), socioeconomic status (very poor to very rich), religion, ethnicity, and dietary patterns (everything from strict vegetarians to high-fat meat-eaters). But "few centenarians are obese," the website points out, and any substantial smoking history is rare. Preliminary study suggests that "centenarians are better able to handle stress than the majority of people." Among the women, late childbearing has emerged as a common thread. "From our studies, a woman who naturally has a child after the age of 40 has a four times greater chance of living to 100 compared to women who do not."

(The researchers think having a baby later in life "may be an indicator that the woman's reproductive system is aging slowly and that the rest of her body is as well.")

Perhaps the most striking conclusion is one articulated by Perls and Silver in their book: "Far from appearing weak, depressed, and confused, extremely old people often live surprisingly productive lives, learning new forms of artistic expression, and waking up each day with eager anticipation.... Even those who have lost those abilities in their hundreds are reported to have been robust as late as their nineties. Just as impressive as their ages are their attitudes. They have a fighting spirit. They take extraordinary measures to maintain their physical strength and thinking ability. They refuse to see age as a limitation on their enjoyment of life."

Generalizations and study results are one thing; real-life exemplars are another. I set about hunting for the latter, searching for news articles about local people who had celebrated their 100th birthdays within the past few years. I came up with a list of more than a dozen, but when I

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started trying to contact them, I had my nose rubbed in the grim realities of the centenarian realm (where the annual mortality rate hovers around 50 percent). Several individuals had died or grown too feeble to receive visitors. Others, like the 103-year-old resident of the Beaumont Village rest home in Sabre Springs, declined to talk to a reporter. But the Beaumont Village receptionist mentioned that Pearl Alsten might be a possibility. Pearl would turn 100 on January 18, 2004, she said.

"She is a goer!"

Alsten's daughter, Marilyn Terrian, agreed when I called and said I'd heard that her mother was thriving. Terrian joined us for our meeting, which took place five weeks before Alsten's big birthday.

Both women looked decades younger than their ages, and they had other things in common: well-coiffed silver hair, tasteful jewelry, attractive clothes. Terrian was plump and jolly and effusive, while her mother seemed more birdlike and unobtrusive. She'd been residing in Beaumont Village for just over two years.

Before that, the daughter explained, Alsten had lived in a little house in Sun City, Arizona. She'd been getting along fine there. "I really could have stayed by myself for another year or so," the older woman commented in a mild tone. She still felt competent driving; at 97 she had renewed her license for five more years. But Terrian had fretted that her mother shouldn't be so far from family members, so she persuaded her to move. "If I had left my home in Arizona, I would have cried my eyes out! But not her," Terrian said with admiration. "She just said, 'You have to adapt to new changes.' And she has. She absolutely loves it here. When

I drop her off, she says, 'I feel like I'm going home.'"

"Yeah," Alsten concurred. "I got accustomed to it pretty quick. I like it."

I could understand why. Beaumont Village shatters the rest-home stereotypes of bleak corridors, bad smells, and drooling, demented dotards. It might be mistaken for an upscale college dorm, one with snug, inviting lounges. Alsten lives in the "independent living" section, in a cozy one-bedroom apartment equipped with its own kitchen, although she usually eats in the dining hall.

"Mother is very sociable," Terrian explained. But she's not the type to go up and start chatting with a stranger. Terrian is. "When I was moving her in here, this gal started heading for the room across the hall." Terrian introduced the two older women, "and they became very, very close friends." Alsten has since gotten to know many other residents.

The New England Centenarian Study researchers have come to believe that at least part of the secret of reaching 100 is having the right genes. One of the strongest pieces of evidence is that extreme longevity seems to cluster in certain families. But that hasn't been the case for Alsten. Her father was in his 80s when he died, and her mother didn't live past 68. Her only brother passed away at 82. Her other daughter died at 59. "I have no idea," Alsten responded when I asked why she thought she had lived as long as she had. But her daughter thought several factors exerted an influence.

For one thing, "We come from a family that just gets along great. You know how in some there's a lot of dissension and fighting? Well, we've always had a very calm

family. And my kids absolutely adore my mother. So does my husband." Terrian also cited her mother's easygoing disposition.

"I had to be easygoing," Alsten interjected with a tiny smile. "I took care of my totally blind mother-in-law for 25 years. She lived with us."

"She had the patience of a saint, my father always said. 'What your mother did for me most people wouldn't do for their own mother,'" Terrian quoted him, adding, "Her outlook on life is great. Like, if she does get a pain, she says, 'I thank God I didn't get it 20 years ago.' Or she's always saying things could be worse..."

"You don't have to look very long either to see so many that are really bad off," Alsten said.

Terrian pointed out that her mother hadn't escaped firsthand experience with tragedy. One of her grandsons (Terrian's son) was murdered nine years ago while working at a branch of the Price Club. And, "Her first husband burned to death," Terrian disclosed.

"That was terrible to go through," Alsten acknowledged with a nod. "Years back, you laid up your cars in the winter. And he was off working on the car in the garage, and he had a little stove in there to keep warm. And he grabbed a can of gasoline instead of kerosene to light the stove."

"My sister was only four. The neighbors got her out," Terrian added. But Alsten's husband died of his injuries.

This happened in upper Michigan, where Alsten grew up. After the accident, a family acquaintance "befriended Mother and helped her, and then they ended up getting married." This man later became the head of the Teamsters union in the Upper Peninsula. With him

Alsten conceived Terrian, who recalls that her mother was a storybook housewife. "She always got up early and did all her housework. Then about four o'clock, she'd put a new clean dress on. And of course they wore aprons in those days. She got dinner on. She sat and read the paper. And then she looked nice when my dad came home, and she had time for him at night. She had a little schedule."

Alsten was more than five years older than Arnold, her second husband, but she says she never could hide her age. "He always boasted about it," she says. "He thought he had everything planned out. He said, 'Okay, you're five years older than I am. Women live longer than men. So we'll probably both go about the same time.'"

Arnold retired at 57, and in 1968, the couple moved to San Diego County, where both daughters had settled. The senior Alstens lived in a trailer park in Santee for 16 years that were golden indeed, Alsten attests. She felt as good then as she had in her 20s. She and her husband traveled throughout the United States and even ventured on one trip into Mexico. For 23 years, they never missed spending their summers in Michigan. "We'd leave about the first of May and come back in October. And we had this little mobile home that was our place there, and we were all with old friends." When I asked Alsten what was her favorite time in her entire life, she cited this period, when she was in her 70s.

She and her husband finally moved to Sun City, attracted by the community and the real estate prices. But in 1991, Arnold died of a brain tumor. He was 82. Instead of following him to the grave, his 87-year-old wife continued on in excellent health, her

interest in new experiences intact.

"Even at her age now, you say, 'Hey, Mom, you want to go here?' And she always says, 'I'm game.'"

"I try," the older woman agreed.

"She even flew when

she was 98! She flew all by herself to Chicago." Terrian sounded proud of this. The daughter says only in the last year or so has her mother begun to need more reassurance, for example, in church when it's time for Com-

munion. "I always say, 'What will people think! I'm going ahead of my mother!'"

"I used to lead. Now I follow." Alsten smiled. She sounded serene about the change.

They attend St.

Michael's Catholic Church in Poway. A shuttle bus takes Alsten there from Beaumont Village. After Mass, Terrian, her husband, Alsten, and some friends go to breakfast, "and then we either take her home for a nap

or we bring her to our house." The rest of the week, mother and daughter usually see each other several more times. When Alsten moved back to San Diego County, Terrian made her join the Diamond Gateway, a local



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social and philanthropic club of which Terrian is a longtime member. They play bunco every Thursday, and the two women also love to shop. "She's so meticulous about her dress," the daughter said. "And she still loves to buy

clothes. She'll say, 'Oh, Marilyn, I know I don't need this. But isn't it cute?' " Every three or four weeks, they try to get out to the Barona Indian casino to play the slot machines. "That's her favorite place," according

to the daughter. "But you know what she says when she goes in? 'I'm only going to lose. I don't know why I go here. I have so much fun, but I'm only going to lose.' " It's the sole time Alsten's perennial optimism

evaporates, the daughter noted. When they're not together, Alsten keeps busy. She gets the paper every morning and watches the news on TV, though she confessed that current events interest

her less and less. She's never been a good sleeper, so she often rises in the middle of the night to play game after game of solitaire. She does this the old-fashioned way, with cards rather than on a computer. That's one

late-20th-century invention she never could get the hang of.

"The only thing that frustrates her now is that she's put a little weight on around her tummy," the daughter said. "But the thing is, when she was in Arizona, she worked in her yard. She did her own housework." Physical activity was woven into her daily life in a way that's absent at Beaumont Village. "So the clothes get a little tighter all the time," Alsten lamented.

"She could go upstairs to exercise," Terrian said. "They have an exercise room. But she kind of forgets that."

"And then they have chair exercises. But I forget that."

"It's never really been her top priority." Always slender, Alsten never dieted, according to her daughter.

"I don't eat — you know — two or three pieces of pie at one meal or anything," Alsten hastened to interject.

"But she does eat one!" Terrian riposted. In fact, Terrian thinks another factor in her mother's longevity may have been her attitude toward food after her husband died. "She said, 'I find that a lot of people don't eat right when they're alone.' "

Alsten continued, "So I thought, 'Well, I'm not going to do that. I'm going to eat.' "

"At night she always made herself meat and potatoes and a vegetable and salad."

Alsten admitted to me that she sometimes worried about how long her savings would hold out. Beaumont Village was costing her \$3400 a month. "But I say, 'Mother, don't even stress about it!'" Terrian jumped in. (She had wanted Alsten to live with her but yielded to her mother's desire for independence.) "When it comes to that, we'll work it out."

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there were so many positive things to reflect on. Alsten's hearing was excellent, her handwriting strong and lovely. She didn't suffer from the arthritis that often afflicts centenarians. Aside from estrogen and thyroid pills, her only daily medication was a mild antihypertensive she started taking at 99. Of her 7 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great-grandchildren, several live in Southern California, so she can see them from time to time. "Moving here has been nice," she murmured. "Ending my days with my family around."

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Geneva Chester, at 102, occupies a very different sort of boat. "I'm the last one of my family," she told me. She never had children. Her father was 72 when he died, her mother 75, her husband 80. Her only brother, a



Pearl Alsten and Marilyn Terrian

lifelong asthmatic, succumbed at 60, while her sister reached the age of 94. By the time of her sister's death in 1998, the two had grown apart. Chester says her sibling always lived in one place, while "I was a gadabout."

It seems symbolic that Chester now lives in a mobile home; over the years, she moved around

so much. When she was 15, her father, a retired minister, transplanted his family from Aitkin, Minnesota, to Pomona, California, and then to Los Angeles. Chester graduated from Manual Arts High School in Los Angeles, and over the next 20 years, she became entangled with two scoundrels, one of whom she mar-

ried. She didn't want to talk to me about these failed romances and froze with embarrassment when she admitted she had lived in sin with one of the men. Later she fled to Hawaii.

"I was working at Pearl Harbor when it was bombed," she informed me. "I worked for Pacific Naval Air Bases." But the

Japanese attacked early on a Sunday morning, when Chester was home in Waikiki. A few years later, she had changed jobs and was helping to manage a hotel on Waikiki Beach. She recalls that she bristled whenever sailors made advances. "But a man came in one day. He strolled in with his hat cocked to one side. He stood back. He didn't even touch the counter of the desk. I thought he was pretty nice. So I asked him if he wanted me to put his name on a list to call when I had an opening. Instead of putting his name at the bottom, I put it on top. I called him, and we eventually married. And that was a good marriage. That was a beautiful marriage. We were married 42 years."

Chester has a laugh you might expect to hear from a goofy teenage girl, a soft, high "he-he-he" that she emitted often

during our conversation. Slender and short, she's got ivory-colored hair, as lush and full-bodied as glass wool. She says her beloved husband, Les Chester, was four years younger. "But he was gray-haired when I met him. He had beautiful gray hair." He also had an appetite for adventure that matched or exceeded her own.

He had attended the University of Alaska and hankered to return to the territory. "But he always said he would never go back without a wife." After their wedding, Geneva, then in her mid-40s, asked what he was waiting for.

She says he talked to one of his former professors who had a working gold mine and knew of another promising area. Once in Alaska, "We went to the commissioner," Geneva recalled, "and asked him what was available. And he said, 'Well, I've got a cabin on

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the river that you could have for \$100.' He drew us a map on an envelope and sent us out to the cabin. It was 20 miles from a little village called Eagle." No roads went to the cabin, nor was there much of a trail. "So we walked, and when we got there, my husband asked me, 'What do you think?'"

"Oh," she breathed out, recalling for me the memory. "This is great," she told him. "I loved it

from the first.... I loved the wilderness." Once they had settled into the cabin, she learned to catch rabbits with a trapline she set every day, feeding her haul to their malamute dog. "He'd eat a rabbit a day," she recalled. "One time I caught five snow-white rabbits. We had one luxury. Our outhouse had a rabbit-fur seat."

Chester says she and her husband learned to

use a boat to travel from Eagle to the cabin via the Yukon River and its tributary, the Seventymile. When the waterways iced over, they followed a 23-mile path less grueling than their maiden route. They lived in the cabin for five years, sampling for gold and developing about 100 mining claims, according to Chester. But she says their money ran out before they could exploit any of them. They

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then worked for a trading-post company, living both in Alaska and in the Canadian Yukon Territory, before tiring of the long, cold winters. They moved to Samoa, where Les worked on a novel and Geneva managed a tiny hotel. During another period, back in the States, Geneva spent two summers serving as a fire lookout on top of Mt. Landon, while her husband worked all over the Pacific for government contractors, sending his checks back home to her. By the late '50s, Geneva had settled down in Susanville, a town in northeastern California, where she built a house for the two of them. "I drew the plans myself. I hired a contractor and a carpenter. I sent him pictures as we progressed."

After Les returned home and moved into that house, the two studied real estate and took the licensing exam. "He passed his first exam with

flying colors," she told me. "I wasn't as smart as he was. I had to take the test a second time." (She was 60 when she passed.) Both worked in the real estate business until they decided it was time for another change and headed south again. "We didn't know where we were going, really. We were driving two cars, and it was a rainy day, and we were tired, and it was late afternoon when we decided to stop. That was Oceanside. We stayed in a motel down on Hill Street. Then we spent a month on the beach. We finally ended up buying a double-wide trailer in this park." The year was 1973.

Chester says she liked the park when she and her husband first moved in, "But it has deteriorated through the years. We have quite a lot of foreigners in here now." That wasn't obvious on the occasions when I visited Chester. The park's not



Geneva Chester

far from the southern border of Camp Pendleton in a tree-poor part of Oceanside. Its byways are even more bereft of vegetation than the surrounding neighborhood. Most of the trailers are white and surrounded by pebbles, and many bear inex-

pensive little American flags. I saw few residents of any nationality.

But Chester has made friends over time, and now, it appears, they're helping her to survive. One neighbor picks up granola for her at Trader Joe's. "Different

ones buy different things." Four days a week, a volunteer from the Meals on Wheels organization delivers a midday meal to her, "and then they also bring me something to make sandwiches with, for supper." Most helpful has been her next-door neighbor, a kindly soul whom Chester described as her best friend. "He's a married man. His wife is a nice person, but she isn't neighborly like he is." He helps her get to the grocery store, drives her to doctor's appointments.

Her health's not bad, she told me. "Except for my hip. I have osteoporosis. And the doctor tells me I have sciatica." Small indignities sometimes ambush her. "I went to bed the other night and as usual had a good night's sleep. I woke up in the morning, and I was minus a tooth." She tittered. "I don't know where it is. I guess I must have swallowed it. I didn't

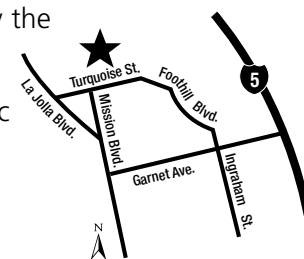
find it in the bed."

Her hearing aid helps her hear pretty well, although it started to misbehave at one point when we were talking. Fiddling with it, she muttered that she couldn't see well enough to tell if the battery had fallen out. Her eyes have delivered the biggest betrayal, she confided. The left one has macular degeneration, and she's had cataract surgery on the right, but she still can't see well with it. Now all she can read are the biggest newspaper headlines. "I've got lots of books in the bedroom, all new books that I intended to read when I got old. So I became elderly, and there are the books. I never thought I would be half blind!"

Listening to the radio helps her pass the time. When I first visited her, she was following reports of the Laci Peterson murder case. Also, "I sure appear to spend a lot of time sleeping," she men-

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tioned, sounding surprised. "I just drop right off. Sleep for an hour. I do that two or three times during the day."

"I have a friend," she continued, "who lives in this park — a lady who doesn't want to live to be 100. She's 80 years old."

Why did she feel that way? I wondered. Again Chester gave her distinctive giggle. "Well...if she couldn't see, couldn't hear, couldn't write, she didn't want to live." I wondered if Chester at 80 had wanted to reach 100. "No. No. I had no thought of living to be 100," she said. "I just did."

She never smoked, and she followed the spiritual practices of the Unity organization. "My husband and I had a cocktail every night before dinner," she added. "That was a pleasant time of the day for us, talking over the day."

"I lived a happy life for 42 years with my husband," she continued. "Until he committed suicide. That was sad."

He had had a prostate operation, she explained, "And it wasn't very successful, and he didn't want to be a burden to me. I would gladly have cared for him, but he didn't see it that way. And he always had a gun. Always." Chester says for years he had warned that he might use it, but she never believed him. "I said, 'That takes a lot of courage. I don't think you have it.' " Maybe he took that as a challenge, she reflected. "I wanted to dispose of his gun. But oh," she looked frightened, "he would have been very, very angry with me if I had."

Chester says the end came one day when she was playing cards with friends and they all went out to lunch. Upon her return to her mobile home, "He was lying on the bedroom floor." Was she angry with him for killing himself? "Oh, no," she murmured, then repeated, "Oh, no. I

couldn't be angry. That was what he wanted to do."

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I asked all the centenarians if they had any regrets about their lives, and most said they didn't

or evaded the question. But Archie Owen admitted to a big one. Not having children was a grave mistake, she told me. She and her husband were first cousins, so they decided not to produce any offspring. "My hus-

band would like to have adopted children, but I said, 'You don't know what you're getting.' My biological training made me too fearful." But if she had gotten "a good one," Owen reflected, "Then I probably wouldn't be in

this situation" — living in a retirement home instead of with family members. "You'd be having your grandchildren visit you and having someone to look after you that you were sure of."

When we talked, Owen, who turned 100 on January 16, was living in Las Villas de Carlsbad, another spiffy eldercare facility. She wasn't complaining about the service. "They take very good care of you," she

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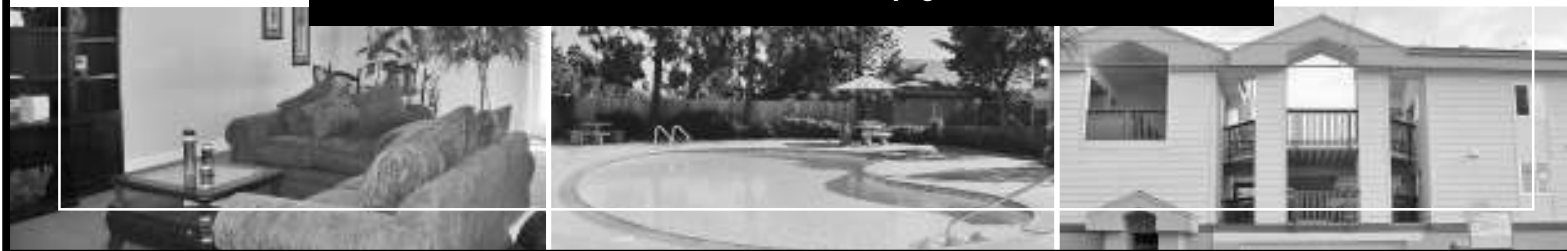
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informed me. "Like right now, I have a little cold, and they'll look after it. Of course, you pay quite a lot." She was rattled by the bad luck that had befallen her a few weeks before, when she had stumbled and broken a bone in her left forearm. The mishap had necessitated her moving from her pleasant second-story balcony apartment to the assisted-living section of the compound.

Arriving at her room there, I felt as if I were in a hospital. The room contained two institutional beds around which curtains could be pulled for privacy. A wall-

mounted television was aimed somewhere at the space between the two. Owen was sitting in a wheelchair, slumped forward a bit. Her fluffy, snow-white hair ringed a face covered with so many age spots it looked tan. Something about the passivity of her posture made me fear she wouldn't have much to say. But I was wrong. When she trained her deep-set blue eyes on me, they were probing and intelligent.

This is how she described her father's death in the waning months of 1903. "He was a motorman on the

Pacific Electric, and in those days, they ran a line out from Glendale, and at that junction there, one car goes off to Pasadena and the others go on. Then coming back, they stop at the junction." Owen said her father was in a hurry to return home to her mother, so he got out to help the brakeman, who didn't know what he was doing. "And [my father] got killed. He was in the hospital for a while, but he never made it out. He shouldn't have done what he did. I don't think she was ever compensated."

A month or two later, Owen's mother

delivered her into the world and named her Archie after her father, Archibald. "Mother was small but mighty, as my sister used to say," Owen reminisced. "She was a very beautiful, really small woman, but she never, never, never married again. So we had to make a living. And she went to Los Angeles and became a masseuse. In Alhambra, she had a ladies' masseuse parlor. That's where we grew up."

By the time Owen was 11, she was working every summer in an Alhambra felt factory. She was also a good student

and eventually won admission to the University of Southern California at a time (the early 1920s) when few young women strolled the campus. Owen's mother had yearned to be a medical doctor and projected that ambition upon her daughter. "So I was a pre-med until I'd cut up everything but a cadaver," Owen said. At that prospect, she quailed. Instead, she wound up getting a teaching credential, then worked, first in a San Gabriel elementary school, then at Manual Arts High School. "I taught biology and physiology."

"Really, I didn't particularly care about teaching," Owen confided to me. Later, after she'd earned a master's degree, she became supervisor of science education for the Los Angeles city schools, and this job she did enjoy. "I had a secretary," she boasted.

Her memory of the secretary seemed solid and immediate, but a fog appeared to have enshrouded other chunks of Owen's personal history. She couldn't tell me when she had married her cousin, though she guessed it might have been soon after World War II. She knew they'd

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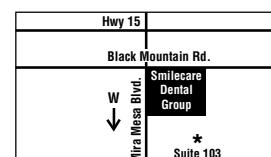
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traveled together — the period she identified as the best time of her life. But she struggled unsuccessfully to remember any of the houses she and he had occupied. I thought of all the days and nights they must have spent in those houses, the time and money and effort they probably devoted to them, and I marveled that it all could recede so far out of grasp, like the memory of people you

knew in elementary school. Owen did dredge up this recollection: "We bought land in Julian to raise horses. See, he was raised on a horse farm in Kansas, so he wanted to retire and raise horses. We bought land up there, and we were planning on doing that when he died. I tried living up there, but it didn't work, so I sold it and moved into apartments."

Owen told me that at some point she helped

take care of her father's oldest brother. "He was an old bachelor, but he had considerable funds, and I inherited them. Now I'm spending them," she said with a flash of droll humor. "I couldn't live here like this on a teacher's retirement." In the wake of her fall, she seemed resigned to never again living in her own apartment.

Before I took my leave, I asked whether Owen had any religious

faith. "I would say I'm a normal person," she replied. She and her mother had attended services every Sunday in their local Methodist church, but as an adult, Owen slacked off. "Now I doubt I would go to church," she said. She

didn't seem wistful. "I just say a prayer."

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By the time I talked to Bert Wilbur, I was feeling that I'd already answered my initial question. If you could have the good health enjoyed by Alsten

or if you could match Chester's pluck, it seemed reaching the 100-year mark wouldn't be half bad. Bert Wilbur erased any remaining doubts.

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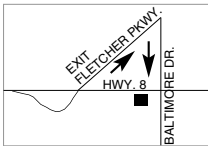
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with him in the tidy RV he's lived in for more than 30 years. Wilbur and his wife bought it in 1973, when they sold their house on Beryl Street in Pacific Beach. In that RV, they visited every one of the lower 48 states and three Canadian provinces. They set off for Alaska in it too, "but my brother got sick, and we couldn't complete the trip." Besides, Wilbur had already lived in Alaska. He was born there.

"Father's mother was a staunch New England Presbyterian and active in the church in Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania," he explained. A schoolteacher, Wilbur's grandmother also ran a women's Bible class. Somehow her group became interested in an Indian training school in Sitka. "She went up and looked the place over." When she returned, her reports fired Wilbur's father's imagination.

"My father at that time was in practice as a medical doctor, assisting a Philadelphia surgeon." But he took a leave of absence from this work and with his Bryn Mawr College-educated young wife. "They took the transcontinental train to Seattle and went by boat from Seattle to Sitka." Sometime in the early 1890s, they arrived at the Indian school. "There was a little hospital with probably three or four beds."

Wilbur thinks his parents enjoyed the interlude that followed. His father mingled with the Indians and enjoyed hunting with the school's first graduate. But the Presbyterian Home Mission Board in Philadelphia took a dim view of such fraternization, Wilbur told me. "They wanted souls tallied in the books, you know." Tensions between the church board and the young physician mounted, and when Bert's grandfather asked his son to help with the

family chocolate-making business, the son was ready to bring his wife and newborn baby (Bert) home.

The family was back in Philadelphia by 1900, and Wilbur's father found that the surgeon for whom he had once worked had taken on a new assistant, while the chocolate business was thriving. "So he gave up

medicine," Wilbur recalled. "Never went back to it." Although the Wilbur family sold the business decades later, Wilbur's chocolates are still produced today, Bert informed me. Someone had just sent him a box, and he insisted I taste one of the chocolate "buds" (a precursor to Hershey's more famous Kisses). The morsel that melted in my

mouth had a wonderful creamy texture.

Graduated from Haverford College in 1921, Wilbur assumed he would follow into the family business, but first he embarked on a bold adventure. "Father had a 1917 Ford roadster, and he consented to my taking it for a trip out West. So a couple of my college mates and I drove from

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Wilbur's eyes beamed with happiness when he recalled that

journey. He and his buddies built a box in the back of the car to store their clothing and food and other supplies. Only a canvas top and the windshield protected them from the elements. They switched drivers every hour. Most powerful was Wilbur's reaction to the landscape he passed through. "I fell in love with the open country," he told me. In Oregon he spent time with an uncle and his family on their apple orchard, "then I persuaded Uncle George he ought to buy the car." Wilbur returned to Philadelphia by rail and boat and settled down at the family enterprise, but "I hated being in the city," he said. Being the boss's son also felt humiliating. "Everybody kowtows to you, and you

don't stand on your own merits. They eventually made me treasurer of the company, and I knew nothing at all about that. I felt I wasn't getting any development because I really wasn't qualified for the job."

His salvation came in the form of a visit from a distant cousin who was trying to raise money to open a dude ranch in New Mexico and offered Wilbur a job on it. "Oh, boy! That was just like somebody had taken the roof off! I was so anxious to quit the cobblestones of Philadelphia and get

out West again! The job I was offered was garbage-man. Really!"

At certain times when we talked, Wilbur would squeeze his eyes shut, as if trying to press a memory into order in his mind. He did this when he recalled his first evening at the dude ranch. "They decided to put me on a horse, so they got the safest old cow pony they had. Roger was his name, and they got me on his back and got the stirrups adjusted to my legs. Roger was a real old horse, but anyway, he was able to carry

me. They were walking me around the corral, and I didn't know a thing about it, except I was sitting on a saddle. I had the reins in my hand. But then the horse moved, and I sort of lost my balance and just naturally clamped my heels on his sides. Well, that was the cowboy signal to go! So he leaped off and took me down past the ranch house, down the road to the gate! I could barely hang on." Someone finally stopped the animal before Wilbur fell off. "That was my first evening at the ranch."

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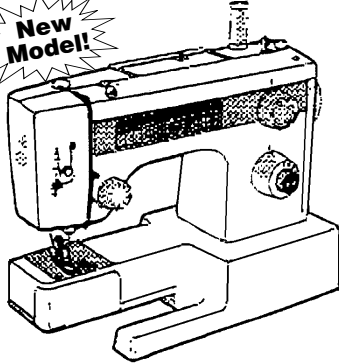
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He wound up in San Diego, taking a job at Kelly Ford on Fourth

Avenue and Beech Street downtown, where a brand-new roadster could be had for \$720. Unfortunately, "I never was a salesman," Wilbur admitted. "I don't know how many cars I sold. Maybe a half dozen." So he summoned up the bookkeeping experience he had acquired over the years and got a job in Convair's accounting department. He remained there until his retirement in 1965.

Looking back, Wilbur reflected that he had "more or less drifted from one thing to another. I never had a career plan or anything." He sounded a little disappointed in himself. "I mostly did what I had to

do. If one job played out, I had to find another to work again." The need for a steady income grew more acute in 1938 when Wilbur married a Los Angeles girl, 12 years his junior, whom he'd met through one of his early automobile customers. "She'd gone to college. She set up the first laboratory in Scripps Hospital." Together the two had five children, born between 1942 and 1951.

Wilbur's wife died in 1992 after a brief struggle with brain cancer, but all five children continue to live in and around San Diego, and Wilbur praised their efforts to "keep me fed and watered." For more than a dozen years, his little Silver Strand RV had been sitting up on blocks next to the Sabre Springs home belonging to one of his sons. That son and his wife look after Wilbur, but his other son and Wilbur's three daughters also help out. Sometimes they take him on outings or to Sunday services at La Jolla Presbyterian, where Wilbur has been a member for more than 65 years. Each reads to him when he or she comes to visit; a shelf

inside the motor home holds the books they're working on. Recent ones have included a biography of Charles Lindbergh, Andy Rooney's war memoir, a couple of books by former president Jimmy Carter. Wilbur's own eyes tire quickly these days, so he's switched to listening to books on tape. Last year someone gave him David McCullough's biography of John Adams. "That was a wonderful presentation, well told and well read," he enthused. Whenever possible, he tries to watch *The News Hour with Jim Lehrer* at seven every weeknight on public television.

He says he doesn't worry much about current events or the state of the world. "You can't do anything about it." But he admitted that extreme old age has not yet enabled him to shake free of worry altogether. He sometimes frets about the well-being of his loved ones. "Several members of my family have taken an interest in rock climbing, and I do worry about them.... And we all worry about traffic, I guess. I don't bite my fingernails about it, though.

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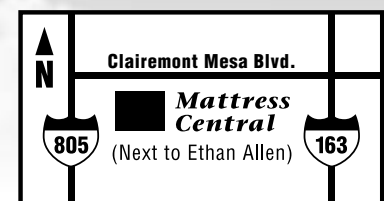
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Wilbur told me how he marveled at some of the poise and conscientiousness he sees. "There's almost always one little girl, just nine or ten, in every class, who you can just see as a mother. She's aware of everything that goes on in the room. She knows what needs to be done." Sometimes the children

surprise him. He mentioned how one little girl gave him a ball of colored tinfoil this past Christmas. "And in that ball of tinfoil was a little ball of newspaper. And in that newspaper, she had wrapped up a little piece of amethyst." She'd once asked Wilbur if he liked rocks, and he'd said he did. "So that was her Christmas present to me." He looked overwhelmed by her generosity.

Did he feel wise? I wondered, and Wilbur said he didn't. "I feel like I've acquired experience." More than anything, he felt lucky. Somehow he'd managed to avoid living through "any tough times." His life had been filled with kindness and love. Wilbur sounded like a man who had appreciated that blessing every day for more than 100 years. ■

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For the majority of my sophomore and junior years of high school, I was known as the “anti”; anti-school dances, anti-cheerleaders, anti-football games, anti-Southern California culture, and anti-social to the extent that if I decided I didn’t like you, you might as well not exist. My actions stemmed from neither bitter malice nor dark mood; I simply didn’t understand the people around me, and they didn’t seem too interested in getting to know me. I couldn’t understand girls who were “best friends” and then ended up screaming at each other or guys who trampled over you if you dropped your books; people who were always fake and who seemed like they had no idea who they were. I decided this was not for me and kept a close group of friends throughout my final school years, many of whom either didn’t attend my school or had already graduated.

I went to La Costa Canyon High, the mecca of overprivileged kids and plastic personalities...the land of fake Louis Vuitton handbags and undercover cokeheads. By the time I realized the crisis situation around me, I couldn’t have cared less about my reputation. I had cared for a while, going to all the right parties and hanging out with all the cool kids and never stepping on anyone’s toes...and then I stopped. I ditched school, but I always maintained impressive grades. I sauntered around campus in a Mexican poncho, jeans, and flip-flops.

I remember ditching history on a sunny day because the teacher refused to turn the air-conditioning on in the classroom. I strolled outside to the planters, where I lay in the sun with my knees up and hands behind my head. I eyed a group of guys about a hundred feet away who were staring and discussing my behavior. I got fed up and displayed both middle fingers for them, then lay back down.

Incidents like these caused my reputation to be varied; different people would tell you different things about me then. I didn’t like the way kids tried to manipulate each other, so I disconnected in my own way, whether it was nice or not. People knew I didn’t like the scene, and this common knowledge gave me the “anti” reputation of someone whose path you probably shouldn’t cross unless you had to. Those people who crossed my path would find me to be fairly nice and agreeable, so the judgment of my high school reputation as either positive or negative was a hung jury.

— Gabrielle Clifford,
La Costa Canyon H.S.

I was a seventh-grader trying to make friends with a couple of older eighth-graders. It made me feel important to be hanging around with an older crowd, even if there were plenty of things I couldn’t relate to them about. They liked to talk about music I wasn’t into, people I didn’t know, and sex I wasn’t having. Nevertheless, one of them, Alaina, took a liking to me and invited me to her birthday party.

Alaina and her friends had an obsession with the *Rocky Horror Picture Show*. They referred to the film constantly, bursting into song or reenacting scenes. I had never heard of it. Alaina announced that for her birthday party, we would be attending a midnight showing of *RHPS* at the La Paloma Theater in Encinitas. At the time, midnight seemed late, but I wanted to impress my new friends and my parents decided I could go. I waited anxiously for Alaina and her friends to pick me up.

As soon as I got into the car, two of her friends in the backseat grabbed me while Alaina undressed me and redressed me in a black corset and dark fishnets. Then she covered my protesting face with layers and layers of makeup. I was told I was going to look like Dr. Frankenfurter — a transvestite drag queen.

When we got to the theater, Alaina and her friends took plenty of pictures, and we went through the ritualistic “virgin initiation” by having large red Vs applied to our faces with lipstick. Before the show started, there were plenty of sexual games and crude comments led by a group of twentysomethings...and then there was the watching of the movie. By the end of the night I was very confused.

Alaina showed pictures taken that evening to most of our school, including my teachers. This may have gotten more people to know my name, but I didn’t much want to be associated with a drag queen. Alaina thought it was funny and still mentions it from time to time. I have a different perspective.

— Matt Franks,
Torrey Pines H.S.

Prior to my sophomore year in high school and throughout the beginning of that year, I had what I think was a good reputation; I had high grades, took part in extracurricular activities, and I was the poster “good” boy among my peers. It was also the year that I met and became interested in a girl I’ll call Brenda. It wasn’t long until we began to hang out during lunch at school and

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call each other during the evenings. It wasn't long until I began to hear the rumors about my new love interest.

Apparently, Brenda wasn't the girl that good boys are supposed to go for. To sum it up, Brenda's reputation was anything but good, especially when it came to boys. It's safe to say that she had a reputation of being "fast," if you know what I mean. I didn't care because I never saw this side of her. I still liked talking with her for hours during the evening and attending school dances with her. People began to take notice, especially the girls. Plus, my grades began to drop, and I stopped some of my extracurricular activities.

I brushed the talk off and became closer to Brenda, but as the year came to a close, so did we. Once we stopped talking I figured that my reputation would once again return to good-boy status, but that didn't happen. Girls that I knew still thought of me as a nice guy, but with a bad-boy undertone; the Brenda affiliation changed the way

they looked at me. Even some guys saw me differently. That image remains today, all because of the reputation of the girl that I liked two and a half years ago. But I like it!

— Brian Lawless,
Morse H.S.
graduate, 2004

I've always been in the "right" group. I'm one of the "good kids"; I get good grades and I don't do drugs. You'd never catch

me at some sleazy party with a plastic cup in my hand. But that wasn't always the case.

I went to a different school last year, but I was in the same "good" group. I hung out with the right people, I did my work, and did well on tests. But I also had a couple friends who were not in my group. This guy who came over to my house sometimes was always trying to get me to go out with him and "have

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some fun”...his kind of fun. So, one night, I went.

We drove to one of my schoolmate’s houses, and there were people in the living room smoking and drinking a variety of things. I felt kind of awkward, and people were staring. I was not expected there. We drove around some more and ended up at a bar. When I said I didn’t know what I wanted to drink, they ordered something for me. I couldn’t be the only one not drinking, so I drank.

Nothing exciting happened that night; I just broke out of my “good girl” shell...at least that’s what it looked like to the rest of the school. My friend told me a couple days later that some people had been having sex in the room next to where we were hanging out. I was disgusted. I did not want to be part of that group. So, I

didn’t go out with him again and resumed being a “good kid.” And a good kid I remain today.

— Elizabeth Owen,
Madison H.S.

I have always endeavored to keep a good reputation, and thus far, I’ve done pretty well, even though there are times when I’ve felt depressed for always doing the right thing when it’s not necessarily the popular thing. Most of my decisions have been influenced by the people closest to me, especially my family. At a young age, I saw how alcohol and drug abuse within my family caused arguments and irrationality. While I still love them, their problems led me to make decisions that I might not have chosen had I not seen the brutality of addiction.

Ever since I started

high school, I have watched many of my peers succumb to drugs. Parties were no longer events focused on goofiness and birthday cake. Instead, alcohol was the main event, and by tenth grade, my friends caught on to drinking. I was at one of my best friend’s house the first time I realized their actions. I sat in one corner of her room while she and two other girlfriends were giggling because they couldn’t feel their tongue after multiple shots of vodka. I felt alone then and, in a way, I still do because my friends are so obsessed with drinking and tell me that I am not fun because of my choices. Lately, they have gotten into pot, too, and I really enjoy hearing about all of the great stuff they did while they were stoned out of their mind over the

weekend. I wish I could let them know how much they are ruining their lives.

I can’t explain how frustrating it is to see so many young people drinking and doing drugs when they should be enjoying life, not cutting it short. I’d rather be considered square for the time being, rather than party hard and die when I’m 30 or never have direction in my life. I know in my heart I am making the right choices; I just hope that other kids will realize before it’s too late that alcohol and drugs are destructive.

— Stefanie Perricone,
Clairemont H.S.
graduate, 2004

It’s ironic that in this article about reputation I took so much care to write it so it would not affect my own. With the fact

in mind that my name would appear beneath the article, I wanted to take special care so this would have nothing in it that I would regret later. I believe it is the same care that people take to construct their own reputations for the outside world, and I don’t think I’m alone.

Even at my school I will do anything to avoid confrontation, but at home I’m more than willing to stand up for myself. Both of these pieces of my personality are who I am, yet because I wish to keep my shy, quiet, smart-girl image, I withhold my real feelings and opinions at school. Sometimes I wish I could be a little more outgoing at school. Not only that—I allow others to act in a way I dislike so I’m accepted as part of the group. I don’t swear and I don’t like to

hear others swear, but when I hear my friends using this language, I don’t voice my opinion. To be accepted I tolerate behavior I dislike. This is a part of myself I wish I could change, but I’m afraid that would change my reputation.

I have watched some classmates change their personality from one person to the next to fit into different groups. I don’t know if they are aware that I have noticed this, but I am compassionate to the need to be accepted because I realize I am doing the same by not standing up for my beliefs. I am beginning to realize that as I mature I need to merge these pieces of myself as I become the woman I want to be and not the person they think I am.

— Angel Sonada,
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She was a chronic sleepwalker. Usually when she “walked,” she did it only once every month or two. Most of the time it wasn’t a problem. Usually she wandered around or watched TV and then went back to bed or curled up somewhere in the house. If I was awake I would lead her back to her room. Other times things got bizarre.

There was the time the police brought her home after finding her walking down a deserted street in the middle of the night, dressed only in her bathrobe.

Or the time the neighbors, whom she didn’t know, found her one morning, sleeping on their couch. They were understanding and thought it was funny.

Then there was the night I came home late with a woman I had begun to date. About an hour after we arrived home,

we were in my bedroom, in an advanced stage of undress, when my roommate walked in, wearing her birthday suit and carrying a bottle of

paintings all over the living room wall.

She was a sweet person so it was difficult to be angry. Besides, she had the gift, if you will, of being able to act out her dreams no matter how surreal they became.

A few years later I had a roommate who was pretty normal and as responsible as you could ask for. At least that’s what I thought until I took an extended business trip to Paris.

THE SLEEPWALKER AND THE CLUMSY KLEPTO

When I returned home after ten weeks, she had moved out. I went ballistic when I found out what she had done. Before she left she helped herself to all the jewelry I had, a few kitchen appliances, and a dozen record albums.

My cat was missing, and when I tracked the roommate down, she said she had no idea where he was. He never returned.

My video recorder had a hole in the top as though someone fell on it.

tequila. She sat down on the bed with us as if she were ready to party. Unfortunately, my date wasn’t amused. That ended further romantic involvement. My roommate was embarrassed beyond repair.

The final straw was the night she created some Dalí-esque



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I decided to say no to any more roommates.

— Gregory Catalano,
Pacific Beach

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My roommate Bruce and I had been living together for a year. No problems. One day, two months before the end of our lease, he tells me he plans to move upstate immediately. To cover the remaining eight weeks’ rent, he has procured a roommate for me named Marvin. Bruce and Marvin went way back. Bruce said Marvin was a great guy. Great. Only later did I find out Bruce had known Marvin only three days. Bruce’s travel gland was secreting heavily; he was anxious to leave town and probably would have shit copper to back out of those last two months’ rent, much less stretch the truth about how well he knew Marvin.

Marvin lasted four days.

Day one:

I meet Marvin. His long, black, greasy hair falls down over his face covering only one piercing blue eye at a time. Later I was to ques-

While I was in Paris, I mailed her a cashier’s check for \$1500, made out to myself, and asked her to deposit it in my bank account to cover my mortgage and car payments. When I arrived home I found that the money was never deposited, and I was behind two months on both payments. She told me the check never arrived. Because it was an interna-

tional money order it wasn’t easy to track down, but when I did, two weeks later, I was told it was cashed at a bank a few miles from my house. The bank showed me a videotape of my roommate cashing the check. Fortunately, I had the \$1500 returned that night after placing a call to her father. I didn’t recover anything else.

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tion whether or not he did in fact have only one eye and wore his hair that way to cover the gaping socket. Shaking hands with Marvin was my first mistake. He didn't have a firm shake; it was more a loose, sweaty

hold — like being handed a dead fish.

"Do you have an electric razor?" were the first words out of his mouth.

"Yes...why?" I asked.

"I got crabs, and the doctor says I should shave

all my pubic hair off."

This was to be the first instinctive message my psyche sent as a sign telling me to get Marvin the hell out of my apartment. These "flash cards from Jesus" were to rapidly increase in number

over the next four days.

Moving Marvin's belongings into the house was painless. He brought with him a camera, a knapsack of clothes, a blanket, and a dirty trench coat he had found in an alley wrapped around seven dead kittens. Seven dead kittens; more flash cards. Luckily, the night went quietly as my first day with Marvin ended uneventfully.

Day two:

That night I invited friends over for a drink so they could meet my new roommate as he obviously had few friends. Someone brought over a horrible little board game where you had to tell opponents your most intimate sexual experiences. Big mistake. In the beginning it seemed harmless. Some of the girls admitted kissing their girlfriends on the lips: one of the guys had to tell

how old he was when he first masturbated. Then came Marvin's turn.

"Have you ever had sex with an animal?" the card asked.

Marvin grew silent, then seemed worried. My stomach gurgled.

"Answer the question!" someone yelled laughing.

Straight-faced, Marvin asked his own question. "Does that include full penetration?"

The room grew silent. I was so embarrassed, I actually left my earthly body and floated above it to escape the humiliation of rooming with this guy.

Day three:

Marvin feels friendly. He welcomes me into his room. The area now smells like a dead horse. Growing up on a farm, I often smelled dead horses, and this room smelled

like a dead horse. Next to his blanket was the only piece of decoration the room had to offer: an eight-inch-high porcelain effigy of a smiling Buddha with a devilish grin chiseled into the face. I made for the Buddha. "Neat," I said.

"Get away from that!" Marvin yelled. I backed up.

"Sorry," I said. "No, it's okay. Here." He handed me the Buddha. "It has a lot of sentimental value," he explained.

I didn't ask. After handing the effigy back to him, I nervously scratched my groin.

Going to work that afternoon was a relief. I needed fresh air. After work it was late and I fumbled for my keys in the dark. As I slipped my keys correctly into the lock, a ghastly scream bellowed out of the building. For a moment I thought

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I had injured the sleeping building by violating it with my apartment keys. Running upstairs, I realized the screams were coming from my apartment—from Marvin's room. I then figured out he must have been going at it with his girlfriend. Good. As long as I didn't hear dogs yelping I didn't care. Later I heard them leaving.

Day four:

I woke up early and stumbled lazily down the two flights of stairs to get my paper. Bending down to pick up the newspaper, I noticed what looked like dried blood trailing along the concrete leading up to the building. My eyes followed the trail of blood as it continued up the side of my apartment and onto my deck on the second floor. Running back upstairs, I noticed the trail led from my deck back down the hallway to Marvin's room. I knocked on the door.

"Marvin, are you okay?"

A grumbling oozed out from under the door. The phone rang, so I answered it.

"Is Marvin there?" It was a girl's voice.

"Hold on," I said.

"Really sorry about stabbing Marvin," she said. "But he got even by bleeding all over some charcoal drawing I was supposed to turn in for the semester."

"I see."

"Hope he didn't make a mess," she chuckled.

"Hold on," I said.

Marvin emerged from his room. His hair had been drenched with blood. Now that it was dry, it had turned to chunky dreadlocks. His one clear eye looked at me meekly as he tried to cover his bloodied left hand. It

looked webbed from the coagulated blood filling the gaps between each of his fingers.

"I got in an accident," he informed me.

"Phone," I said.

Later that day Marvin

left for good. I never saw him again. I heard he moved in with his girlfriend. The next week when the painters came by to paint over the bloodstains on the side of the building, I mentally kissed my deposit check goodbye.

Apparently, Marvin had gotten drunk, lost his keys, and scaled the apartment building the night his beloved sliced him open (Hand? Head? Arm?).

Cleaning out his closet with rubber gloves on, I

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to hang around the mall for an hour and shop while the film got processed. Forty-five minutes after dropping off the film, Bruce returned to the store. Apparently, a group of children were huddled around the Plexiglas

window that shows the film being processed by the machine. The photos are sent down a conveyor belt and dry in a separate section for all the world to see. Bruce walked over to the children and noticed some of them laughing and some of them crying. Bruce then noticed his own face next to Marvin on one of the photos remembering instantly the day the photo was taken.

Then Bruce saw the other photos.

Most of them were of Marvin and his girlfriend naked. Bruce panicked and ran out of the store. And to this day, whenever I see a pregnant mother or smiling Buddha I think of Marvin.

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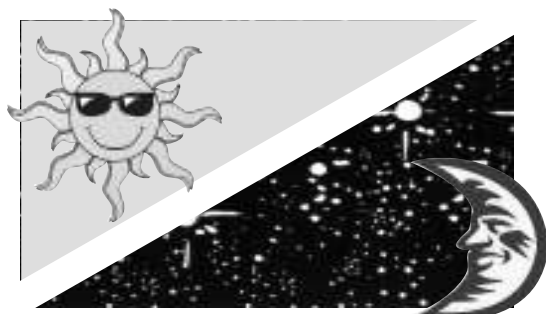
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POODLE SPRINGS BY RAYMOND CHANDLER AND ROBERT B. PARKER, 1989: PUTNAM, 288 PAGES

RAYMOND CHANDLER DIED OF PNEUMONIA AT SCRIPPS CLINIC IN LA JOLLA IN 1959. "It was a sad, faceless sort of death for a man who had so enriched literature with his wit and perception," wrote his biographer, Frank MacShane. The *Times* of London had this to say: "His name will certainly go down among the dozen or so mystery writers who were also innovators and stylists; who, working the common vein of crime fiction, mined the gold of literature." The *Los Angeles Times* eulogized, "Chandler had made the private eye a national glamour figure." He is buried in Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street.



Chandler left behind half a shelf of unpublished works: seven novels, four collections of stories he cannibalized for the novels, and a few screenplays, including *The Blue Dahlia*. He also left behind four chapters of a Philip Marlowe novel he had titled only *The Poodle Springs Story*.

These chapters were published in a collection of letters (*Raymond Chandler Speaking*, edited by Dorothy Gardiner and Katherine Sorley Walker).

The novel's premise, suggested by another crime writer named Maurice Guinness, was that Marlowe should settle down with a wife, a nice girl. Twelve years ago, when I read the chapters, the idea set my teeth on edge. The first four chapters of what is now a full-blown novel have Marlowe marrying Linda Loring (from *The Long Good-*

bye), an heiress with some \$8 million, and settling into her desert mansion in what is obviously Palm Springs. (Palm Springs, Poodle Springs, get it?) Although the chapters contained some good descriptive passages and vintage wisecracks, I felt the book was best left unwritten.

So I groaned when I heard that Robert B. Parker had been called in to complete *Poodle Springs*. Parker is the author of some two dozen novels (*A Catskill Eagle*, *Crimson Joy*, *Pale Kings and Princes*, *Taming a Sea Horse*, to name a few), most of which feature Boston private eye Spenser, the muscular, gourmet, politically correct detective with self-esteem for days. All this suggests that in *Poodle Springs*, we'd find Marlowe and Loring discussing Marlowe's personal code of honor, the psychology of machismo, and the best way to prepare *coq au vin*. These kinds of scenes are intrusive staples in the later Spenser novels, featuring his girlfriend Susan Silverman. Happily, for the most part, Parker resisted these temptations in completing Chandler's story.



Raymond Chandler

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Putnam's jacket copy trumpets Parker as Chandler's "most gifted disciple...the man considered the foremost interpreter of the Chandler tradition." Well, maybe. Did any-

one think of James Crumley? Crumley is the author of *The Last Good Kiss*, *The Wrong Case*, *Whores*, and *Dancing Bear*, among the handful of stylistically correct descendants of Raymond Chandler's legacy. Of course, Crumley is not as prolific or commercially viable as Parker, suggesting that the *Poodle Springs* resurrection project was to be nothing if not commercial.

Some good books have been written for money, but they do seem to have a certain odor about them, the smell of desperation, maybe. Desperation, because writing books is highly overrated as a get-rich-quick proposition. Parker, a regular on *The New York Times* bestseller list and creator of the television series characters *Spenser for Hire* and *A Man Called Hawk*. The story concerns Marlowe as a newlywed arriving with Linda Loring in Poodle Springs where, immediately, they begin to exchange good-natured but barbed comments. Marlowe about the opulence of the place: "I can hardly wait to take three or four baths and then go to bed." And

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his role as a kept man: "I'll get a pet monkey and after awhile you won't be able to tell us apart." Linda says things like: "Don't be nasty!... Stop it!... Blast you!... You dog!" As a character, Linda is a little anemic, but then women characters were never Chandler's long suit.

Marlowe drives into town to find an office and is waylaid by a couple of thugs in the employ of "Lippy" Lipshultz, who runs an illegal casino on the edge of town with the care-free, zany name the Agony Club. Marlowe comes out just fine in this encounter

and goes home.

Basically, that's all Chandler left for Parker to work with; the best-selling plotmeister takes it from there:

Marlowe goes to see Lippy on his own terms. The gig is, Lippy is holding markers for a guy named Les Valentine, who stuck him for \$100,000 and disappeared. He wants Marlowe to find him. Lippy works for a man named Blackstone. Valentine is married to Blackstone's daughter Muffy. Blackstone, like Linda Loring's father, Harlan Potter, is old money in Poodle Springs;

but no one seems to notice that he has the same name as the guy who owns the Agony Club. Later in the book, it even seems to be a surprise to Les Valentine that his father-in-law runs the joint. "Jesus," he says, "I didn't know that."

Really?

Marlowe takes the case and finds Valentine with relative ease. Without giving too much away, let's say Les is living a double life. Unfortunately, the reader sees this before Marlowe mentions that he knows it.

Parker, who has always been good with women

characters, has not done much with Linda Loring. She goes on in the "Oh, darling...don't be such a bastard!" vein. Marlowe is a "beast." Everything is "appalling" or "unspeakable." She sounds like some half-thought-out ditso from *Dallas* or *Dynasty*. One can't help but wonder what Marlowe sees in her when they're not between expensive sheets. But he loves her, and the reader — who pretty much can't feel anything about her either way — is just asked to accept that.

In Chandler's novels, Marlowe exhibits a dis-

turbing streak of misogyny. *The Big Sleep* comes to mind, in the scene where Marlowe savagely tears apart his own bedclothes after a girl had been waiting for him there, uninvited. But Parker doesn't explore this aspect of the hero.

Another puzzling element of *Poodle Springs* is the time period. Is this, as Chandler presumably wrote it, set in the 1950s, or has Parker updated it into the '80s? The '70s? Even the '60s? It's impossible to tell. Maybe Parker was going for a timeless-detectives/California-of-the-

mind effect; but if that's the case, it just doesn't work. Distracting anachronisms pepper the story: electric vibrators, contact lenses, tank-top shirts, and Vons supermarkets. At one point, a very well-drawn barfly character says about Les and a woman named Lola, "Are they a trip?"

On the other hand, a guy can be a "roscoe" or "a wrong gee." Valentine says, "You know how it is, Marlowe...you meet a lot of jillies...." Heard those lately?

Just a few more groushings. While the prose is lyrically descriptive at times

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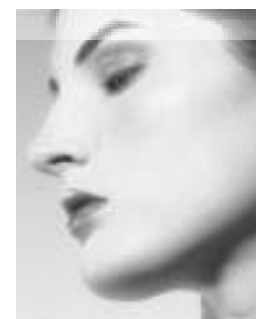
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and unobtrusively transparent just where it should be — very reminiscent of Chandler — certain lapses suggest this project was done on a tight publication schedule: “The car filled with the smell that cigarettes only smell when you light them with a car lighter.” Well, cigarettes don’t have noses, of course; and I would like to say, “That’s okay, I know what he means,” but I don’t. Light a cigarette with a Zippo, yeah, it has a distinctive smell. A Bic, a match — they have certain smells. But lighting a cigarette off a car lighter just smells like burning tobacco.

“Her lipstick had gotten blurred from frequent trips to the rim of her glass.” Well, okay. I know what he means; it’s just backwards.

“Turn around,” the voice said. “There was nothing gentle in the softness: it was the softness of a snake’s hiss.” Try hissing the phrase “turn around.”

All of this is more than made up for by some of Parker’s very best writing: Gimlets were for early afternoons in quiet bars where the tables gleamed with polish and the light filtered through the bottles and the bartender had a crisp white shirt with the cuffs turned back. Gimlets were for holding hands across the table and saying nothing and knowing everything.

This boozy romanticism is the real thing. You can sense the maestro smiling, nodding. Or here:

We danced among the tables and along the booths, down toward the front where a little sunlight filtered through the dirty windows. In addition to the old cooking smell there was the fresh, delusive smell of booze that made the air seem cooler. Val put her head against my shoulder as we danced in a slow circle around the room, and she sang the song that we danced to. She knew the lyrics. She probably knew all the lyrics to all the sad songs, just like she knew just how many four-ounce

glasses of white wine you got out of a half-gallon jug.

Parker gives us light and smell and sound and movement and a woman we’re pretty sure we know.

In a handful of sentences, he gives us all of this and the sad recognition that there are some things that will never be right in this world. That’s what Chandler used to do. That’s what

Parker wrote.

What we don’t have, really, is Marlowe. Through the first half of the book, he seems to be Spenser in Marlowe’s clothes. Maybe that’s not fair, but I don’t

remember Marlowe as a bodybuilder (at a dinner party a woman comments on his biceps), and he seems somehow passionless, even in his love for Linda. He’s funny and tough, but Mar-

lowe wasn’t always that tough. Parker’s Marlowe, in the first sections of the novel, pretty much just investigates. Chandler’s Marlowe did that too, but he also played chess and

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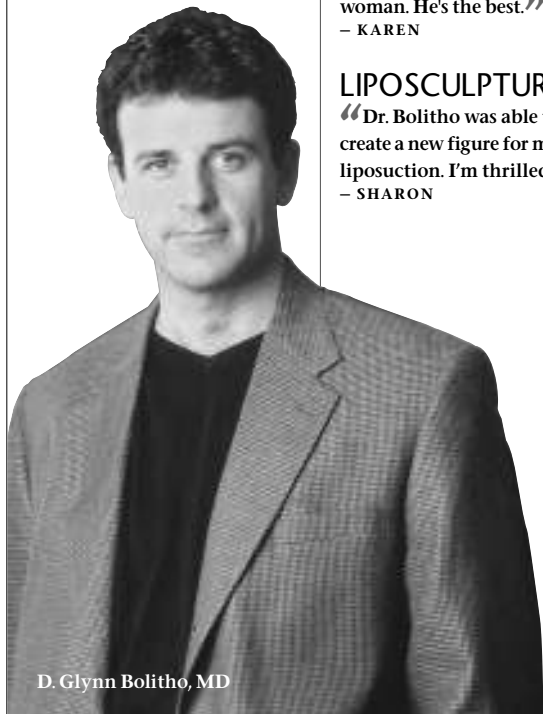
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got mad at himself and the world. Parker's Marlowe seems reticent, almost invisible, physically (except for biceps) and emotionally. It isn't until toward the end of the book, when Marlowe's having real problems with his marriage, that we hear the blue notes that Chandler struck so well in his character. It is as if, almost too late, Parker finally began to see him and hear him.

The ending is satisfying in ways that should please both Chandler and Parker fans. The plot is economically tied up (if predictable in its conclusion), and that's more than can be said for Chandler, who occasionally didn't understand what was going on in his own stories. The final 50 pages give us the sense that, indeed, we are in the world Philip Marlowe inhabited. A place of rain-slick streets full of neon or sunlight that's too bright, exposing the lies that people tell

themselves and each other and, of course, the existential doggedness of the Last Good Man.

In a letter to Maurice Guinness, Chandler wrote, in February of 1959:

[Marlowe] is a lonely man, a poor man, a dangerous man and yet a sympathetic man, and somehow none of this goes with marriage. I think he will always have a fairly shabby office, a lonely house, a number of affairs, but no permanent connection. I think he will always be awakened at some inconvenient hour by some inconvenient person to do some inconvenient job. It seems to me that that is his destiny — possibly not the best destiny in the world, but it belongs to him. No one will ever beat him, because by his nature he is unbeatable. No one will ever make him rich because he is destined to be poor. But somehow, I think he would not have it otherwise, and therefore I feel that your idea that he should be

married, even to a very nice girl, is quite out of character. I see him always in a lonely street, in lonely rooms, puzzled but never quite defeated...

It only seems fair that Chandler should have his say. There is no way of knowing if he would have finished *Poodle Springs* had he not died two months after writing those words. So what we have, really, is a Robert B. Parker novel. Despite a few lapses and a missed opportunity here or there, it's a well-told tale with stretches of the very best kind of writing in the genre, and it is informed with a real reverence for Chandler's work.

That's all you can ask for, and Parker answers well. It is an occasion to miss the maestro and cock an ear for the next voice. ■

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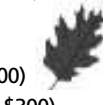
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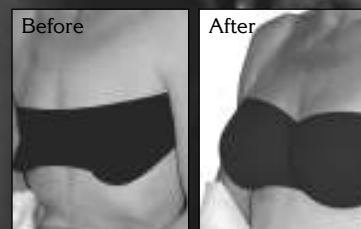
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since it was intended for recreational use by working-class blokes unable to afford larger craft, high maintenance costs, slip fees, etc. After slight modification and a name change, the Laser appeared on the market and began to receive the attention of sailors and distributors. Kirby and his colleagues never looked back, and the gradual rise of the Laser is just another aspect of nautical history.

Why did this little boat become so popular, and why is it the ideal choice for local sailing conditions? Low cost, low maintenance, and relative ease of handling are the primary reasons for the laser's success in San Diego. Although the Laser is designed for the solo sailor, it can also accommodate a thin date, and thus an aura of romance contributes to the boat's appeal. Aspiring sailboat racers are drawn by an established class, while destitute intellectuals are attracted by the scientific name.

A new Laser can be purchased for \$2750 at the Boat Shop on Cañon Street. This cost can be reduced by scanning the classified sections of local newspapers or by checking the billboards at marina clubhouses from Chula Vista to Oceanside. Somewhere in San Diego County, there's

sure to be a Laser for sale. Good secondhand boats with trailers usually run between \$1000 and \$1500. Some boats without trailers go for as little as \$350.

Once the initial purchase is made, the low-maintenance phase kicks in. No boat is easier to maintain than the Laser. Fiberglass hull and aluminum spars keep labor to a minimum. Even the most careful Laser sailor will spend more time rigging and derigging the boat than pulling tiresome maintenance (including the periodic weeklong overhaul, which is generally reserved for winter or early spring), a rather pleasant consequence of small craft ownership, since less maintenance means more time spent on the water.

It's all irrelevant the minute a sailor puts his laser up on a fast plane, for then the boat becomes a living thing and skims across the surface at phenomenal speed, accelerating like a bullet as it leaves the barrel and rises in its trajectory. Here is exhilaration; here is euphoria. Here is the reason why one becomes a dedicated Laser sailor, willing to forgo creature comforts in order to attain boat speed and elemental purity.

Some sailors can't handle the minor wetness and discomfort associated with

SAILA THIN DATE

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beaching, shoal navigation, and island exploration. At the opposite side end of the nautical spectrum from fast multihulls, carbon fiber trifoilers, ULDBs (ultralight displacement boats), International America's Cup Class contenders, and undeniably bad-ass Formula One racers, this 14-foot craft is a modest fiberglass monohull known as the Laser.

over 1000 racing events. The ultimate victory still lies ahead: when the Laser becomes an Olympic class in 1996, this humble design will finally achieve the recognition and status it deserves.

Designed by Bruce Kirby in 1969, the prototype Laser was originally named "The Weekender,"

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Laser sailing, so they choose other craft. Some prefer to crew onboard larger boats, an option acceptable only to those who are willing to abandon independence, surrender responsibility, and take orders from rich wanks. Some sailors move on to fast, high-tech multihulls and trifoilers, which blow doors on stinking monohulls, *unless* they happen to be carving bottom turns in head-high surf at Little Waimea. Speed is of the essence, of course, but *no* multihull or trifoiler is going to make the drop quite like the Laser, which surfs better than *any* other

sailboat in existence.

Seafaring types who can appreciate such characteristics usually stick with the program and become hard-core Laser sailors. These are neither racers nor clubhouse kooks; they are men and women who related to the natural aspects of Laser sailing. They are agents of a spiritual subdivision that can only be referred to as the Cult of the Laser.

Now let's trace the history of one particular boat: Laser No. 2069, a sweet craft known for her good karma and impressive record of successful party

voyages. No. 2069 is this Laser's true sail number, which corresponds with the hull production number; thus, she is the 2069th

boats constructed worldwide to class specifications.

Laser No. 2069 was built in 1972 at the Peterson Yacht facility in New-

Surfing the Laser can be dicey; the trick is to match the speed of one's boat to the speed of the peeling wave.

Laser built, discounting the prototypes. When Laser production reaches 206,900, humble 2069 will belong to the first percentile of all

port Beach. From there she was shipped to San Diego, where she was purchased by Captain Newgard for his young son Jesse. What

Jesse thought of her when he first saw her is beyond my imagination, for her hull was an ugly puke-green color, which detracted from the beauty of her gleaming white deck.

After six years of hard use, Jesse sold the boat to my brother Aidan, who paid \$600 cash under the condition that Jesse let him keep her on the dock at Coronado Yacht Club. Aidan paid the monthly storage fee and sailed the boat for several years. He and Jesse remained close friends throughout this period, and they often sailed together onboard the Laser.

They took turns at the tiller while exploring the bay and pounding cheap domestic beer. Thus Laser No. 2069 endured a substantial amount of abuse every time she was hoisted from the water and placed upon her rack.

Every Laser sailor knows the joint between mast step tube and deck is the greatest pinpoint stress location onboard the boat. All of the drive created by the rig above is transmitted directly through this joint, and therefore the fiberglass is prone to cracking and subsequent disintegration. If the crack is

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not repaired immediately, "glass rot" sets in and spreads like some insidious disease, ultimately destroying the entire joint and rendering the boat useless until a thorough repair is made. Laser 2069 developed a severe case of glass rot after my brother cracked the joint and continued to thrash hard. It was only a matter of time before the boat was decommissioned and brought to our house for dry storage.

I was working at the Naval Amphibious Base Marina in 1983 when I first took interest in the Laser in our back yard. I asked my brother why she was there, and he showed me the rotten joint. I told him I could fix it, but he expressed doubt, since it involved grinding away a mass of



rotten glass before laying in an invisible compound curve.

"Fix it and you can have her," he said.

I assured him I would fix the joint, but I refused

to change the name on the certificate. Having agreed upon this arrangement, we transported the boat to the marina and I began the tedious grinding and glassing process. The original

glass was really rotten; after grinding away the trash, I had to reconstruct the top four inches of the mast step tube, a circular area of deck perhaps seven inches in diameter directly above the

aforementioned tube and deck.

In order to attain maximum strength, the compound curve must be reconstructed with alternate layers of fiberglass mat and cloth. The first two layers barely follow the original curve. Once a rude approximation is achieved, the curve can be rebuilt by laying in countless thin strips that rise vertically from the mast step tube, bend 90°, and radiate outward to form the deck. Each strip must be thoroughly "wetted" or impregnated with resin before being laid upon a wetted surface. An occasional larger patch of cloth bearing irregular slits can be plastered to the underside of the deck and wrapped around the tube. Most of this work is blindly

executed by reaching through a nearby inspection hatch while crouching beneath the boat, which is topside down on two sawhorses in a suitable work area. Once the internal work is done, the boat can be righted for more grinding and completion of external and cosmetic work. The external work is fairly simple, but the internal work is a pain in the ass.

An absolute pro working full-time can probably finish the job in two, three, maybe four days. Working on company hours and using a lot of my spare time, I finished the mast step in less than two weeks. To prevent any reoccurrence of cheesy glass rot, I made the joint and surrounding surfaces well over an inch thick. No air bubbles, no bull-

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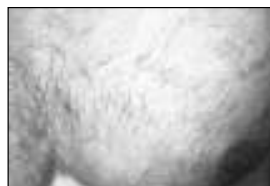


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shit, just an ugly compound curve of solid glass tapering away on all sides. The work wasn't pretty, but to this day, despite constant use, that joint remains solid, with no indication or promise of glass fatigue and stress cracks within the next century.

After reworking the mast step, I decided to spruce up the Laser by sanding, prepping, and painting the hull and deck. The shithouse color combo had to go before I took this craft out on the water. I painted the hull a rich royal blue, topped with a gleaming white deck, which made my little girl look like a million dollars. Slapping on some new CF numbers, I was finally ready to take her out for a sea trial. Naturally, this meant patrolling the beach on the seaward side of Coronado, my hometown.

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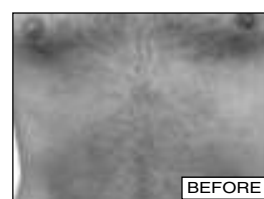
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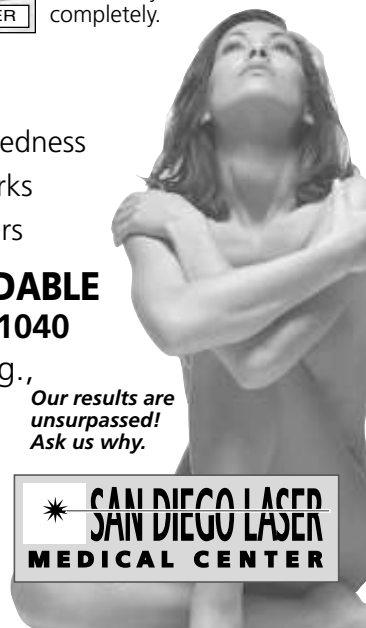
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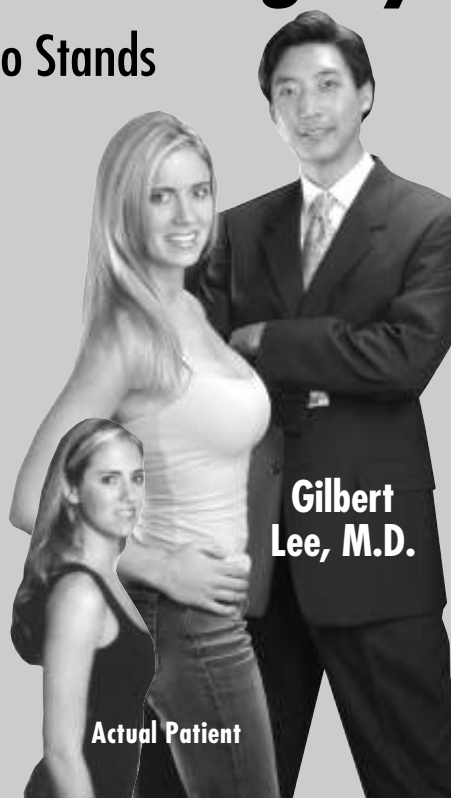
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she had good karma, and she seemed grateful for her restoration. We developed an intense relationship during the years that followed; I took my little girl out hundreds if not thousands of times, for I longed to know every subtle characteristic she possessed. Sometimes I sailed solo, and sometimes I invited a passenger; the presence of another person onboard allowed a better distribution of live ballast in a stiff breeze.

Jimmy Howard and I

were sailing beyond the kelp beds one day when a California gray whale surfaced three or four boat-lengths ahead. It scared the shit out of me, but after tacking away I felt privileged to view such a magnificent creature at close range. Although I originally was close-hauled on the starboard tack, the whale assumed the right-of-way under the obscure "Law of Gross Tonnage."

Another close encounter occurred prior to the New Zealand Challenge in 1988.

I was sailing with a girl named Mikki. We were slipping past the Submarine Base, just inside Balboa Point, when I spotted a large California sea lion basking on a nearby channel buoy. I alerted Mikki, who begged me to alter course and sail right by the buoy. No problem. The sea lion was sleeping, of course, and it neither saw nor heard our approach. As we glided past, Mikki reached out and patted the creature's back.

"Nice doggie," she said.

The 500-pound animal reared up with a deafening roar of surprise. I thought he was going to leap onboard and sink the boat, but fortunately the moment passed and there was no need to abandon ship. What the hell, it was good for an adrenaline boost.

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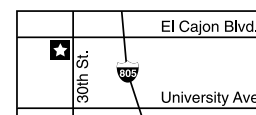
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"I don't like him," said Mikki.

Minutes afterward, Dennis bent the knots and the craft's weather hull rose imperceptibly, barely clearing the surface as she streaked past. It was an

impressive sight.

"Yay! Go, Dennis, go!" screamed Mikki, shaking her fist in the air.

We were making our way up the channel when the wind died completely. Our boat speed was reduced

to a snail's pace, and we made little headway even though our destination was in sight. She grew anxious and irritable, complaining about my supposed influence on the evening weather. I told her there

was nothing we could do except ride it out.

Another hour passed before we reached the dock, and during that time I swore I would never deal with her again. I saw her on the street a month later and

she tried to act as if nothing had happened, but I wasn't having any. She asked about our next sailing date, and I told her she should have been a comedienne.

One hot summer day I decided to work the tides

and patrol the beach with William W. As we sailed down the center of the channel with Zuniga Jetty on our port beam, we were rewarded by a magnificent sight that I shall never forget. We met the full-scale replica of Sir Francis Drake's *Golden Hinde*, which just happened to be reaching up the channel under easy sail. With the exception of a small escort tug hidden on the far quarter, we were alone with this spectacular craft. We might have been transported back through time to witness the actual *Golden Hinde*, which circumnavigated the globe over four centuries ago.

After sussing out this grand spectacle at close range, we rounded Zuniga Point and ran toward the beach, which was thronged with thousands of people enjoying the late-summer

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weather. We sailed close inshore and ignored the lifeguards while slamming cold beers and shouting abuse. It was thoroughly packed with beachgoers kicking and splashing in the warm shallows.

I remember another occasion when Vincent and I were sailing down the channel toward the beach on Shelter Island. We were minding our own business when I noticed some clown onboard a Laser altering

course to intercept our boat. "Look at this idiot," I said. "He obviously wants to race. Well, let's not disappoint him. Shift forward, Vinnie, and lean inboard a hair."

I then devoted my full

attention to the rig above. Although the moderate breeze favored the solo sailor, our superior sail and ballast trim enabled us to pull away from the challenger. We widened the gap to a quarter-mile before

sailing Polynesian-style right up onto the beach. The bewildered challenger bore away and gradually disappeared. So much for the impromptu match race.

I love watching a good sailboat race, but I abhor

participation. I entered my first and last sailboat race at the age of 15; it was a fleet handicap held on South Bay, and I won first place in my division after beating some serious competitors by 11 seconds. It was exciting, but I already knew that racing wasn't for me. As a hostile, antisocial teenager, I regarded sailing as a sacred form of spiritual expression, which should not be ruined by competition. Would a person who loves to drive a convertible on mountain roads limit his driving to rush-hour traffic on the freeway? I don't mind watching a world-class skipper like John Bertrand kick ass, but I'll be damned if I burn my valuable time in cutthroat competition.

I went through a bad financial patch in the summer of 1990, and I did the unthinkable. After years of hard use, I sold my Laser to Terry S. of South Mission Beach. By this time, the boat was completely thrashed, with a broken vang eyestay, cheesy rigging, and several incipient open seams at the base of the daggerboard well. I sold her for \$450, and considering her condition I probably received the better part of the bargain. Terry was kind, however, and he even told me I could sail the boat from South Mission when-

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I was working as a deckhand onboard the *Golden Swine*, a cattle boat of the first water, when the America's Cup series began in 1992. The Australian wanks who owned the boat were paying \$2000 per month for my services, which included ice-cold bottles of Broken Hill lager and Old Australian stout while watching the races and mingling with female passengers on company time. With a bit of spare cash in my pocket, my thoughts returned to the Laser and all of the wonderful adventures I had shared with friends onboard. With a twinge of regret, I vowed to purchase another boat in the near future. The following Saturday, at 0800, I was lying in my bed listening to punk trash on headphones when I suddenly received a cosmic message.

"Call Terry," a voice said, audible over the sweet strains of Black Flag's "Bastard in Love."

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ing the boat for me. When I went to pick up my little girl, she was in a deplorable state. The seams had opened up and her hull was water-logged, while great patches of green gelcoat glared through peeling paint. Due to the boat's increased hull weight and ugly green color, Terry had nicknamed her *The Incredible Hulk*. A blow to her pride, perhaps, but she was now back in my hands, and I swore I would restore my baby to her former glory.

After hauling her back to my yard, I used a blow dryer to thoroughly air out her hull before grinding and replacing the seams. Then I sanded and repainted her in a different color scheme: her new, dark blue hull was topped with a gleaming white deck, and new fittings added a special touch to her dazzling beauty. Once again, my little girl was ready for beach patrol. I moved her down to a small cove on Glorietta Bay, where, if she isn't sailing, she remains onshore, ever available to this day.

Shortly after I refurbished my boat, my employment situation took a turn for the worse. Operation of the *Golden Swine* proved unprofitable, so the owners decided to reduce every crew member's salary. By the time the America's Cup finals rolled around, I'd been unemployed for months.

I decided to sell my boat again, this time to San Diego State University student and aspiring sailor Ward G. There was a catch: the boat stayed where she was, her spars and gear remained at my house, and I continued to sail as if the certificate had never changed hands. I promised to teach Ward how to sail, and he is making progress. I think he knows that, when the time comes, I will buy the Laser back from him. (He told me recently he was just holding her for me.) The paperwork shuffle gives him the thrill of ownership, while it lets me cut loose and sail when necessary.

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Court in Mission Beach. He called one day to ask if we could sail the Laser up to his house. No problem. I called Terry S., who gave us permission to store the spars and gear overnight in his yard. (Thanks, brah.) Ward rode down on the bus, and we rigged the boat at 1245. The voyage went without a hitch, and we placed the spars and gear in Terry's yard just before sunset.

Retrieving the boat at 1000 the following morning, we sailed out of Mission Bay and headed north to Crystal Pier. Ward wanted his roommates to see him sail past his house; this was our morning mission, which we executed in style. Upon reaching Crystal Pier, we came down the coast. Ward had to work that day, so when we sailed past his house again he leapt overboard and swam to shore. He didn't have very far to go, since we were barely outside the impact zone.

My most recent sailing adventures have been some of the best. Rumors of a decent swell sent me to the Point, where I caught the longest ride of my entire sailing career. Surfing the Laser can be dicey; the trick is to match the speed of one's boat to the speed of the peeling wave. Too much speed and one outruns the break; not enough and one gets swamped, capsized, or killed. One must study the break and its direction relative to the wind before even attempting the most pinner drop. Better to do a trial run out on the shoulder than risk serious damage to oneself or the boat. Words of wisdom from Wade Wygal, master of the inflatable scene in head-high surf at Little Waimea. Nobody surfs the Point like Wade in an inflatable with an eggbeater mounted on the transom.

I've ridden the shoulder in sizeable surf at Little Waimea, and it can get pretty gnarly in a big hurry if one isn't totally clued in to the situation. I prefer something in the waist- to shoulder-high department; a nicely peeling break, not

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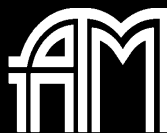
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Sailing on South Bay several weeks ago in a stiff breeze with minimal surface chop, I put the Laser up on a fast plane, which seemed to last an eternity. There I was, tearing along at incredible speed and laughing my head off. Laser No. 2069 might be a little heavier than the new boats, but she still knows how to get up and go whenever conditions are favorable. Planing in the Laser is always a rush and should be prolonged for maximum duration. The key is to not make any tiller movements, which instantly create rudder drag and bring the boat down off the plane. Slight changes in sail and ballast trim are sufficient to alter course and maintain boat speed.

One excursion late last summer may have been the perfect sailing adventure. The tides were favorable, so I pulled the routine beach patrol, gliding along in 10 or 12 knots of breeze. Developing an appetite, I sailed back up the channel until I reached the Embarcadero, where I secured the Laser to the dock at Anthony's and hopped a cab to Filippi's on India Street. There I washed down an entire pizza with a pitcher of Coors. Strolling back to the dock with my tiller in hand, I casually stepped onboard, cast off, and sailed back to Coronado in the mellow evening light. I beached the boat just before sunset, which happened to be spectacular. The day had been absolutely perfect, and I derigged and rode home with a warm feeling of serenity. ■

— Evan Douglas

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letic department by the uncorroborated accusation of one person (another exotic dancer, no less) is not reason enough to invade her privacy.

Furthermore, Matthew stoops to an all-time low with his sophomoric attempt to create an entry into the "stripper folklore" hall of fame when he states that she was forced to prematurely retire as an accomplished SDSU track-and-field athlete due to bunions

caused by exotic dancing while wearing high-heeled shoes.

I was a friend and occasional masseur to Emily. Yes, I have actually touched her feet! Emily did not have bunions. Though I will say that she had the most severe condition of bilateral shin splints that I have ever seen.

Even if she did say such a thing, have you never told a white lie, Matthew, to obscure a far greater truth? Very few of her friends knew the far more serious thing that was burdening Emily during that time of her life. And as a true friend never

betrays a trust, her truth will remain forever locked up within me.

Those few that were blessed to have dwelled in Emily's realm will never forget her heroic physical presence and strength and the soft, sensitive, and demure persona that comprised her equally substantive inside.

G. Aiken
via e-mail

Face Facts

Matt Potter wrote an interesting and thought-provoking article ("Football Scandal Rocks State," September 30). All I can say is, I picked it up, was just going to scan it, and got so caught up in it that I couldn't put it down

until I had read every single word.

I sincerely hope that SDSU addresses their problems within their athletic department in general and their football department in particular. I really don't understand how they can continue to allow things of this nature to go on. Don't they want the best for these young athletes? Isn't that what it all should boil down to? What's best for the students? And a drunken coach sure as hell isn't the answer.

I think the state needs to go in there and clean house. I wish coach Ohton luck in his lawsuit and hope that it makes SDSU face the facts. This is unacceptable. And

the people of San Diego should be outraged.

Becky Tucker
Chula Vista

Red-Diaper Memories

Judith Moore's evocative fantasy ("Red-Diaper Blue-Eyed Blonde," September 30) regarding a conversation with Sally Belfrage struck simultaneous chords of nostalgia and sadness. Because I was a peripheral red-diaper baby (my parents weren't CP card-holding members, but many of their friends were), the FBI was always lurking around our Brooklyn neighborhood paying unexpected visits to

the neighbors. Because my father was constantly looking over his shoulder, he took no chances. Even though he consistently voted for Norman Thomas (Socialist Party candidate for president of the U.S.), during the Eisenhower administration, in order to "protect" his low-level civil service job, he registered as a Republican. During that period, my parents were ringing doorbells with petitions to save the Rosenbergs, and in the late '30s they rounded up donations for the refugees from Republican Spain. During the HUAC days, these humanitarian activities caused suspicion. So did the Paul

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Robeson and Pete Seeger albums, which were kept out of sight. It wasn't until decades later at a Paul Robeson retrospective in London that I was able to put my parents' activities into a historical perspective. To honor their memories, in downtown San Diego I marched against the invasion of Iraq.

S.G.

Clairemont

There Are No Rules

After reading Naomi Wise's review of Osetra (Restaurant Review, September 23), it's clear she knows little about wine and has become a wine snob with what few tidbits of knowledge she's picked up along the way. As a professional wine judge for almost 20 years and the founder of the San Diego International Wine Competition, I was appalled at the final paragraph of her review where she berates a couple at another table for having a red Bordeaux with caviar. (I suspect the real problem was they were being fawned over by the staff while she was being ignored.) The whole

point of wine is to enhance a meal. If that couple wanted a red Bordeaux with their meal, it was their choice. If they found it worked for them, that should have been the end of the discussion. For them it enhanced the meal. The wine fulfilled its first obligation by tasting good with the food. This attitude of "you must drink red with meat and white with fish" has long ago been rejected by most of the thoughtful wine community. There are no rules. Was red

wine and caviar a choice I'd make? No, but putting down someone else's choices is bad form and shockingly bad manners to do in a published review. Shame on Naomi for such uncouth behavior.

Bob Foster

Naomi Wise responds: I offered the incident not to berate the anonymous couple but to illustrate the sociology of Osetra as an institution. I'm well aware of the recent permissive tendencies in the wine world ("Ya want

pink zin with your tourne-dos financiere? Go ahead!"), and I'm not concerned with enforcing outworn rules but with furthering the cause of joy and attentiveness in eating. I seriously doubt the couple obtained great joy from their choices: the tannins in the claret would have overwhelmed the delicacy of the caviar, and the fishiness of the roe would not have complemented the wine.

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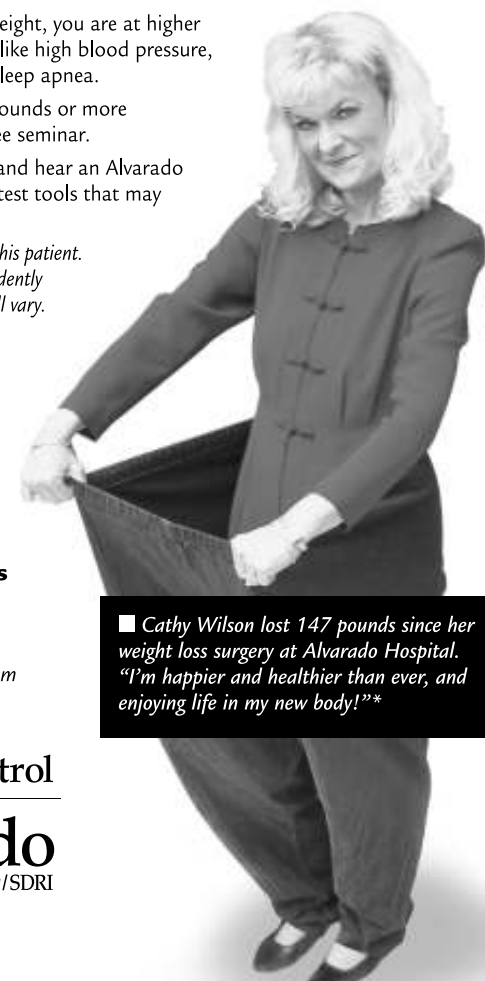
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After-Fire Recovery

Flames came up the draws," says Mark Jorgensen, superintendent of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, "and we were looking at something your eyes have never seen before. There were the smells and the difficulty in breathing from the smoke. And the fire whorls created their own thunderstorms, which caused the ground to shake, too. The experience involved every one of the senses."

That day in Cuyamaca Rancho State Park, Jorgensen led a team of five firefighters in a fight to save the park's facilities from last fall's Cedar fire.

LOCAL EVENTS

Although they lost Dyar House, home to the park's headquarters and a collection

of Native American artifacts, they did save Cuyamaca Outdoor Camp. Eventually the fire destroyed all but 320 of the park's nearly 27,000 acres.

During an evening campfire program this Saturday, Jorgensen will give a slide and sound presentation called "The Awe of the Cedar Fire: The Human Experience." It will cap the first day of the symposium "The Cedar Fire and Cuyamaca Rancho State Park One Year Later: Recovery Expectations and Realities." The Anza-Borrego Institute and the California State Parks are staging the event in cooperation with the Wildlife Health Center of U.C. Davis.

The symposium will feature scientists and other experts speaking about the fire's impact on vegetation, wildlife, and cultural/historical resources. On Sunday, those attending the symposium will go into the park's burn areas to see what the speakers talked about the previous day. According to Deborah Knapp, Anza-Borrego Institute's educational coordinator, the symposium's purpose is to bring good science and observation to bear on future fire management.

The first evidence for a strong recovery of natural ecosystems in Cuyamaca Park came last spring with a rich wildflower bloom. Janet Franklin, professor of biology at SDSU and one of the symposium's speakers, says she and some of her graduate students have counted in the park over a hundred species of native wildflowers since last year's fire. She mentions California mountain lilacs (*Ceanothus*) as one.

"Many wildflowers," says Franklin, "use special adaptations to fires. They have seeds that will stay in the soil for 50, or even 100, years. Fire



Cuyamaca after Cedar fire

then causes the seeds to germinate. Other wildflowers are opportunists. They grow up in the sunny gaps in the forests. Since almost the whole park became a sunny gap, the wildflowers proliferated."

Among old-growth forest species, Franklin expected the Coulter pine to already show strong signs of recovery. That's because the tree has a natural adaptation to fire. Its cones will only "explode" under pressure of a fire's heat, sending seeds in all directions. But Franklin isn't noticing many Coulter pine seedlings in Cuyamaca Park. That's not the fire's fault. Rather, last winter was too dry to allow the species' seeds to germinate.

In their place, Franklin has seen oaks and scrub oak chaparral do well. In twenty years, she says, some of the areas that were once old-growth pine forest could become oak savannahs, if dry conditions persist.

Among wildlife species, sparse rainfall may be saving the arroyo toad (*Bufo californicus*). Mark Mendelsohn, a biologist with the U.S. Geological Survey, has been studying the amphibian, which is two to three inches long. The creature needs "sandy

benches" near the Sweetwater River flowing through Cuyamaca Park. Soil erosion that follows fires might have destroyed this habitat in a wetter year. As it is, Mendelsohn is finding a wide distribution of the toads near the river. He will speak in the Cedar Fire Recovery symposium on the postfire fate of amphibians and reptiles in the park.

Snakes and other reptiles, as well as small mammals, often can save themselves during a fire by burrowing underground. But fire commonly traps deer and other larger animals. In one small area, the Cedar fire killed 70 mule deer.

"But it was a case of the deer being in the wrong place at the wrong time," says Walter Boyce of the Wildlife Health Center at U.C. Davis and another symposium speaker. Before the Cedar fire, he had "radio-collared" 12 deer in Cuyamaca Park. He was able to trace their movements during the fire. Only one deer died, he says, while others sought out patches of unburned land.

In Cuyamaca Park in 2000, Boyce also put radio collars on eight adult mountain lions, animals that stay close

to deer. He thinks the Cedar fire has reduced their number to four adults. He knows that an unusual disease killed one lion before the fire. The fire then killed at least one additional lion and drove another out of the park.

Their fates intertwined, "Both deer and mountain lions do well after fires," says Boyce. Thick chaparral and old-growth forests prevent the growth of grasses, deer's favorite food. When the larger foliage is gone, grass flourishes.

— Joe Deegan

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An Introduction to Blue Sky is planned by naturalist Laurann Martin on Saturday, October 16. A "Beginner's Birding Hike" is offered by naturalist Chuck Border on Sunday, October 17. Both hikes

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Explore a Riparian Forest when naturalist Linda King leads a moderately paced nature walk in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve on Sunday, October 17. Hikers explore little-known trails through riparian forest, native trees. Starts at 8:30 a.m. in Mercy Road parking-staging area (at junction of Mercy and Black Mountain Roads). Free. 858-484-3219. (MIRA MESA)

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Cobblestone Makes the Music, Martha Wild calls for contradance on Friday, October 15, 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)

Social Ballroom, Latin, and Swing Dance, Friday, October 15, 8 to 11 p.m., at Dance for 2 (7245 Linda Vista Road); \$8. Dance follows swing dance lesson by Shawn Torgerson, 7:15 p.m.; \$10 fee for lesson and party. 619-887-4595. (KEARNY MESA)

Folk Dance Class for Beginners sponsored by San Diego International Folk Dance Club each Wednesday at Balboa Park Club. Teaching at 7:15 p.m., request dancing 8:15 to 9:30 p.m. Instructors: Kin Ho and Jeanne Cate. First class is free; thereafter, \$1.50. 858-278-4619. (BALBOA PARK)

Tango Addicts' Milonga every Thursday night, 9 p.m. to midnight, at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street, suite A); \$5. 619-970-6620. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Fifth Anniversary Bellydance Showcase featuring Dondi, Marula, Mariela, Nari, and live music by Middle-Earth, Thursday, October 21, 8 p.m., Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue); \$5. 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

"Tap Dogs Rebooted" showcases its "industrial revolution of tap," November 12-14, at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). The usual "Dogs" are joined by two female dancers in current production, with choreography by Dein Perry, score by Andrew Wilkie.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday, 5 and 9 p.m. on Saturday; 2 and 6 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets range from \$24 to \$70. 619-231-8995. (DOWNTOWN)

FILM

"Japan After the Bubble: Japanese Cinema Today and Tomorrow" is offered Thursday and Friday, October 14 and 15. Seven featured films "highlight the mood and thought of Japanese society after the post-economic boom...of the 1980s and beyond." Symposium includes seminars by UCSD faculty, guest speakers. Free. 858-534-1413. Films are not rated; viewer discretion advised. (LA JOLLA)

Carlsbad Film Fest, Part II, takes place October 15-17, in Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Feature films, short films, documentaries. Screenings begin at 6 p.m. on Friday, 1 p.m. on Saturday, 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Showcased titles include *The Anniversary, Nothing About Love, American Chai, Kung Phooey!, Book of Rules, Sleeping Tigers: The Asahi Baseball Story*, many more. Fees: \$5 per general screening; \$7 when director is present for question and answer.

Screenwriter Rob Horvath leads screenwriting seminar on Friday, October 15, 8:45 p.m. \$7. Rewriting, how to "detach" from script, how to solicit production

companies, more. 760-434-2904. (LA COSTA)

The Film Trade Offs is about challenging traditions and dealing with ethnic identity. When the film screens for Film Forum on Monday, October 18, at 6:30 p.m., writer, director, producer Vikram Yashpal will be on hand to lead discussion of the film. San Diego Public Library, 820 E Street; 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

"Election Central" is theme for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series during October. See the 1994 documentary *The War Room* on Wednesday, October 20, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

More Than 250 Women Have Been Kidnapped and murdered in the U.S.-Mexico border town of Cuidad Juárez. See Lourdes Portillo's "unflinching call to action," *Senorita Extraviada (Missing Young Women)* when it screens on Wednesday, October 20, 6:30 p.m., San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Fifth Annual San Diego Asian Film Festival runs October 21-24 at Hazard Center Mann Theatres (7510 Hazard Center Drive) and other venues, with screenings, panels, workshops. Featured films include *Locals Only, Ong Bak, Ni-*

sei Spirit, Yelodramatic, Declaration of Independents, Reel World, many more. Tickets: \$6-\$10. 858-650-3459. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Mountainfilm Festival 2004," celebrating its 26th anniversary, plays at San Diego Natural History Museum on Monday, October 25, 7 p.m. Program includes *Psicobloc, Falling, African Fly, Sinners, Flow, A Willing Suspension of Disbelief*, others. Tickets: \$8 in advance, \$10 at door. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

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

LECTURES

"Seventeenth-Century Dutch Tiles," education department staffer Karin Homberg leads tours of new exhibit at San Diego Museum of Art on Thursday, October 14, 6 p.m. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. Repeats on Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Essence of Burning Man" is topic when Wick Alexander speaks in conjunction with his exhibit "LikeLife/LifeLike" on Friday, October 15, 6 p.m., at Arts College International (840 G Street). 619-231-3900. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

Author, Essayist, Editor, teacher Anne Fadiman speaks about her wonderful book *The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down*, Friday, October 15, 3 p.m., in Montezuma Hall, Aztec Center, at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-2132. (SDSU)

Baja California Enthusiast Graham Mackintosh presents a slide-illustrated talk on his adventures in Baja when Sierra Club gathers on Friday, October 15, 7:30 p.m., in auditorium of San Diego Zoo's Otto Center (left of zoo's main entrance). 619-585-3773. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

"Contact from the Great Beyond" promised, along with messages from "your departed loved ones," when psychic-medium Peter Close speaks on Friday, October 15, 7 p.m., at New Thought Center (10225 Barnes Canyon Road). Tickets: \$15 in advance. Reservations: 858-453-9830. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

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Calendar LOCAL EVENTS

"African Saints Go Marching In: African Religions in the Americas" is topic for panel discussion, Saturday, October 16, 3 p.m., at Malcolm X Library (5148 Market Street). Free. 619-527-3405 (ENCANTO)

Changes in Major Sources of the World examined when Michael Sunshine speaks for Bead Society of San Diego County, Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m., at Mingei Museum. He'll also present slide show of his recent trip to the Orient. Nonmember fee: \$8.50 (includes museum admission). 858-566-7778. (BALBOA PARK)

Effective Meditation for Busy People discussed by author Rebecca Bloom on Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m. to noon, at Rainy's Mystic Books (801 Grand Avenue

#3). She'll impart "easy techniques that demystify what meditation is." Bring a small crystal of any type. \$20. 760-744-9818. (SAN MARCOS)

Wildfires Create Life As Well As Destroy It, Anza-Borrego Institute and California State Parks present "The Cedar Fire and Cuyamaca Rancho State Park One Year Later: Recovery Expectations and Realities," October 16 and 17.

Variety of speakers on Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Cuyamaca Outdoor Camp, Cuyamaca Rancho State Park (12561 Highway 79). Sunday offers guided field trips. Fees: \$85 for Saturday lectures only; \$115 for all events. Space availability: 760-767-0446. (DESCANSO)

Clean Up and Get Writing after "mistress of organization" Lori Lynch speaks for morning workshop when Romance Writers of America gather on Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m. Leanne Shawler examines how to incorporate body language into your writing. Author



Peter Case for AcousticMusicSanDiego, October 16 (see In Person)

Jill Barnett divulges "secrets of scene structure" during afternoon program. \$25. Best Western Seven Seas, 411 Hotel Circle South. Fee: \$25. Reservations: 619-461-8965. (MISSION VALLEY)

"The Cultural Landscape of Rancho Santa Fe: The Town the Railroad Built" is topic when architect Von Marie May speaks for Friends of San Diego Architecture

on Saturday, October 16. Program begins at 9:30 a.m. at New School of Architecture, 1249 F Street. 619-287-0050. Requested donation: \$3. (DOWNTOWN)

"Harvest from the Garden," using fall's abundance, create crafts and gifts such as potpourris, wreaths, culinary herbal blends during class on Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m. at San Diego Natu-

ral History Museum. \$28. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

"Hold on to the Memories" is subject for program by Sherri Cosby at 11 a.m. on Saturday, October 16, at Oceanside Mission Branch Library (3861 Mission Avenue). See examples of scrapbook work for ways to preserve family photos. Free. 760-435-5640. (OCEANSIDE)

An Hour of Song promised when Mary Ann Downs of Harmonija leads singing on Saturday, October 16, 7:30 p.m., at Dancing Unlimited (4569 30th Street). Request dance program follows singing; \$5. 619-281-5656. (NORTH PARK)

Decorate for Día de los Muertos during papier-mâché skeleton-making workshop on Saturday, October 16, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Back from Tomboctou (3564 Adams Avenue). \$20. Sugar skull workshop follows at 3 p.m.; \$15.

Sugar skull workshop repeated on Sunday, October 17, 10 to 11:30 a.m. \$15. Reservations: 619-282-8708. Classes continue through October. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

The Swiss Bluegrass Musicians known as the Kruger Brothers offer workshop on Sunday, October 17, at Acoustic Expressions Music (2852 University Avenue). Banjo workshop with Jens, guitar workshop with Uwe at 2 p.m.; band dynamics workshop with band at 3 p.m. \$30. Registration: 619-280-9035. (NORTH PARK)

Nashville Songwriter Marc-Alan Barnette leads songwriting workshop for Nashville Songwriters Association International, Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m., at Piano Press Studio (1425 Ocean Avenue #6). Subjects: the country music business, mechanics of songwriting, performance techniques, more. \$15. Required reservations: 619-884-1401. (DEL MAR)

"An Inside Look at Admission to Cal Berkeley" offered when Associate Dean David Auslander speaks on Monday, October 18, 7 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). \$5 general, free for those 18 and younger. 858-457-3030. (LA JOLLA)

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Decorative Arts Lecture Series co-hosted by Palladian Society and Athenaeum Music and Arts Library begins with look at "Gardens of Le Notre" by Leucadia-based photographer Becky Cohen, Monday, October 18, at Athenaeum (1008 Wall Street). Continental breakfast, 9:30 a.m.; lecture, 10 a.m. Five-lecture series: \$120, or \$27 per lecture. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"English in the Philippines: In America's Own Image" presented by José "Butch" Dalisay when he speaks on Monday, October 18, 4 p.m., in IR/PS classroom 3201 at UCSD. Dalisay is a novelist, poet, columnist, vice chancellor at University of the Philippines. Free. 858-534-1957. (LA JOLLA)

Island Castaway, Carlsbad filmmaker Lance Milbrand proposed a story to *National Geographic Explorer* that required him to be left, voluntarily, on uninhabited Clipperton Atoll for 47 days. Milbrand lived with one million sea birds, five million land crabs; he filmed himself, took still shots, wrote a journal, produced first map of atoll since 1935.

Milbrand presents lecture on his adventures, Monday, October 18, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. \$8. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Known for Bringing Clarity and Interest to nonfiction works, Mark Fogg speaks for San Diego Writers/Editors Guild on Monday, October 18, 6:30 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Fogg is senior editor of publications at Solar Turbine. \$5. 619-291-2336. (HILLCREST)

You Are What You Eat? Learn "How to Be a Healthy Vegan and What's Wrong with the Atkins Diet" when George Eisman speaks for Last Chance for Animals and All Vegan, Monday, October 18, 7 p.m., at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Free.



Emerson String Quartet at UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium, October 15 (see Classical Music)

619-299-4669 or 619-525-7726. (MISSION VALLEY)

The La Jolla Phototranslators gather for slide show of C. McReynolds's recent trip to Peru, Monday, October 18, 7:30 p.m., at Wesley Palms (2404 Loring Street). Free. 858-454-4077. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Processing and Utilizing Native Plants as medicine is topic when Carole Brown speaks for California Native Plant Society, Tuesday, October 19, 7 p.m., in Casa del Prado room 104. Free. 619-685-7321. (BALBOA PARK)

"Inspirations in Floral Design" provide subject when floral designer David Root speaks for San Diego Floral Association on Tuesday, October 19, 7: p.m., in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free.

Flower Arrangers Guild of San Diego Floral Association hosts flower show themed "Enchanted Autumn" on same day, 3 to 8 p.m. Featured flower arrangements focus on "whimsical black-and-or-

ange fall theme." Free. 619-232-5762. (BALBOA PARK)

"Mormons and Genealogy — Why Do Mormons Have the Largest Genealogy Library in the World?" Find out during tour of Family History Center (4195 Camino del Rio South) on Tuesday, October 19, 6:30 p.m., part of the "Stories of Faith" series hosted by San Diego Public Library. Free. 619-795-4561. (MISSION VALLEY)

Fix a Flat, learn brake and derailleur adjustment, more, when REI shop technicians offer basic bicycle maintenance clinic Tuesday, October 19, 6:30 p.m. Find REI at 5556 Copley Drive. Registration: 858-279-4400. Free. (KEARNY MESA)

"Screenwriting Intensive: Basics and Beyond," workshop led by screenwriter, columnist, writing coach Vera Caccioppoli four weeks, starting on Wednesday, October 20, 7 p.m., at Hi-Way Haven: Creative Hub for Writers and Literary Emporium (466

North Pacific Highway 101). \$95. 760-942-4367. (LEUCADIA)

"American Abjection: Chicanos, Gangs, Blackness, Mexican/Migrant Trans-Nationality" is topic when Columbia University anthropology professor Nicholas De Genova speaks on Wednesday, October 20, 3 p.m., in room 107 of social science building at UCSD. Free. 858-534-3276. (LA JOLLA)

"Masterful Minuscule Moments" presented by Scott Paulson when San Diego Independent Scholars meet on Wednesday, October 20. Founder of Toy Piano Festival, Short Attention Span Chamber Music Series, Not-So-Silent Film Festival, much more, Paulson will discuss history of toy piano, paper theater. Program begins at 7:30 p.m. in room 111A of Chancellor's Complex at UCS. 619-224-5664. Free. (LA JOLLA)

"Should the Arts Be Subsidized?" It's the topic at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Av-

enue) on Wednesday, October 20, 7 p.m. Free. (HILLCREST)

Caffe Salotto (2240 Otay Lakes Road) hosts discussions on Thursday nights, 7 p.m. "Understanding Islam" is subject on October 21. Free. 619-295-7911. (EASTLAKE)

Backpacking Basics taught during clinic, Wednesday, October 20, 7 p.m., at REI (5556 Copley Drive; 858-279-4400). Parking techniques, gear, tips. Free. (KEARNY MESA)

Pulitzer Prize-Winning Writer Max Frankel discusses his new book, *High Noon in the Cold War: Kennedy, Krushchev, and the Cuban Missile Crisis*, Thursday, October 21. The noon luncheon is held in Harborside Room at Holi-

day Inn Bayside (4875 North Harbor Drive); \$35 fee includes lunch. Reservations: 619-687-3580. (DOWNTOWN)

"Holistic Pet Care" is subject when local veterinarian Dr. Tamara Hebbler speaks for Happy Hour Lecture on Thursday, October 21, 6 p.m., at San Diego Humane Society (5500 Gaines Street). \$10. Required reservations: 619-243-3424. No pets. (LINDA VISTA)

Should a Candidate's Religious Beliefs Matter to voters? Freedom Forum hosts debate entitled "A Candidate's Religion — When Does It Matter?" on Wednesday, October 27, 7 p.m., at Stadium Holiday Inn (3505 Murphy Canyon Road). Participants

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Stand-Up Is Dead, this comedy troupe “known for using social commentary and a no-holds-barred style of comedy” performs Thursday, October 14, 8 p.m., at Comedy Store (916 Pearl Street). Steven Kendrick and Mack Lindsay co-headline; \$5 cover plus two drinks. 858-454-9176. (LA JOLLA)

Mystery Author Carola Dunn signs *Mourning Wedding* and her other books, Thursday, October 14, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

Busy on Thursday? Dunn will also appear on Friday, October 15, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747). Free. (CLAIREMONT)

As a Healthy Young Woman, Valerie Greene experienced a massive stroke, which she documents in *The Fire Within*. Greene signs her book at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (2615 Vista Way; 760-529-0270). Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Up for Some Acoustic Music? AcousticMusicSanDiego hosts

concerts by Brian Joseph and Zoe Lewis on Friday, October 15; and Peter Case on Saturday, October 16. Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). 619-303-8176. Tickets: \$15, \$20. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

Fela Kuti Day is celebrated with concert by Seun Kuti on Friday, October 15, 8 p.m., at WorldBeat Center (2100 Park Boulevard). \$12. 619-230-1190 or 619-602-9003. (BALBOA PARK)

“Drop Bush, Not Bombs II,” poetry reading by Diego Davalo, Kate Evans, Theresa F., Jim Moreno on Friday, October 15, 8 p.m., at R Spot Barber and Books (3013 University Avenue). \$5. 619-297-7768. (NORTH PARK)

The Oceanside Music Festival runs October 15-17. Events begin with “Magic and Music Variety Show” starring Jack White (known as a local news anchorman) on Friday, 7:30 p.m. Program includes Oceanside Society Orchestra with vocalists Terri Neal, Kitty Kelly, Jerry Brumfield. \$12 general.

“Kevin Cole Plays Gershwin” on Saturday, 7:30 p.m., at \$25 general.

On Sunday, “Kevin Cole Plays the Great American Songbook” at 2:30 p.m. and presents a 90th-birthday tribute to Encinitas songwriter Hugh Martin. Concerts take place at Star Theater, 402 North Coast Highway. 760-721-1101. (OCEANSIDE)

Playwright’s Project: “Soul Fire,” offered at various San Diego City Libraries through October 24.



Miramar Air Show at MCAS Miramar, October 15–17 (see Special)

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)

Launch Party and signing for Jeff Edwards, author of *Torpedo: A Surface Warfare Thriller*, Saturday, October 16, 1:30 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

The Contemporary Folk Trio Little Big Men performs for San Diego Folk Heritage on Saturday, October 16, 7:30 p.m., at San Diego United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$12. 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

North County Funnies — showcasing James P. Connolly, Patrick DeGuire, MC Kurt Swann, the Pearl Street Players — offered on Saturday, October 16, 8 p.m., at Carlsbad Village Theatre (2822

State Street). Tickets: \$15 at door. 760-729-0089. (CARLSBAD)

Wildland Resource Scientist and Author Klaus W.H. Radtke signs the handbook *A Homeowner’s Guide to Fire and Watershed Management at the Chaparral/Urban Interface*, Saturday, October 16, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Included in museum admission (\$9 general). 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Sunset Poets host poetry workshop by Tom Erdmann on Saturday, October 16, 9 a.m. to noon. \$15. Reservations required.

Erdmann returns for poetry reading on Sunday, October 17, 3 p.m., at Flying Bridge Restaurant (1105 North Coast Highway). Open mike follows. Free. 760-758-2410. (OCEANSIDE)

Irish Music, Dance, and Storytelling promised during Seagate Sundays concert on Octo-

ber 17, 2 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Performances by Siamsa Gael Ceili Band, Barbara MacDonald Magone on Cape Breton piano, singer Becky Wells, musician and storyteller Kevin Carr, dancers from Bracken School of Irish Dance; \$20 general. 866-436-8744. (LA JOLLA)

Benedetti and Svoboda perform classical and flamenco music in concert hosted by Lemon Grove Historical Society on Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m., at St. Philip the Apostle Church (2660 Hardy). \$12 general. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

Developing an Eye for Authentic Tuscan Style? Meet author Frances Mayes (*Under the Tuscan Sun*) on Sunday, October 17, 6 p.m., at Warwick’s Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). She’ll be hand to sign her newest book, *Bringing Tuscany Home*. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

The Gary LeFebvre Quartet performs for Jazz Association of Greater San Diego (JAG) concert on Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m., at Handlery Hotel and Resort (950 Hotel Circle North). \$12 general. 760-602-0839. (MISSION VALLEY)

Teddy Bear Expert and “Steiff event ambassador” Chuck Steffes visits Gepetto’s Toy Store (Fashion Valley mall, 7007 Friars Road) on Sunday, October 17, 5 p.m. He’ll present history of Steiff, how original teddy bears were “born.” Free. 619-294-8788. (MISSION VALLEY)

Political Satirist and Journalist Will Durst of PBS show *The Durst*

Amendment performs Monday, October 18, 8 p.m., in University Forum at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free. 619-260-4600 x4901. (LINDA VISTA)

“Chicken Soup for the African-American Soul” discussed and signed by book’s co-author and county resident Lisa Nichols, Monday, October 18, 6 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

A Workshop on ADD and how to “treat it without medication” offered by author Mark Steinberg on Monday, October 18, 5 p.m., at Barnes and Noble, Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

Local Poet Terry Hertzler reads from and signs his book *Second Skin* on Tuesday, October 19, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (2615 Vista Way). Followed by open reading. 760-529-0270. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Astronaut and Author Walt Cunningham visits Warwick’s Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue) to sign and discuss *All-American Boys*, Wednesday, October 20, 7:30 p.m. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Boo the Villain and Cheer the Hero when Julian Triangle Club presents its 48th annual “Old-Time Melodrama and Olio, week-ends 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)

“Intimate Evenings of Grand Illusion” promised when David Copperfield performs October 22 and 23 at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). Program includes “Reunion,” “Killer,” “Shortschange,” “The Lottery,” “Thirteen.”

Performances at 6 and 9 p.m. on Friday; 1, 4, and 7 p.m. on Saturday. Tickets: \$23-\$63, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

“The Story of the Redtail Hawk,” Native American flute concert on Friday, October 22, 7 p.m., at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Original story and flute composed by Mac Lopez, percussion by Brian McNulty, musician Xavier Quijas Yxayotl, guests. Tickets: \$25 general. 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

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LOCAL EVENTS

Lighter Side of Election Year?

The Congressional staffers-turned-comedians known as the Capitol Steps perform Saturday, October 23, 8 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$35, \$45. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

He'll Go Anywhere, Try Anything.

Eric Hansen signs and discusses *The Birdman and the Lap Dancer* on Thursday, October 28, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Native American Activist Dennis Banks, accompanied by Floyd Red Crow Westerman, discusses his new book, *Ojibwa Warrior: Dennis Banks and the Rise of the American Indian Movement*, Friday, October 29, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

Drew Carey's Improv All-Stars take stage on Friday, October 29, 7 and 10 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Carey is joined by comics Brad Sherwood, Chip Esten, Kathy Kinney, others. Tickets: \$55, \$65. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

SPORTS

Top Wheelchair Tennis Players

from around world taking part in 2004 United States Open Wheelchair Tennis Tournament, continuing through Sunday, October 17, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Barnes Tennis Center (4490 West Point Loma Boulevard). 619-221-9000. Spectators free. (POINT LOMA)

The SoCal Scorpions, a member of the Women's Professional Football League, offers full-contact, NFL-style football. Scorpions offer last home game of season against Dallas Diamonds on Saturday, October 16, 7:05 p.m., in Edwards Stadium at La Jolla High School (750 Nautilus Street). Tickets: \$12 general; \$7.50 for students,

Roam-O-Rama

A Guide to Unexpected San Diego • By Jerry Schad

Schabarum Regional Park in Rowland Heights (eastern Los Angeles County) features a green-grass strip extending nearly a mile into the Puente Hills and lots of steep, brushy hill-sides affording some great panoramas of the San Gabriel Valley and the San Gabriel Mountains. You'll probably share these views with hawks and ravens who ride the hillside thermals if you follow the five-mile looping hike outlined here. This is a great trip for Santa Ana days, when the dry, northeast winds sweep away the haze and smog that often blankets the L.A. Basin.

To get to Schabarum Park, exit the

Pomona Freeway (Highway 60) at Azusa Avenue, go south alongside the Puente Hills Mall, turn left on Colima Road, then turn immediately right into Schabarum Park. Gates are open daily from 8 a.m. to sunset. Park your car in any of the spacious lots (a parking fee is charged on weekends and holidays only), and start your hike on the signed Schabarum Trail. It begins near the entrance and twists and turns along dry, prickly-pear-covered slopes west of the park's long strip of green turf. At 0.8 mile you come to a split; the left branch goes over to an equestrian ring at the south end of the turf strip, while the right branch, your route, takes you up through dense chaparral toward the Puente Hills crest. The panorama below includes nearby subdivisions in Hacienda Heights, the linear City of Industry (which, it is manifestly clear, specializes in industry), and assorted other suburban sprawl stretching to the foot of the San Gabriel Mountains. The beige (or white, if snow-capped) summit of Mount San Antonio, or Old Baldy, floats serenely above it all.

As you approach the ridge-line, you contour below an antenna-topped 1416-foot peak. A shortcut to the Skyline Trail is possible up and around this.

After 2.5 miles from the park entrance, bear left as you're approaching a water tower and antenna site served by a paved service road coming up from below.

Long view north from Schabarum Trail

Follow the dirt road going east, which is the Skyline Trail. You climb some more, passing the 1416-foot peak, and then descend. To the south you look over the wooded community of La Habra Heights and across the coastal plains of Orange County.

After winding down a steep hillside, you reach a north-south dirt road in a saddle (3.8 miles). Go left and continue 0.7 mile down a draw to the equestrian ring. From there you can follow an asphalt walkway down the middle of the turf area to reach your parked car.

Urban Runoff 5k Run/Walk and kids 1k run, Saturday, October 16, 7:30 a.m., at Seaport Village, Embarcadero Marina Park North. Day-of-event registration: 6 a.m. 619-298-7400. (DOWNTOWN)

Walk for Animals, Helen Woodward Animal Center's 14th annual event, Saturday, October 16. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. at Helen Woodward (6461 El Apajo Road). Early-bird step-off at 8:30 a.m., one-mile Walk for Animals: 9 a.m. Donation. 858-756-4117 x312. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

Expect Some Hills when Bicycle Touring Society bicyclists venture to Highways 52, 67, Ramona, and

experts starts at 8:30 a.m. at Lindo Lake Park (at Lakeshore Drive and Vine Street). Bring money for food. 619-255-2890. (LAKESIDE)

Walk to D'Feet ALS, raise funds for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (a.k.a. Lou Gehrig's disease) research during 3.1-mile walk, Sunday, October 17, De Anza Cove. Walk starts at 9 a.m., following 7:30 a.m. check-in. Donation. 858-271-5547. (MISSION BAY)

A Marathon-Distance Hike of 26.2 miles is planned by naturalist Don Parnell on Saturday, October 30, starting at 7:30 a.m. in Daley Ranch main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Expected duration: 11.5 hours, with one lunch and two snack/rest stops. Water replenishment, portable toilets at around third and seventh hours into hike. Registration: 760-839-4680. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Tour de Julian bicycling event is Sunday, November 7, at Jess Martin Park. Registration, check-in at 7 a.m. Road ride (40 miles) at 8:30 a.m., mountain bike ride (22 miles) pedals out at 9 a.m. \$35. 760-765-2200. (JULIAN)

SPECIAL

"Cavalía: A Magical Encounter between Horse and Man" hits Del Mar Fairgrounds for performances by more than 60 performers, including 37 horses, through October 15. In "Cavalía," horses are said to "cavort with acrobats, aerialists, and riders." Performances begin at 8 p.m. through Friday. Tickets: \$49-\$69, available at 866-999-8111. (DEL MAR)

Look! Up in the Sky! And down tarmac when Marine Corps Air Station Miramar Air Show takes place October 15-17. Flying performances by military and civilian performers (including the Blue Angels), static displays, food, more.

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2004 Harvest Festival is October 15-17, at San Diego Convention Center (111 West Harbor Drive). Clothing, crafts, specialty foods, entertainment, and *objets d'art* offered by artisans and craftspeople. Show opens at 10 a.m. each morning, closes at 8 p.m. on Friday, 7 p.m. on Saturday, 5 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$8.50 general, \$7.50 seniors, \$4.50 for those 6-12. 800-321-1213. (DOWNTOWN)

Mira Mesa Monster Manor opens at 7 p.m. October 15-16, October 22-23, October 27-31, at Target shopping center (8235 Mira Mesa Boulevard). Tickets: \$9, benefiting Mira Mesa community Fourth of July festivities.

Also on offer: "Light Fright," daytime version of manor for children up to 12 years old. Hours: 1 to 5 p.m. October 23, 24, 30, 31. \$4. 858-693-8536. (MIRA MESA)

Rainbow of Color, Porcelain Artists of San Diego host show with handpainted porcelain exhibits, china and paint vendors, demonstrations, on Friday, Octo-

ber 15, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Portuguese Hall (2818 Avenida de Portugal). \$5. 619-224-5822 or 619-286-6718. (POINT LOMA)

The 35th Annual Columbus Day Parade, Saturday, October 16, starts at 5 p.m. on Balboa Drive North (at Quince Street), proceeding north to Laurel. Best viewing: between Quince and Laurel Streets). Events conclude with an all-Souza organ concert by civic organist Carol Williams synchronized with laser light show at 6:45 p.m. Free. 619-469-0795. (DOWNTOWN)

Need a Costume? San Diego Junior Theatre hosts 16th annual Halloween costume sale, October 16 and 17, in front of Casa del Prado Theatre. Costumes and accessories range from \$1 to \$100. Hours: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, noon to 3 p.m. Sunday. 619-239-1311. (BALBOA PARK)

Garden Stages Fall Festival offered Saturday, October 16, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden

(12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Booths, activities (till 3 p.m.), children's activities, docent-led tours of garden (10:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:30 p.m.), booksigning by James Lightner, plants for sale. Free. 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

Fall Plant Sale hosted by California Native Plant Society, Saturday, October 16, in Casa del Prado patio. Native bulbs, plants, seeds, books, posters offered. Experts answering questions. Sale starts at 10 a.m., continues until the plants are gone. 619-685-7321. (BALBOA PARK)

"Behind the Scenes with Soap Opera Digest Mall Tour" stops on October 16 and 17, at Westfield North County Fair shopping center (272 East Via Rancho Parkway). Leading men Eric Winter (Saturday), Christian leBlanc, Greg Rikaart on Sunday. Autograph signings, soap opera skits. Free. 760-489-2332. (ESCONDIDO)

Lake Hodges Artists' Show and Sale, Saturday and Sunday, October 16 and 17, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Appleby International Arts (9814 Carson Place, at Cortez and DeSoto, in Del Dios). Local artists display all manner of recent work. Free. 760-740-9700. (ESCONDIDO)

2004 Fall Harvest Fair, this year's threshing bee and antique engine and tractor show at Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum is October 16 and 17 (and October 23 and 24). Blacksmith and wheelwright demonstrations, grist and sawmill operations, vintage skills, along with food, gifts, music, train rides, displays of antique cars and steam engines.

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Champagne Tours offered at 1 and 3 p.m. every Saturday at Belle Marie Winery (26312 Mesa Rock Road). Enjoy champagne while touring facility, barrel room, underground cave in "chateau." Free. 760-796-7557. (ESCONDIDO)

Ikebono School of Ikebana show is Saturday and Sunday, October 16 and 17, in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Fifteen San Diego Artists have work on display for show on Saturday, October 16, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., at Mixture (2210 Kettner Boulevard). 619-239-4788. (LITTLE ITALY)

Tea Tasting with Michael Figins, including lecture and samples, Saturday, October 16, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Caffè Calabria (3933 30th Street). Free. 619-291-1759. (NORTH PARK)

There's also a tea tasting and tea lecture planned on Saturday, October 16, 4 to 6 p.m., at Egyptian Tea Room (4644 College Avenue). Free.

Required reservations: 619-265-7287. (SDSU)

Vaquero Days are celebrated on Saturday and Sunday, October 16 and 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Merigan Meadow. Ranch roping and trail horse competitions, vendors, music, cowboy poetry, cowboy crafts, horsemanship, demonstrations, barbecue, more. Adults: \$10, kids free. Directions: 619-445-3946. (DESCANSO)

Wolf Awareness Week 2004 is celebrated with events on Saturday, October 16, at California Wolf Center. "Hanging in the Balance: Face to Face with the Challenges of Mexican Wolf Recovery" begins at noon. Program includes lecture by biologist Maggie Dwire, visit with center's ambassador's wolf packs, update on center. Fee: \$35 for adults, \$25 for children. Reservations required.

Expect panel discussion "about the return of the gray wolf to the Golden State" at 4:30 p.m., as well as visit with aforementioned wolf pack, wildlife art exhibit by Vic Bearcroft, dinner and musical entertainment, auction. \$65. Required reservations: 619-234-9653 or 760-765-0030. (JULIAN)

"An Imaginary Life" by David Malouf provides subject when Great Books Reading and Discussion Group meets Saturday, October 16, 2 p.m., in third-floor conference room, San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 858-755-



"Walt Disney's 100 Years of Magic" at San Diego Sports Arena, through October 17 (see For Kids)

8978. Free; newcomers welcome. (DOWNTOWN)

Psychic Fair and Metaphysical Conference at Alexandra's Book-Store, October 16 and 17, noon to 6 p.m. Tarot, palmistry, numerology, other psychic arts featured; \$20 per reading. The shop is located at 3545 Midway Drive, suite G; 619-298-3422. (SPORTS ARENA)

Escondido Street Faire, Sunday, October 17, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., along Grand Avenue. Entertainment, vendor booths, crafts, rides, food. Free admission. 760-746-3611 or 760-745-8877. (ESCONDIDO)

The House of Austria hosts lawn program at International

All kinds of vehicles on display. Free. 760-754-4512. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Philatelic Expo, stamp and cover dealers offer wares, Sunday, October 17, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Free. 619-469-0337. (KEARNY MESA)

Taste of La Jolla offered during "gourmet taste-tour of over 40" La Jolla restaurants on Monday, October 18, 6 to 8:30 p.m., along Girard Avenue, Prospect and Pearl Streets, adjoining streets. Tickets: \$35 in advance, \$40 at door, benefiting Foundation of La Jolla High School. 858-551-1250. (LA JOLLA)

The Backgammon Club of San Diego holds weekly tournaments every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Coast Cafe (in Embassy Suites Hotel, 4550 La Jolla Village Drive). \$20 entry, \$10 reentry. 858-342-5533. (LA JOLLA)

Howl-o-Ween, PetsMart hosts trick-and-treat costume parties on Tuesday, October 19, 6 to 8 p.m. Pet trainers on hand teaching pets to shake hands, high five, wave goodbye. Free. Locations: 877-473-8762. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

"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 continues with Maryse Conde's *I Tituba, Black Witch of Salem* on Wednesday, October 20, 6:30 p.m., in Wangenheim Room at library (820 E Street). Free. Registration: 619-236-5816. (DOWNTOWN)

An Homage to "The War of the Worlds" is included in radio exhibition continuing through Wednesday, December 22, in UCSD Arts Libraries. See vintage microphones and radios, radio drama scripts, sound effects tools, radios created by local schoolchildren.

Live events include radio drama/sci-fi/horror show on Sunday, October 31, 7:30 p.m.; musical radio recital show on Wednesday, November 24, 12:30 p.m.; "Imaginary Landscape No. 4 for 12 Radios" by John Cage on Wednesday, December 15, 12:30 p.m.

Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

"Dia de los Muertos" — exhibition of *ofrendas* (altars) this year commemorating departed pets is on view through Tuesday, November 2, at SoLo (309 South Cedros Avenue). Public is welcome to participate by leaving a photograph and note in remembrance of a pet to be attached to handmade paper frame, then installed over altar. Opening reception is Thursday, October 21, 5:30 p.m. Free. 858-794-9016. (SOLANA BEACH)

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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 through October 31, 7 to 11 p.m. Sunday, Wednesday, Thursday; 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Friday and Saturday. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Japanese Ceramicist Yuji Uchida has an exhibit of work on view through November at Japanese Friendship Garden. Admission: \$3 general, \$2 for stu-

dents, children 6 and under free. 619-232-2721. (BALBOA PARK)

Handmade Books by Children are on view through November at City Heights-Weingart Library (3795 Fairmount Avenue). 619-641-6100. Free. (CITY HEIGHTS)

2004 San Diego Modernism Weekend, hosted by SOHO (Save Our Heritage Organisation), runs October 22-24. "Building the Burbs," "The Futuro House," "Modern San Diego," among many lectures offered on Friday and Saturday, at Marina Village Conference Center (1936 Quivira Way).

"Mobile Modernism" tours on Saturday; historic home tours on Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fee information, suggested reservations: 619-297-7511. (SAN DIEGO)

FOR KIDS

You Can Fly! Cathy Rigby takes flight in James M. Barrie's *Peter Pan*, October 14-17, at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). This

tour provides Rigby's "farewell performances."

Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, October 14, 15, 16; 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)

"Walt Disney's 100 Years of Magic," live figure-skating "story adventure" with Mickey, Minnie, Pinocchio, Jiminy Cricket, and their Disney friends, continuing through Sunday, October 17, at San Diego Sports Arena.

Performances at 7:30 p.m. on

Thursday; 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Friday; 11 a.m., 3:30, 7:30 p.m. on Saturday; 1:30 (in Spanish) and 5:30 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$13-\$50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

Meet The Polka Dot Ghost when Big Joe Productions takes stage at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater for performances through October 17. Comic ventriloquist Lynn Trimble asks "Who's Afraid of Peter Pumpkin?" October 20-24.

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)

Animal Tales Told, and crafts, stories, and animals part of fun during Animal Tales story time presented by San Diego Humane Society and SPCA, Saturday, October 16, 1:30 p.m., at Borders Books and Music (159 Fletcher Parkway; 619-593-5119). Program repeats Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m., at Borders located at 1072 Camino del Rio North (619-243-3432). Free. (EL CAJON, MISSION VALLEY)

Meet the Energetic Rodent Star of *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* when he visits story time on Saturday, October 16, 11 a.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). 760-943-6400. Free. (ENCINITAS)

Scavenger Hunt, participants explore Grape Day Park during nature hunt on Saturday, October 16, 1 p.m., hosted by Escondido Children's Museum (in studio 1 at California Center for the Arts, Escondido, 340 North Escondido Boulevard). \$5. 760-233-7755.

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Design Your Own Race Car during intergenerational class for grandparents or parents and kids, Saturday, October 16, 10:15 a.m., hosted by Oasis (third floor at Robinsons-May at Mission Valley shopping center, 1702 Camino del Rio South). Participants experiment with levers, ramps, axles, pulleys, then design and build a race car; \$4 per person. Required reservations: 619-296-2594. (MISSION VALLEY)

“Mostly Ghostly” Books entitled *Who Let the Ghouls Out?* and *Have You Met My Ghoulfriend?* signed by prolific author R.L. Stine, best known for his *Goosebumps* books, on Saturday, October 16, 2 p.m., at Warwick’s Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347). Free. (LA JOLLA)

Autumn Harvest, explore natural environment and learn how Native Americans found food, clothing, shelter during program hosted by San Diego Natural History Museum on Saturday, October 16. Class starts at 10 a.m. at museum, followed by program at 1 p.m. at Tecolote Nature Center. Class is for those in grades kindergarten through three with adult. Fee: \$24 per child/adult pair. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Get the Scoop on “Creatures That Glow” when Birch Aquarium-Museum hosts family program with activities, stories, on Saturday, October 16, 11 a.m. Find Birch at 2300 Expedition Way. Included in regular museum admission. Reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Air is subject when Reuben H. Fleet Science Center hosts family science day, Saturday, October 16, noon to 3 p.m. Participants “make a free science experiment” to take

THREE POEMS BY CLAUDIA KEELAN

A Domestic Chapter

As long as the world lasts,
I claim responsibility
For those with me or alone.
The eternal duel
Admits no truce.
The law of love is associated with any.
I like the world,
The present in wilderness.

Antique

She brought the teapot because it was broken
& broken still valuable,
A thing not available to her otherwise.
On its restored surface a pastoral
Flickered once. Too late.
She was not honest but she was a poet
Mending the broken valuable...
“What absolute nonsense!” cried the Earthworm. “Nothing
Is ever all right in the end and well you know it.”
Poor Earthworm, Ladybug whispered,
Loving all that is disaster
Bellydown breathing with it everafter.

Critical Essay

Anyone writing can come to know
Everything one reading does

Anyone reading might never know
Everyone one writing does

If anyone is really writing
Anyone is really reading

Anyone knows everything writing
Everything anyone reading might never

Anyone for example I I found writing
The experience of the dead gods you

Read in Jane Harrison’s *Prolegomena*
The gods dead and gone already in Greece

At the moment Orpheus is born
I for example I found writing the empty

Alpha where the beginning died and I
& Anyone for example Anyone finds writing

truly writing the end’s beginning the empty
Alphas full of the gone God’s writing

— Claudia Keelan

From *The Devotion Field*; Alice James Books, 2004.

Claudia Keelan is the author of four collections of poetry, including *Refinery*, which won the Cleveland State University Poetry Prize; *The Secularist*, a winner in the 1997 Contemporary Poetry Series from the University of Georgia Press; and *Utopic*, which won the 2000 Beatrice Hawley Award from Alice James Books. Her poetry has been anthologized in *What Will Suffice: Contemporary Poets on the Arts Poetica* and the 1997 *Anthology of Magazine Verse & Yearbook of American Poetry*. Her criticism has been reprinted in the 1993 edition of *Contemporary Authors*. Ms. Keelan’s honors include a 1990 Jesse Stuart Award for excellence in teaching; a 1991 fellowship from the Helene Wurlitzer Foundation of New Mexico; a 1992 grant from the Kentucky Foundation for Women; and in 1997 *The Secularist* was nominated for the *Los Angeles Times* Book Award.



home. Regular admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Family Reading Festival, Saturday, October 16, noon to 3 p.m., at Oceanside Civic Center Plaza (330 North Coast Highway). Educational activities for children, agencies and organizations dispensing information, live entertainment, face painting, bubble magic show. Free. 760-435-5590 or 760-435-5683. (OCEANSIDE)

“The Wonderful World of Water,” Ms. Frizzle and the Magic School Bus lead adventures on Sunday, October 17, 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)

“El Espiritu de tio Fernando” is read during “Story Time en español” on Thursday, October 21, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (2615 Vista Way). 760-529-0270. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

“The Boy Who Fell Into a Book” by Alan Ayckbourn, directed by James Saba, is presented by Lamb’s Players Theatre, October 14-November 13, at Salvation Army Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center Performing Arts Theatre (6611 University Avenue). Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Thursdays, 10 a.m. on Fridays, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturdays. Tickets: \$6 to \$24. 619-437-0600. (COLLEGE GROVE)

The Musical *Seussical* is presented by J*Company, October 21 through November 7, in David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). Tickets: \$14-\$16. Show times, reservations: 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

MUSEUMS

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

Antique Gas and Steam Engine Museum, the museum locates, collects, documents, and preserves historical gas-, steam-, and horse-powered equipment related to agriculture and the general development of America. The collection is made up of equipment used in lumbering, mining, oil drilling, and construction industries. Blacksmith and wheelwright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steam-operated saw mill,

and 1/3-scale train. Find the museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

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

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

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia — such as surfboards and clothing — of

local legends Phil Edwards, John “L.J.” Richards, and Peter Johnson, and Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

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

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Chinese Historical Society and Museum, view artifacts from San Diego’s Chinese and Chinese-American history, culture, and art. Current museum artifacts include a 1920s warlord’s bed, exhibits on Chinese footbinding and Chinese-American veterans. The museum is in a building originally built in 1927 for the Chinese Mission. Adjacent to the building is an Asian garden with koi pond and waterfall.

The Dr. Sun Yat-Sen Memorial Extension features “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. Find the museum at 404 Third Avenue (at J Street). 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

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

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

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

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William Hebbard and Irving Gill, the Marston house design is in keeping with the early 20th-Century American Arts and Crafts period, emphasizing simplicity, function, and natural materials. The museum is located at 3525 Seventh Avenue; 619-298-3142. (HILLCREST)

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

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

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

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

Parsonage Museum of Lemon Grove, "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-in-residence Kathleen Strzelecki and Janne LaValle. Exhibit includes clothing typical of late Stone Age, 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)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, "ExploraZone 5," on view through June 5, 2005, explores "what you think you see." The 38 exhibits use visual perception, thought, language, mag-

netism to test visitor's senses and abilities. Exhibit includes "Hoop Nightmares," "Cheshire Cat," "Black Sand," "Speech Dissector."

Ongoing exhibitions include "Technovation," "About Faces," "TryScience!" and "Skyscapes II." The permanent exhibitions present a variety of hands-on exhibits illustrating scientific principles. Explore the various methods of transmission and storage and retrieval of information, such as lasers, flashing lights, waveforms, and more. Journey "To Worlds Beyond" in the planetarium show. Films are shown daily in the IMAX theater. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

San Diego Archaeological Center, "The Harris Site Exhibit: San Diego's Place in the Past" showcases traditional Kumeyaay objects complementing artifacts

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FROM THE DUST JACKET: Unhinged by years of rejection letters, an author plots a wild scheme to gain an editor's undivided attention:

Until I bought one, I'd never touched a gun, never stood in front of a full-length mirror pointing a gun at myself. Bang, bang. Mine was a Magnum .357 purchased in New Jersey, much more svelte than I'd imagined a gun could be.

Evan Ulmer takes matters into his own hands after his writerly dreams of fame and recognition have stalled. He kidnaps renowned editor Robert Partnow and cages him in a basement equipped with a TV, a treadmill, and a Porta-John. Evan shares his desperation with Bob, Bob reveals his own unsavory secrets, and together they watch the media spin this situation into a lurid tale of abduction and infidelity. *Tearjerker* unfolds in startling directions that make the reader wonder along with Evan, "Was abduction a difficult and gutsy endeavor or, instead, the predictable last resort of the desperately stupid?"

In this darkly humorous debut novel, Daniel Hayes explores the human reality behind the tabloid headlines and the pathos of failure and yearning in a culture of high-stakes celebrity.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Kirkus Reviews: Build cage. Buy gun. Kidnap editor. But then what? Hayes fumbles the hard part in his talky first novel.

The abduction is over, disappointingly, in a New York minute. After Evan Ulmer nabs senior book publishing editor Bob Partnow outside his Manhattan office, the obliging editor drives the getaway car to Evan's home in Sandhurst, a quiet Hudson Valley town. Once there, Evan imprisons Bob in his soundproofed basement, a chain-link fence separating them. Evan, 35, was a legal proofreader until his parents' deaths made him financially independent, and he has written two unpublished novels. What's behind his harebrained scheme? Is it a loser's muddled concoction of envy and revenge, or does he just want a pal? For there will be long, inconclusive talks between the guys. Meanwhile, Evan has met a potential girlfriend at the library, the much younger Promise Buckley, also an aspiring writer. Hayes crosscuts between Evan's conversations with Bob and with Promise; we never get more than snippets of each. Two might have been company, if Evan and Bob had probed their psyches instead of sniffing each other, but three feels like a crowd. Nor does Hayes try for the sense of menace that, say, Fowles achieved in *The Collector*. ... What's left is a novel of character, though we don't get much of that either.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR: Daniel Hayes and I talked on one hot summer afternoon, each from our own California homes. Mr. Hayes was in San Francisco, where he lives with his wife and daughter.

"Let's see," he said, when I asked about his beginnings, "I was born in 1955 in Riverside. And then when I went to nursery school, we had just moved to Claremont."

"That's a pretty town."

"It was, although at that time it was very, very smoggy. Riverside was even worse. But growing up in Claremont was difficult. I didn't enjoy Claremont, I don't think. I stayed there until I was 16 or 17 and then moved to Newport Beach and finished up high school. That was a move because my lungs were affected by the bad air. I don't think my parents wanted to move, but they moved for me.

"My father was an engineer. He worked for General Dynamics. He continued to work there even after we moved."

"Did your mom do what all moms did then?"

"Yes. Exactly. Although I do know that she had just gotten a job, right before we moved, her first job. I always felt bad about that, moving because of the smog, and my mother had just had her first job."

"Did you have brothers and sisters?"

"One sister who is three years older than I am."

"And where did you go to college?"

"UC San Diego for two years and then Berkeley. I transferred."

"Who did you study with in San Diego?"

"I remember Manny Farber was there. What a crazy guy. I took a film class from him. And I studied with Jonathan Saville."

"Did you always know you wanted to be a writer?"

"Yes. I came to a fork in the road when I graduated from UC Berkeley. I wanted to be a fiction writer, and I had been wanting to do that since I was a little kid. On the other hand, I was interested in social theory and sociology."

"I graduated in sociology and applied to graduate schools and got into UC Berkeley graduate school. I put it off for a quarter and then for another quarter and then they said, 'You have to make up your mind.' So I took the other fork in the road. I gave up the idea of going on and getting a Ph.D. in sociology or social theory and decided I'd write fiction."

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excavated from site, which has yielded important information about prehistory of West. Exhibit continues through January 2005. The museum is dedicated to "curation of archaeological projects and sharing them with the public." Find center at 16666 San Pasqual Valley Road; 760-291-0370. (ESCONDIDO)

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

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

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

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

San Diego Historical Society Museum, "From Blueprints to Buildings," an exhibit of San Diego architecture, traces this region's architectural history from early Indian bark houses to modern and postmodern buildings. The exhibit showcases the most significant examples of various architectural

styles and types of structures. See the historical artifacts, photographs, and ephemera through December.

"Romp! Children Discover Balboa Park" focuses on why Balboa Park exists, examines the 1915-16 and 1935-36 Expositions, and includes exhibits, attractions, and "marvels that were found in the monumental buildings created to showcase the West." Historic film footage allows visitors to tour the Ford Building as it existed in 1935 and see displays and machinery that were there.

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

San Diego Maritime Museum, visit the H.M.S. *Surprise* while the ship used in film *Master and Commander* is on exhibit through

Tuesday, November 30. See artifacts, costumes, props used in making of the flick.

The museum features permanent exhibits documenting the history of San Diego's waterfront and the building of the West Coast by sea, including exhibits concerning the old San Diego-Coronado ferryboats, the tuna fishing industry, and the military. The museum fleet consists of the 1863 bark *Star of India*, the 1898 San Francisco ferryboat *Berkeley*, and the 1904 Scottish steam yacht *Medea*. There are also nautical exhibits, ship carpenters, model building, ships in bottles, woodcarvers, and a complete research library.

The museum is located at 1306 North Harbor Drive, along the Embarcadero at the corner of North Harbor Drive and Ash Street; 619-234-9153. (DOWNTOWN)

San Diego Museum of Man, historic and symbolic role of

weapons from around the globe examined in "Weapons of the World: Art, Technology, and Symbolism," continuing through May 2005. Collection showcases more than 150 weapons of all shapes and sizes, including blades, shields, spears, bows, most from private collection of Joseph Jessop, who purchased the items from collectors and traders.

"Efe: Archers of the Congo" examines one of the most enigmatic and little-known groups on the planet. The Efe are one of about 12 pygmy tribes living in African rainforest. The more than 200 items include bows, arrows, quivers, wrist guards, hunting nets, musical instruments, utensils, and bark cloth paintings. Through summer.

"Mapuche: Chilean People of the Land," on view through March 2005, includes more than 100 items such as textiles, basketry, modern and vintage photographs,

silverwork. The Mapuche — who were never conquered by the Incas or the Spaniards — boast a complex culture from pre-Hispanic times, speak their own language, earn income through their artwork.

Permanent anthropology exhibit "Footsteps through Time: Four Million Years of Human Evolution" features "more than a hundred touchable replicas of early 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)

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READING

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"What did your father say?"

"I don't think my father liked the idea of either of them, to tell you the truth. I think he was probably more worried about my being a fiction writer because I don't have anyone in my family who is an artist or a writer."

"Were there books in the house when you were growing up?"

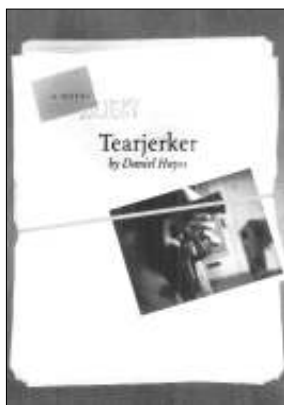
"Yes, but not a lot. And I think it's been with me ever since that I'm always trying to justify what I do and who I am. That I'm a writer. Mostly to myself, at this point."

Mr. Hayes received an MFA in creative writing at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1989. He studied there with John Edgar Wideman. Mr. Hayes said, about Wideman, "He was incredible. He was really something. He was a very inspirational teacher. He's great."

After Mr. Hayes received his MFA, he taught at UCLA from 1989 to 1997. "I was in the writing program department and taught everything from freshman composition to courses on autobiography. I spent one year commuting between San Francisco and L.A. Then I finally moved up here."

"Do you have a day job?"

"No, my wife supports me. She has a day job. I have a daughter who's two years old. I take care



of her, three to four days a week, which has been wonderful. But it's sort of been a little bit difficult to get work done. I'm still adjusting."

"Does she know that you are a writer?"

"I don't know. She's interested in books. I dedicated this book to her so I don't know how long it'll take before she knows about that. But I don't know if she knows what I do. She knows that I'm at the computer, and she wants to play on the keyboard."

Mr. Hayes's first book, *Kissing You*, is a collection of short stories. I asked about his newest and second book. "How did *Tearjerker* come to you?"

"I've always had fantasies of abduction. Not abducting an editor, but something about abducting people and also being abducted, with the idea that it might be an interesting relationship. I'm sure it's not in most cases.

"But there was something about the idea of these two men being in a confined space. I'm always interested in two people and what goes on between them. In a larger way something about this guy, Evan Ulmer, interested me. I'm a little like Evan Ulmer, but not completely. He just seems to me to be full of yearning."

"I was interested in that — to write a novel about yearning and about what happens when you have a dream, you have something that you want, and it's not happening. Also, the peculiarity of the writer's life is that you don't always quite understand why it's not happening."

"I was thinking the other day about baseball. I'm a baseball fan and aspired to be a baseball player, which I did at one time. There's a way to gauge it. You're sort of in the minor leagues, you're hitting .230, you've been at it for a few years. The writing is on the wall. You need to stop doing this. You need to get another job."

"Writing is different than that. The likelihood is, the reason why things aren't working out for you is because you don't have enough talent; that's probably the problem. But you never can quite be sure."

"I have a lot of experience in that — a career that didn't take off, that didn't really happen, a lot of rejection. Do you give it up or do you continue? And there's a thin line there between being a writer who's this weird person, who is like a child and continues to make up

fantasies and put them on paper and people buy them or whatever and a total loser who lives in his head and makes up fantasies that nobody is interested in. That's always been the thin line that I've been walking, trying to fall on the one side and not the other."

Mr. Hayes, early in his novel, introduces a third char-

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acter — a woman who wishes to be a writer. *Tearjerker* moves between conversations Evan has with the captured editor and the woman — Promise is her name — who wishes to write. I asked, "How did you happen to use this 'splicing' technique?"

"I've always written in fragments. I almost think of it as an interior where you have different rooms inside your head. Or different selves. And so they don't always quite speak to each other. But they're juxtaposed. I've always been interested in how you can write something and then put a little space break and begin something new. It gives you more

beginnings and endings.

"Also, then you have all these juxtapositions. They're hard to do. Sometimes you want things to touch each other, and other times you don't want them to touch. It's a jigsaw puzzle. There often would be times when I'd have the whole thing out on the floor, moving it around and trying to get it to work."

"I didn't want to confuse anyone. I wanted to make it 'reader friendly.' But once you got the idea that it was going back and forth, you could relax. Also, I think it's something to do with my interest in voyeurism. I'm creating something for the reader where the reader gets a little chunk of something — overhears something, whatever — and then it just stops."

I asked about Bob, the abducted editor, who spends much of *Tearjerker* locked in a cage in Evan Ulmer's basement.

"I wanted him to be a complicated man. There are some novels about the publishing world where it's sort of a satire. And the character is a type. I didn't want him to be a type. He's obviously angry at himself. And he's angry at Evan. But he also has a life, and he has daughters, and he doesn't want to talk about them. He wants to draw lines. And Evan isn't a person who does very well with the drawing of lines."

"What do you think it takes for a writer to get published?"

"I don't know. You know, there was a point at which I had about 15 stories published in small magazines. I thought, 'Okay,

that's enough. I want to have a story collection.' And I just couldn't get it done. Obviously, you need an agent. Then you have to get an agent. I've had four agents. I've had two agents say goodbye to me. I've had one agent change her job. I'm on my fourth agent. So I have complex feelings about agents. And trying to get things published and being told over and over, 'No.' Being complimented. I've always been complimented on my writing."

"I've got enough rejection slips to gauge to some degree what's going on. But you get a story in *The New Yorker*, and that's your ticket. You just need one story in *The New Yorker*, and then suddenly you can have a collection. But without that, it becomes difficult, and then they tell you, 'Story collections don't sell well. Blah, blah, blah.'"

"I'm not there, and I want to be there. I'm trying to figure out what's going wrong. Is it a matter of talent or is it a matter of connections or is it a matter of not knowing the right people to get the right agent, to get the right access? I don't know. I've never figured it out."

"I wish you all the luck with your new book."

"Thank you, I have high hopes for it."

"You'll never quit."

"I hope not. There was a time when I considered that, just because things weren't going well. But I've had two books in two years. I'm just coming very late." ■

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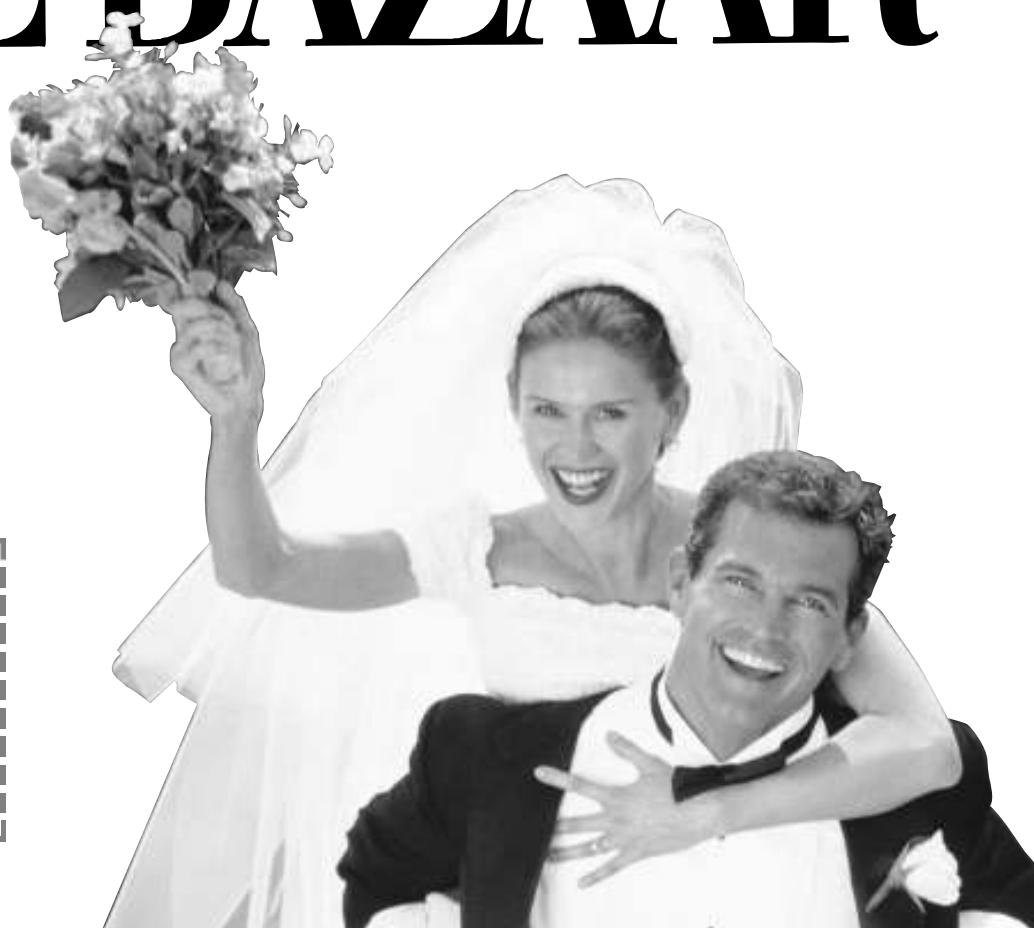
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Percussionist Evelyn Glennie performs works by Alvarez, Masson, Zivkovic, Schmidt, Glennie for La Jolla Music Society in concert on Thursday, October 14, 8 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Tickets: \$25, \$55, \$75. Reservations: 858-459-3728. (LA JOLLA)

"Lost Songs of a Rhineland Harper" performed by Sequentia Ensemble for Medieval Music during concert hosted by San Diego Early Music Society on Sunday,

Friday, October 15, 8 p.m., at St. James by-the-Sea (743 Prospect Street). Expect to hear "royal laments, songs of the harp, the Rhinegold Curse," songs of desire and corruption. \$18. Reservations: 619-291-8246. (LA JOLLA)

The Emerson String Quartet, awarded 2004 Avery Fisher Prize, performs in concert on Friday, October 15, 8 p.m., in UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium. Program includes Mozart's "Quartet in G," "String Quartet No. 2 in C Major" by Britten, "Opus 44 No. 1" by Mendelssohn. Tickets: \$36, available at 858-534-8497 and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (LA JOLLA)

"American Favorites" may be heard when pianist Jeffrey Biegel joins San Diego Chamber Orchestra for concerts October 15-19. Program includes pieces by Peck,

Copland, Canning, Gershwin.

Enjoy concerts on Friday, October 15, at Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue); on Monday, October 18, in Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street); and Tuesday, October 19, at Fairbanks Ranch Country Club (15150 San Dieguito Road). Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. \$60. Tickets: \$15-\$65 (depending upon venue). Reservations: 858-350-0290 x7. (MIDTOWN, LA JOLLA, RANCHO SANTA FE)

Pipe Organ Concert Series, organist Jackson Borges (from Torrey Pines Christian Church) performs for pipe organ concert series on Friday, October 15, 7:30 p.m., at First Church of Christ Scientist (8262 Allison Avenue). Free. 619-442-8201. (LA MESA)

The Renowned British Piano Quintet known as Schubert Ensemble presents selections by Butler, Shostakovich, and Dvořák for Chamber Concert Series hosted by Athenaeum Music and Arts Library on Saturday, October 16, 7:30 p.m. Find Athenaeum at 1008 Wall Street. \$27. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Soirée for Music Lovers, violinist János Négyesy and friends perform 18th- and 19th-Century chamber works Saturday, October 16, 8 p.m., Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. 858-534-3229. \$8 general. (LA JOLLA)

"Autumn Harmonies," concerts presented by MiraCosta College's three choral groups, October 16 and 17, at MiraCosta College Theatre (One Barnard Drive). Concerts start at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday; \$10. 760-795-6816. (OCEANSIDE)

"Baroque Bash" on offer when Camarada performs pieces by J.S. Bach, C.P.E. Bach, Loeillet, Vivaldi, Telemann, and Locatelli on Sunday, October 17, 7 p.m., at First United Methodist Church of San Diego (2111 Camino del Rio South). Offering. Child care by reservation. 619-297-4366. (MISSION VALLEY)

Rinaldi Quartet performs for fall concert series on Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Donation: \$5. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

Dohnányi's "Piano Quintet No. 1 in C Minor" and "Piano Quintet in F Minor" by Brahms may be heard when Mykola Suk (piano), Ryo Fukuda (violin), Bryon Tauchi (violin), Roland Kato (viola), Andrew Smith (cello) present concert for Lake San Marcos Chamber Music Society on Sunday, October 17. Concert starts at 2:30 p.m. at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$22. Reservations: 760-945-3446 or 760-630-4360. (ENCINITAS)

Noise at the Library, series highlighting 20th-Century classical music continues with concert "tackling themes of politics and theater," featuring a premiere by Rick Burkhardt, on Sunday, October 17, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Also on program: selections by Rzewski, Sciarrino, Gubaidulina, Loeb. Noise ensemble joined by Harvey Sollberger, Kathleen Gallagher, Päivikki Nykter, Robert Zelickman. Preconcert lecture at 2:30 p.m., concert at 3 p.m. \$15. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"Harp Magick" — promising musical gems from English, Spanish, and French Renaissance — may be enjoyed when harpist Amy Lynn Kanner performs for Pleasure of Your Company series on Sunday, October 17, 2:30 p.m., at Scripps Miramar Ranch Library (10301 Scripps Lake Drive). Donations appreciated. 858-538-8158. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

Solo Bach Suites performed by cellist Charles Curtis on Sunday, October 17, 2:30 p.m., for San Diego Public Library concert series. Find library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5810. Donation. (DOWNTOWN)

"Merchants and Monarchs: The Glorious Hanseatic School from 1600 to 1700" is title for program by harpsichordist Gilbert Martinez on Sunday, October 17, 4 p.m., at St. Peter's Episcopal Church (334 14th Street). Listen for *pavanes*, ballets, toccatas, *mascheratas* by Scheidemann, Schildt, Hammerschmidt, Reincken, Buxtehude. \$15 general. 619-840-3416. (DEL MAR)

New Music for Violin and Ensemble may be heard in Erickson Hall (B210) at UCSD on Sunday, October 17, 8 p.m. Mark Menzies and the CalArts New Century Players perform "Terrain" by Brian Ferneyhough and other contemporary works. \$8 general. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Civic Organist Emeritus Robert Plimpton performs on Sunday, October 17, 2 p.m., in Spreckels Organ Pavilion. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

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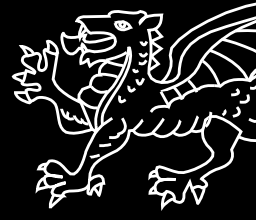
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Randy Pile performs in concert on Wednesday, October 20, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. 858-534-4830. \$8. (LA JOLLA)

Orchestral Music with a Scottish Flair on offer when San Diego Symphony and conductor Jahja Ling perform Thursday, October 21, 8 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Program includes pieces by Davies, Bruch, Mendelssohn. Tickets: \$29, \$39, \$49. Reservations: 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

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ences." The show opens in University Art Gallery at UCSD with reception at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 14, following exhibit walk-through by curators at 5:30 p.m. Find gallery in Mandeville Center on UCSD campus. Exhibit closes Saturday, December 11. 858-822-3547. (LA JOLLA)

"Nocturnus," an exhibit of black-and-white photography in minimalist tradition by Vancouver artist Michael Lvein, opens with reception on Thursday, October 14, 6 p.m., at No. 4 Gallery (4134 Adams Avenue, loft #4). Closes Monday, November 29. 619-624-0100. (KENSINGTON)

"Uncommon: An Art Show" — boasting photography by Chad Foreman, sculpture by Erica Leite, paintings by Ben Horton — may be viewed on Saturday, October 16, 7 p.m. to midnight, at Premise Intelligence Agency (949 Hawthorn Street, suite 11). Free. 619-233-7979. (DOWNTOWN)

"The Southern California Regional Award Exhibition," juried by Mark Quint, opens with reception on Saturday, October 16, 6 p.m., at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439 El Prado). Tickets for reception: \$20. Reservations: 619-236-0011. Through Sunday, November 21. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Sayoko Becker Show" opens with a reception on Saturday, October 16, 4 p.m., at Santa Ysabel Art Gallery (30352 Highway 78, at junction of Highway 79). Ceramicist Becker exhibits hand-built

and painted ceramic pieces, along with watercolors. Enjoy show through Sunday, November 14. 760-765-1676. (SANTA YSABEL)

"One Child," with black-and-white documentary photography by Billy Howard, may be seen concurrently with landscape photographer Richard Daniels' "Sealand Escapes," at Ordovery Gallery (Studio 172, 444 South Cedros Avenue). Exhibits open with reception on Thursday, October 21, 6 p.m. 858-720-1121. Show closes Saturday, November 27. (SOLANA BEACH)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, "Niki de Saint Phalle: California Dreaming" explores works said to be "inspired by and created in California" through models and related drawings, paintings, and prints from the artist's archives and from private collections. Through November. The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard; 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

Mingei International Museum, "Navajo Weaves" includes 33 Navajo objects such as chief's robes, other blankets and rugs woven in the late 19th Century and in 20th Century. Pieces of Navajo silver and turquoise jewelry dating from same era as weavings (from a private collection) also on view.

"Elemental Art of the Indonesian Archipelago" includes more than 100 objects such as textiles,

jewelry, puppets, baskets, beaded objects, ritual dance masks, architectural ornaments, household objects, ancestor figures, and shrines. Ongoing.

The Mingei is located on the square with the San Diego Museum of Art and the Timken Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

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 February 2005.

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." DeS-

oto 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), on view 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 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)

San Diego Museum of Art, "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 Chola-period 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, pictorial sources.

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, permanent collection includes European masters, 19th-Century American paintings, and Russian icons. 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)

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Macho Quashers

We haven't come all that far from our Cro-Magnon brothers and sisters.

Buck fever, Yooper style, eh? The 1989 deer season begins tomorrow in Michigan's Upper Peninsula — home of the UPs or "Yoopers." This means the Soady men go into Ritual Mode. They congregate at their deer camp outside of Escanaba; they eat pastie pies (one to one and a half pounds of ground round, onions, carrots, potatoes, and rutabagas); along with enough beer to fill Lake Superior, they drink Albert's sap whiskey (which, given their facial contortions after a swig, looks as though it could thaw Iceland); and they enact sacred rituals — have for decades — imploring the unnamed God of the Hunt to grant them a multi-antlered buck on the morrow.

But then there's Reuben "Da Buckless Yooper" Soady. Escanabans swear that, because he's never shot a deer, Reuben must be cursed (so much so that Yooper parents shield children's eyes when he walks by). Pressure's on: if he doesn't do it this year, Reuben'll "end up on the wrong end of the record books." He'll become the oldest Soady never to bag a buck.

Reuben's got a plan so subversive you'd think a Commie pinko thought it up. To change his luck, the 35-year-old'll break all traditions: the Soadys won't eat pastie pies; they won't get stupor drunk (okay, maybe they just won't eat pasties). He'll introduce new totems and talismans, including a mystical beverage made from the urine of...well, you get the picture. Reuben

forgets, of course, that marble statues're the only thing more set in their ways than a Yooper on Opening Day Eve. Clashes ensue, not to mention religious epiphanies, UFO sightings, and flatulence with restorative powers.

Escanaba's silly, testosterone-maniac, and good-natured. To anyone who has crossed the Mackinac Bridge from the Lower Peninsula to Yooperland, it's fairly accurate (or, at least, more accurate than the movie Daniels made of his play). Plus, it harkens back to an earlier age. Put these hyper-superstitious hunters in a cave, with eerie shadows and animal paintings flickering on the walls, and we haven't come all that far from our Cro-Magnon brothers and sisters.

Escanaba's a backcountry farce. To make it work, both elements must be sharp. And under Sean Murray's direction they are. One exception: Yoopers flatten their vowels and sound vaguely Finnish. Owing to a UFO abduction, J. Michael Ross's (hilarious) character, the Jimmer, mangles his lines. On opening night others did as well. Accents not only sounded fake, they garbled meaning — particularly true of David Gallagher's Albert, who narrates and was often hard to follow.

Manny Fernandes and Kenny Taylor had the right combination of farce and authenticity. Fernandes makes Reuben's brother Remnar (who "turned out pretty much the way you'd expect for somebody goes by the name of Remnar") the epitome of all things macho. Imagine Robert DeNiro



Kenny Taylor, J. Michael Ross, Manny Fernandes in *Escanaba in da Moonlight*

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***Mrs. Farnsworth*, by A.R. Gurney**

Laterthanever Productions, Ark Center, 3554 Kettner Boulevard, Middletown

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in *The Deer Hunter*, of which *Escanaba* feels like a parody, only funny. Taylor, a new face, earns sympathy as Reuben: a David, amid real and metaphysical Goliaths, with a suspect slingshot.

Sean Murray's done first-rate double-duty again. His direction is crisp, and his scenic design, the interior of the Soady cabin, is so rich in detail, you wonder how they moved it intact from

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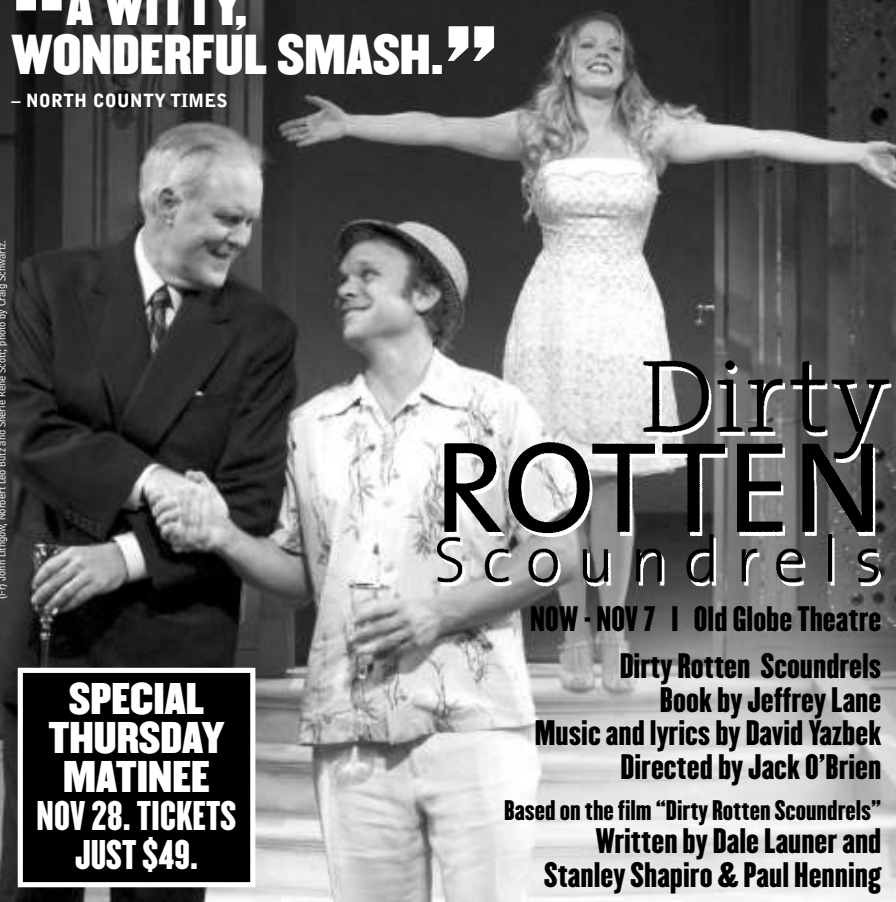
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Escanaba (floated down to Green Bay on a barge?). Shulamit Nelson's costumes, tattered plaid flannel shirts, lucky headwear, and long johns that don't look laundered, also heighten the realism.

There are times, as when the Soadys crank the Jimmer's legs like a bellows to produce — but this might be more information than you'd care for... Let's just say there are times when an audience might want to distance itself from the onstage antics. But Eric Lotze's lighting and especially George Ye's sound design permit no escape. Ye makes the whole theater the cabin, surrounding the audience with outdoor Upper Peninsula Michigan noises: some human, some automotive, many animal, and some — da troot, I swear! — of unknown, possibly extraterrestrial, origin.

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“A suburban lady of a certain age,” Mrs. Farnsworth's conflicted: She wants to write a tell-all novel but won't name names. That's why, as a proper WASP from New Caanan, Connecticut, she got writer's block and enrolled in English 124 (“Discover the writer within you”). Unlike the current presidential election, the teacher, Gordon Bell, encourages “constructive, not personal” criticism “as specific as possible.”

Mrs. Farnsworth does have a story. Thirty years ago Emily, a Vassar student, became impregnated by a Yale undergrad — “with a slight alcohol problem” — named Miles. He was “cute as a button, even if he doesn't have much going on upstairs.” (His father also went to Yale, and both have served in high pub-



Rosina Reynolds in Mrs. Farnsworth

lic office.) When Miles learned Emily was pregnant, he sent a thug, with \$10,000, who ordered her to get an abortion. Mrs. Farnsworth's story looks autobiographical. And guess which current American president Miles might be?

Thanks to its subject, and performances by Sigourney Weaver and John Lithgow, A.R. Gurney's *Mrs. Farnsworth* has been an off-Broadway hit, one of only a handful of plays to lambaste the Bush administration directly. At the same time, however, Gurney pulls more punches than he lands — then pulls the plug, about three-fourths into the 90-minute piece. And compared to Michael Moore's *Fahrenheit 9/11*, Farnsworth's mild stuff. The script, in fact, lacks enough specifics to pass English 124.

The Laterthanever production made two wise moves, casting Jim Chovick and Rosina Reynolds. Chovick plays Mr. Farnsworth, who appears to be a conservative and then, owing to some contrived writing and adept acting, blurs the stereotype. Reynolds gives Mrs. Farnsworth layers not found in the text, especially a gift for speaking about her

character in the third person and, at the same time, feeling first-person emotions. Reynolds and Chovick make *Mrs. Farnsworth* entertaining, even though it doesn't live up to its hype. Nothing in it comes close to the seven minutes, during the 9/11 attacks, when our President chose to read *My Pet Goat*, with Florida schoolchildren, rather than lead. ■

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Cavalia

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 meleé, and, on occasion, a display of magnificent animals running free or performing tricks with horse whisperer Frederic Pignon. The spectacle's slow to begin, 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,

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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, long-suffering, 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

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A crown is the top part of a hat and a symbol of royalty. Regina Taylor adds new definitions as she recounts the "church hat" tradition of African-American women, where a chapeau expresses "hattitude," a proud statement of identity. Adapted from Michael Cunningham and Craig Marberry's book, the piece combines music — from rap to gospel — and monologues. *Crowns* packs a lot into 90 minutes. And though the monologues are often arresting, their sheer number tends to slow the pace. But then a terrific ensemble will sing "That's All Right," while dancing a "ring-shout," or Valerie Payton will shimmy across the stage as the preacher's wife, and the Lyceum Theatre roof will rise. Led by stately Peggy Ann Blow and the wondrous Carole Foreman, the cast performs on Jerry Sonnenberg's sleek unit set, which Jennifer Setlow's lighting bathes in peach and florid pinks. Special mention must go to Jennifer Brawn Gittings,



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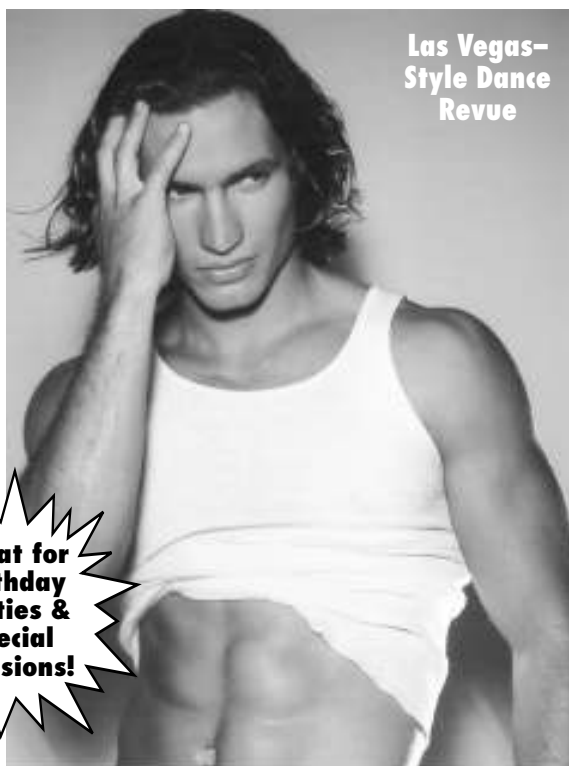
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The Desert Song

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.

Dial M For Murder

In Frederick Knott's psychological thriller, you know who done it, and who planned it (in *absolute* detail). The question is: can a Columbo-like detective and a writer of detective fictions solve what looks to be sly Tony Wendice's (Rick D. Meads) perfectly plotted crime? From afar Inspector Hubbard (David Cochran Heath) and Max Halliday (Matt Scott) don't strike one as a viable CSI unit. But, by combining fact with fictional techniques, they prevail with 59 minutes gone in the 11th hour. Before Alfred Hitchcock made it a movie, in 1954, *Dial M* was a play demanding extreme precision: who moves where, and how; the exact placement of gloves, letters on the desk. At Lamb's Players director Kerry Meads and her cast honor these intentions (as do Mike Buckley's scenic design, Cecelia Church's props, and the stage managers who make sure they're in place). Compared to today's thrillers, which move at the speed of sight, *Dial M* unfolds at a much slower "Can I freshen your drink?" pace. But though things feel languid and talky at times, it's a ripping good brain-scratcher. And when action's called for, Jennifer Austin and Nick Cordileone do a scary-convincing piece of stage combat.

Worth a try.

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Cathy Rigby in Peter Pan

ANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH NOVEMBER 14; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 619-437-0600.

Dirty Rotten Scoundrels

Go out of your way to see the Old Globe's remake of the 1988 movie! The brand-new musical's a joyous hoot. The performers relish singing David Yazbek's rich, eclectic score and spicy lyrics and speaking Jeffrey Lane's witty, pinpoint-accurate one-liners. With every moment like a two-sided coin, *Scoundrels* is silly and sly, and always funny — but plays only through October. Then it's on to Broadway for a March opening. And it's almost ready. Jack O'Brien's staging and David Rockwell's gorgeous French Riviera scenic designs have an astonishing fluidity. And though John Lithgow and Norbert Leo Butz could explore their characters' differences in greater detail, they're a winning tandem (having them play opposites, instead of a single type, as in the movie, opens up male gender dupes when the real sting goes down). The musical will need some cutting. But the writing's so tight, the scenes so solid, difficult choices lie ahead. But whatever else goes, one hopes they keep the lines "the Bushes of Tex / Became nervous wrecks / Because their son was so dim / ...but look what happened to him."

Critic's pick.

OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON

CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH NOVEMBER 7; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY (AND WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3) AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

The Dream Play

Sledgehammer Theatre presents August Strindberg's evocation of dreams, in which "everything can happen; everything is possible." Kirsten Brandt directed. SLEDGEHAMMER THEATRE, ST. CECILIA'S PLAYHOUSE, 1602 SIXTH AVENUE, DOWNTOWN, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, THROUGH NOVEMBER 21; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1484.

Escanaba in da Moonlight

Reviewed this issue. CYGNET THEATRE COMPANY, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, 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.

Fault Line One-Acts

Fault Line Players present *Day in the Life*, by T. Falagan; *The Dead Files*, by Debbie Fabiano; *The Promise*, by Kat Brokaw; *Cotton Candy*, by John Prorowski; *The Devil and the Old Man*, by Ary Hernandez; and *Cheney Heights*, by Nicole Brokaw. FAULT LINE THEATRE, 3152 FIFTH AV-

ENUE (BETWEEN REDWOOD AND SPRUCE), HILLCREST, THROUGH OCTOBER 16; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-692-3382.

Fiction

Linda and Michael Waterman are successful writers. During all their years of marriage, each has kept a private record: she a diary, he a journal (they also, small world, used the same woman as a muse). Suddenly she has three weeks to live and wants to read his journal. He can read her diary after she dies. The play's more interesting theoretically than dramatically. Can a diary be another "fiction"? The play could resonate if Linda, Michael, and their muse Abby, had lives below the neck. But they're more parts of a formalist pattern of abounding ironies than people. *Fiction* might work, and has elsewhere apparently, if the Old Globe production gave it the equivalent of a Bad Hair Day. Instead, the Globe gives it a slick surface and surrounds every word with an aura of forgiveness. Nothing Linda or Michael can say or write about each other will weaken their eternal bond. The aura undercuts potential conflict. But both are cultural snobs who, if nothing else, should conflict with the audience. Nance Williamson and Kurt Rhoads, however, turn barbs into polished literary banter. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, 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.

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To commemorate 9/11 "from the other side," the North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe presents music by George M. Cohan and Irving Berlin.

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I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

One of the longest-running shows in Off-Broadway history, *Perfect* covers the zodiac of relationships, starting with a first date ("Will I be a date from hell?"), through the singles scene ("Single Man Drought"), to marriage, children, even a funeral. Along the way a San Quentin con scares a timid couple into taking the Big Step ("You gotta compromise a little, you 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, split-second changes.

Worth a try. THEATRE IN OLD TOWN, 4040 TWIGGS STREET, OLD TOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M., FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 5:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-2494.

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Jersey Boys The La Jolla Playhouse stages the world premiere of a musical based on Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. Des McAnuff directed. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS THEATRE, MANDELL WEISS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, UCSD, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, THROUGH NOVEMBER 21; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010.

Joey and Maria's Comedy Italian Wedding The Culy Theater hosts "not-so-ordinary interactive dinner theater," as Joey and Maria tie the knot. DAVE AND BUSTER'S, 2931 CAMINO DEL RIO NORTH, MISSION VALLEY, AND 1355 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE, DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN. FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL 800-944-5639.

Late-Night Catechism The Laguna Playhouse has extended the run of this popular show several times. It's an "interactive adult catechism" class, taught by a sister from the spare-not-the-rod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister is substituting (it's the regular teacher's poker night, don't tell a soul). She used to teach but was deemed too strict for contemporary students. And the class is just that, part of a course 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.

The Love of Three Oranges Romanian guest artist Nona Ciobanu has taken the *commedia* tradition a step further. Along with Pantalone, Truffaldino, Smeralda, and the invidious Fata Morgana, Ciobanu's set assumes a starring role. It's an enormous yellow curtain that becomes a pregnant stomach, or the giant witch Creonta, or free-spirited visuals that make for open-ended interpretation. Carlo Gozzi's vaunted story's pretty flimsy. Prince Tartaglia (a witty/whiney Jim Parsons) gets hit by several curses. Can he overcome them? Not to worry, *Oranges'* villains 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.

Worth a try. LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, MANDELL WEISS FORUM, THROUGH OCTOBER 17; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010.

Mrs. Farnsworth Reviewed this issue. ARK CENTER, 3554 KETTNER BOULEVARD, MIDDLETOWN, THROUGH OCTO-

BER 31; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 866-811-4111.

National Comedy Theatre ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it'd be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling ("where Terrible Turks mangled defrocked Priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags"). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone's TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like "rugby and American football"), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on AcroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a "challenge match" against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played "Emotional Sympathy," "Shakespeare," "Blind Line," and "Freeze Tag," with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit, rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledged failure, abundantly, then forgot it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

Worth a try. MARQUIS THEATER, 3717 INDIA STREET, MISSION HILLS, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. AND 9:45 P.M. 619-295-4999.

Peter Pan Broadway*San Diego presents Cathy Rigby in the musical version of the popular story. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 202 C STREET, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 17; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY AT 6:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 1:00 P.M. 619-570-1100.

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 Trombones*. COMMUNITY ACTOR'S THEATRE, 2957 54TH STREET, SAN DIEGO, THROUGH OCTOBER 31, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-264-3391.

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, THROUGH OCTOBER 17; THURSDAY THROUGH

SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 714-708-5555.

Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead Grossmont College Theatre Arts Department presents Tom Stoppard's behind-the-scenes look at Shakespeare's *Hamlet*. Robert Irvin directed. STAGEHOUSE THEATRE, GROSSMONT COLLEGE, 8800 GROSSMONT COLLEGE DRIVE, EL CAJON, THROUGH OCTOBER 16; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-644-7234.

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,

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Worth a try.

THE FUNHOUSE, 6822-B EL CAJON BOULEVARD (BETWEEN 68TH AND 69TH), COLLEGE AREA, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 7:45 P.M. (THE "FAMILY" SHOW) AND AT 9:45 P.M. ("RATED PG-13"). 619-465-7469.

Seussical, the Musical

La Jolla Stage Company presents Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty's whimsical tribute to the world of Dr. Seuss. LA JOLLA STAGE COMPANY, THE FIREHOUSE, 7877 HERSCHEL AVENUE, LA JOLLA, THROUGH NOVEMBER 21; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:30 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-459-7773.

Shirley Valentine

Back by popular demand! Shirley's 46. Somewhere along the way,

something happened to her marriage. "Or," she asks the wall, "did nothing happen?" Now all she's got are large amounts of "unused life." In Willy Russell's one-person comedy-drama, a play about liberation minus the rhetoric, the working-class housewife makes the leap. She goes to Greece for a fortnight that may become a lifetime. Rosina Reynolds, such a local mainstay her name has marquee value, does some of her finest work as Shirley. Such an assured, layered, human performance: Reynolds has a comedian's rapport with the audience, often getting on a roll, nailing joke after joke, then, with a breath-taking turn, verging on the tragic. The Renaissance Theatre Company gives her ample support. Jeanne Reith's costumes (and Karin Filijan's expert lighting) range from Liverpool smudge to Greek isle chic. And Jerry Sonnenberg puts a dining area and functional kitchen in a small space.

Critic's pick.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, THROUGH OCTOBER 27; MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE WEDNESDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

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Soul Fire

The Playwrights Project stages a new work, by Lisa Kirazian, based on actual stories of ten immigrants to San Diego. Esther Emery directed. PERFORMANCE ANNEX, WEINGART/CITY HEIGHTS LIBRARY, 3795 FAIRMOUNT AVENUE, CITY HEIGHTS, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, THROUGH OCTOBER 23; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-8222.

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 both one-acts. 6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH OCTOBER 31; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

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 THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

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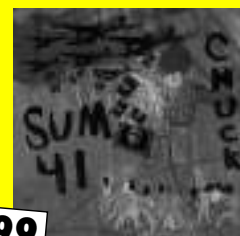
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"Guns drawn, agents of the U.S. Marshals Service served a warrant on a tiny Santa Cruz pirate radio station, rousting and frisking

station (freakradio.org) said the equipment confiscation would silence the station temporarily. "Until we get our antenna back up you can still listen to us online."

"They [U.S. Marshals] took \$5000 in equipment," said Skidmark Bob, a programmer and spokesperson for the pirate

The *Sentinel* also reported, "Mayor Scott Kennedy reminded the volatile crowd [of about 60, according to the *San Jose Mercury News*] that the City Council had passed a resolution supporting the station after an earlier threat to shut it down. Kennedy called the raid especially inappropriate in light of the country's 'wars on other fronts.' City Councilman Mark Primack, who also was at the scene, professed his admiration for those who toil outside the system 'where creativity happens.'"

According to the *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, "Tires on five of the agents' vehicles were slashed. No arrests were made."

The manager for Free Radio Santa Cruz, V-Man, was in town last Saturday for the "NAB counterconference," as Skidmark Bob termed the

group that was held at the Worldbeat Center in Balboa Park at the same time that the National Association of



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COULD THIS HAPPEN TO FREE RADIO SD?

Broadcasters met at the San Diego Convention Center.

"He and I and some other station people will be talking about logistics, pooling our knowledge."

Bob Ugly of Free Radio San Diego 96.9 FM, which marks its second anniversary this month, said via e-mail that FRSD would probably help its equipment-challenged brethren from Santa Cruz "by giving them some of our spare equipment so they can get back on the air."

A second pirate station at 96.9 FM has left the airwaves after only a few weeks on the

air. The Oceanside station aired Spanish-language religious programming including holy hip-hop. The station only reached part of North County. Free Radio San Diego (www.pirate969.org) hits North Park and the immediate vicinity.

— Ken Leighton

"It was the biggest theater in Mexico. It seated 2400. It opened in 1951 but closed down in 1992 when the roof burned."

Lifelong Tijuana resident Alex Zuñiga, 36, says that someone with a cigarette started the fire. "The roof is gone, but the concrete walls are two feet thick. It looked like Roman ruins."

Zuñiga played drums in Tijuana No, one of the few Tijuana bands to score a major recording contract. The band released three records on the BMG/Latin and BMG/Mexico labels. After 13 years Tijuana No broke up in 2002. Now Zuñiga's helping to breathe new life into the Cine Bujazán site by

launching a creative space known as Multikulti (www.multikulti.org.mx).

Zuñiga says graphic artists can create during the day while bands and other live acts perform at night. "There are no places for bands to record demos at in Tijuana. We eventually want to get recording studios in here."

While he says the City of Tijuana supports the Multikulti cause, the city has no funding available for the project. And he says, unlike El Foro (a 2000-seat concert facility, formerly known as the Jai Alai Palace), which is now sponsored by Coca-Cola, Multikulti will remain "an



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Zuñiga says the lobby still

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the pajama-clad residents of the co-op house from which the station had been broadcasting. No one was arrested.... The target was Free Radio Santa Cruz, an FM microstation boasting 35 to 40 watts of power and offering round-the-clock music, activism, and other local programming." That's how the *San Jose Mercury News* described the end of the almost ten-year-old illegal station that had been broadcasting at 101.1 FM.

The website for the

station. "They took two brand-new CD players, a 20-channel mixing board, and a computer. We were never served a cease-and-desist [order]."

According to the *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, "Supervising federal deputy Cheryl Koel said three people were served with civil court orders advising them the equipment was being seized due to violations of radio station licensing regulations, an order they could protest in court."



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has a roof but that the theater will remain open to the air.

Multikulti presents its first live music event 8 p.m. October 23 with Mexico City's Maldita Vecindad, Tijuana's Revorajo (including members of Tijuana No), and a DJ collective called the Tijuana Dub Squad. All ages are admitted, admission is \$9. Multikulti is at Avenida Constitución between Sixth and Seventh Streets in downtown Tijuana. Beer is served to those over 18.

— Ken Leighton

The rumor that the site of L5 will be used for a Hard Rock Café hotel is "absolutely true," said Eric Taylor, Hard Rock Café general manager.

Shannon Worley of the Cohn Restaurant Group, which owns L5, said that L5 should stay open as a music venue "at least until the first of the year."

L5 is a 600-capacity nightclub on Fifth Avenue. It has hosted hip-hop artists Slick Rick, Biz Markie, DJ Jazzy Jeff, KRS-ONE, Mobb

Deep, and Too Short.

Another Fifth Avenue venue will also be dropping its music lineup. Currently the Blue Tattoo hosts DJs spinning R&B and hip-hop hits Thursday through Saturday nights and 1980s pop hits on Wednesday.

"We're going to be opening an entirely new club at Blue Tattoo," said owner George Harrington. He said the nightclub will be closed for remodeling sometime after the first of the year. The yet-to-be-named "high-end club" (according to Harrington) will feature an "upscale DJ" format.

E Street Alley, Aubergine, Fifth Qtr., and Ole Madrid still feature hip-hop DJs.

— Ken Leighton

"We get free herb as part of our rider."

Dan Delion, singer/vocalist of Vegetation, doesn't seem to mind that his seven-man reggae band isn't getting paid to play the 17th Annual Cannabis Cup in Amsterdam. His Ocean Beach band was notified recently that they were selected to play the five-day pot-and-culture celebration November 21-25.

Cannabis Cup (www.cannabiscup.com) is a competition between Amsterdam coffeehouses to see who has the best marijuana. Guests who pay full admission (\$200 in

advance, \$240 at the door) become judges for the event. Trophies are handed out for the best bud.

Delion said Vegetation was invited to play by Can Cup organizer Steven Bloom. "He is also the publisher of *High Times* magazine. They reviewed our record *From the Garden*."

Delion admits *High Times* "only reviews pot-friendly artists.... We're a lot more than a stoner band.... Out of our 35 original songs, 3 are about herb. Our music is more about freedom and



VEGETATION GETS FREE HERB IN AMSTERDAM

change."

Vegetation (www.vegetation.com) appears October 23 at Rosie O'Grady's in Normal Heights and November 6 at Winstons in Ocean Beach.

— Ken Leighton

UC Berkeley graduate student Hirokazu Hiraiwa

says it took five days holed up in his San Diego home last summer to write the college's new fight song, "California Triumph."

It's the first new Cal fight song since 1978, but the 22-year-old (who beat out 15 other competitors in a nationwide contest) never got around to writing lyrics, even though he collected a \$2000 prize for the composition.

The Cal Band is sponsoring a contest to come up with words for "California Triumph."

An audio file of the song is posted on the band's website (www.calband.berkeley.edu/calband/). Lyric submissions can be mailed to:

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Hiraiwa, who played trombone with the Cal Band for four years, told the *UC Berkeley News* he'd never composed a song. "I don't know if it's just beginner's luck or what." Regarding potential lyrics, Hiraiwa told the *Tri-Valley Herald*, "It would be nice if the song mentions Oski somewhere,"

referring to the institution's golden bear mascot. He has no plans to write more music. "It's not really something I want to do or could do.... I'm not really lyrically inclined."



HIROKAZU FAVORS BEARS TO LYRICS

UC Berkeley director of bands Bob Calonico says, "I'm interested to find out what rhymes with 'umph,'" noting the song is a 32-bar, uptempo march with "a fight-song feel." The Cal Band needs lyrics by October 21 and wants to be able to play "California Triumph" by January, when it will replace "Stanford Jonah" in the pregame performance. There is no prize for winning the lyric contest.

— Jay Allen Sanford

On October 24, Charger quarterback Doug Flutie

will launch www.dougflutie7.com, featuring downloadable audio files with songs by his band, the Flutie Gang. The 42-year-old plays drums. Flutie was

the fifth-oldest quarterback ever to start an NFL game and the first over 40 to score two rushing touchdowns in one game. Flutie's brother Darren (a Canadian football star, currently third all-time in the Canadian Football League for pass receptions) plays guitar in the band, which was formerly called the Flutie Brothers and, before that, Catch This. Other players include Bobby O'Donnell (keyboards) and two members of the Boston-area band the Mudhens, Michael Gauvin Smith (guitar) and Tom Groleau (bass).

A recent Flutie Gang performance on an ABC *Monday Night Football* special feature entitled "Monday Night at the Mic" was voted the show's "Best Performance" by call-in fans. The band has also played charity benefits for autism research. Flutie's son, Doug Jr., developed autism soon after birth, and proceeds from the quarterback's "Flutie Flakes" cereal has, since April 1998, generated around \$1.5 million for a foundation named after his son. Proceeds from sales of the Flutie Gang CDs also go to the Doug Flutie Jr. Foundation.

The second and newest Flutie Gang CD is called *Ramblin' Scramblin' Man*. A notice on the new website informs that songs will be posted. At this writing, those audio files are still empty. But

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we have the titles: "Angels Fall from the Sky," "Great American Dream," and "We're Gonna Win."

— Jay Allen Sanford

Jersey Boys, playing until November 21 at the La Jolla Playhouse, is a play based on the life of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons. It was co-written by Marshal Brickman and is debuting in La Jolla. Brickman has co-written six Woody Allen films (including *Annie Hall*, for which he won an Oscar).

I asked him about writing with Woody.

"He was, for the most part, generous, inspired, hilarious, and savvy. The only problem was that the tuna sandwiches his housekeeper served were on the small side. So I would compensate by eating the decorative nuts off the coffee table. The collaboration consisted of extended conversations that took place

during endless walks around Manhattan. Out of these conversations evolved the characters and stories and plots. He would then go off and make the movie, and I would be invited to a rough cut and then the opening. I could never explain to my parents exactly what it was we did, and I still find it difficult."

"*Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* [with John Lithgow] started here and is going to Broadway. Will *Jersey Boys* make it to Broadway?"

"That's the question my accountant keeps asking."

I talked to director Des McAnuff. "*The Buddy Holly Story* was good," he said, "but it was predictable. I mean, the success and then tragic event. This story, you wouldn't



PHOTOGRAPH BY SCOTT HUMBERT

JERSEY BOYS PENNED BY WOODY-STARVED WRITER

believe what these guys went through. Their songs are part of Americana, but before they broke big, many of them were in prison. They spent a total of 16 years behind bars. They were in a tough part of New

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Jersey. It's like *The Sopranos*." *Jersey Boys* runs until November 21 at the La Jolla Playhouse. Tickets are \$39 to \$57.

— Josh Board

El Cajon manufacturer Taylor guitars is seeing more stars tout their musical wares. Prince's current tour features his new acoustic purple-stained 612ce model, which he's seen holding in a full-page photo in the July issue of *Guitar Player* magazine. This time Prince allowed the company to place a "Taylor" logo on the model's peghead; in 1984 Prince bought a custom Taylor but refused to have the logo.

When the Purple One recently appeared on CNBC's *Special Report with Maria*

Bartiromo, he performed using a director's Taylor 414 model. "The producers had been trying to get [Prince] to play something when they booked him for the show...but he was very reluctant," read the director's website post. "It occurred to me to bring in my two-week-old Taylor 414. I figured we could put it on the set near him, and it wouldn't be as big a deal as getting up and going over to a piano. Well, come airtime, he still wasn't wanting to play (he said he'd only been awake for three hours). By the third segment he said he'd play the guitar, but only if Maria would sing (which she can't). Short story long, he played my Taylor on the air...parts of 'Purple Rain' and some bluesy licks."

Other rockers with Taylor

guitars include the Red Hot Chili Peppers' John Frusciante (who has a Taylor 314ce, custom-fitted with the Expression System, a magnetic-based acoustic guitar pickup), Leo Kottke (who appeared with his LKSM-12 on a recent *Frets* magazine cover), Mike Keneally (who taught clinics at Taylor and owns an 810-Brazilian model and a 614ce), Chrissie Hynde (who owns a "Summer Special" rosewood 412ce), and Pearl Jam's Stone Gossard (who owns a pair of Taylor Expression System-equipped 710s).

In summer of 2003, Michelle Shocked visited the Taylor building at 1980 Gillespie Way to pick up a new 714ce to replace her 810 model, which had been stolen

from her car in Washington, D.C. Al Stewart visited in August 2003 to order a 612ce and a 914ce model. When Cheap Trick played San Diego last October, guitarist Rick Nielsen dropped by to have his custom Taylor guitar (the prototype for a Nielsen RNSM artist model) retrofitted with the Expression System.

Steve Poltz, who has a Taylor 710 with a Guinness bottle cap imbedded in the peghead, will be playing Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre tomorrow.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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The infamous UK DJ John Peel seems to agree: When the Glossines sent him their self-released, self-titled CD, he started playing tracks on his show. Could this be another local act, struggling in the fishbowl of the San Diego scene, that will find its true calling overseas? They already have a growing fan base in Great Britain, and a loyal one here.

Where can you find this three-piece all-girl band? All the usual places where alt-bands get stage time, but also (lately) at the Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego downtown, the Martini Ranch, the Alibi, and the Ken Club. They have also opened for Bow Wow Wow at 'Canes and the 5-6-7-8s (best known for their appearance in Quentin Tarantino's *Kill Bill Vol. 1*) at the Casbah.

There's a new CD in the works, and perhaps this time they will find a label to give them a home. About their new work? "It'll make you see God,"

says Kristin. "Hey, did you know I like the Kentucky Fried Chicken drive-in plate lunch?"

"Hot dog sandwiches with sauerkraut," says Nina.

"Rainbow-sprinkled doughnuts," says Amber.

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MOST MEMORABLE ENCOUNTER WITH FANS?

Amber "There's a cute boy who comes to all of our shows and

throws his socks at us when we're done playing."

Kristin "We played Hollywood one time, and Kim Fowley [seen in *The Mayor of Sunset Strip*] wouldn't let us leave; he asked us to be in his movie. We kept calling him Eddie, because he reminded us of Eddie of Iron Maiden fame."

Nina "Someone thought I was Annabella from Bow Wow Wow and I signed an autograph for her. I wrote, 'Have a bitchin' summer. Love, Annabella.'"

TRICKIEST MUSICAL PROBLEM?

Kristin "Once in a while my bass drum decides to take a walk."

Amber "No musical problems here, Michael!"

Nina "Diplopia [double vision]."

INSTRUMENTS/EQUIPMENT USED?

Amber "Amp, bass."

Kristin "1962 Slingerland jazz kit, Zildjian cym-



Amber, Kristin, and Nina

bals, Maybelline Great Lash."

Nina "Sorted and sundry bastardized Fender products, true Bella Super Slinky strings, and a Sexy pedal."

TOP FIVE CURRENT PLAYLIST?

Amber

1. Duran Duran, *Rio*
2. Screeching Weasel, *Kill the Musicians*
3. Siouxsie and the Banshees, *Twice upon a Time: The Singles*
4. Sisters of Mercy, *Some Girls Wander by Mistake*
5. Ramones, *Acid Eaters*

Kristin

1. Pretty Things, *S.F. Sorrow*
2. Scott Walker, *Sings Jacques Brel*

3. João Gilberto, *The Boss of the Bossa Nova*
4. The United States of America, self-titled (1968)
5. The Birthday Party, *Prayers on Fire*

Nina

1. The Gris Gris, self-titled
2. Mr. Airplane Man, *C'mon DJ*
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Bob Dylan [566]: Cox Arena, Friday, October 22, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Edwin McCain and **Maia Sharp**: 4th & B, Friday, October 22, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Lunesa and **Skelpin**: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Friday, October 22, 7 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

Jeffrey Foucault: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, October 22, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Karl Denson: 4th & B, Saturday, October 23, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

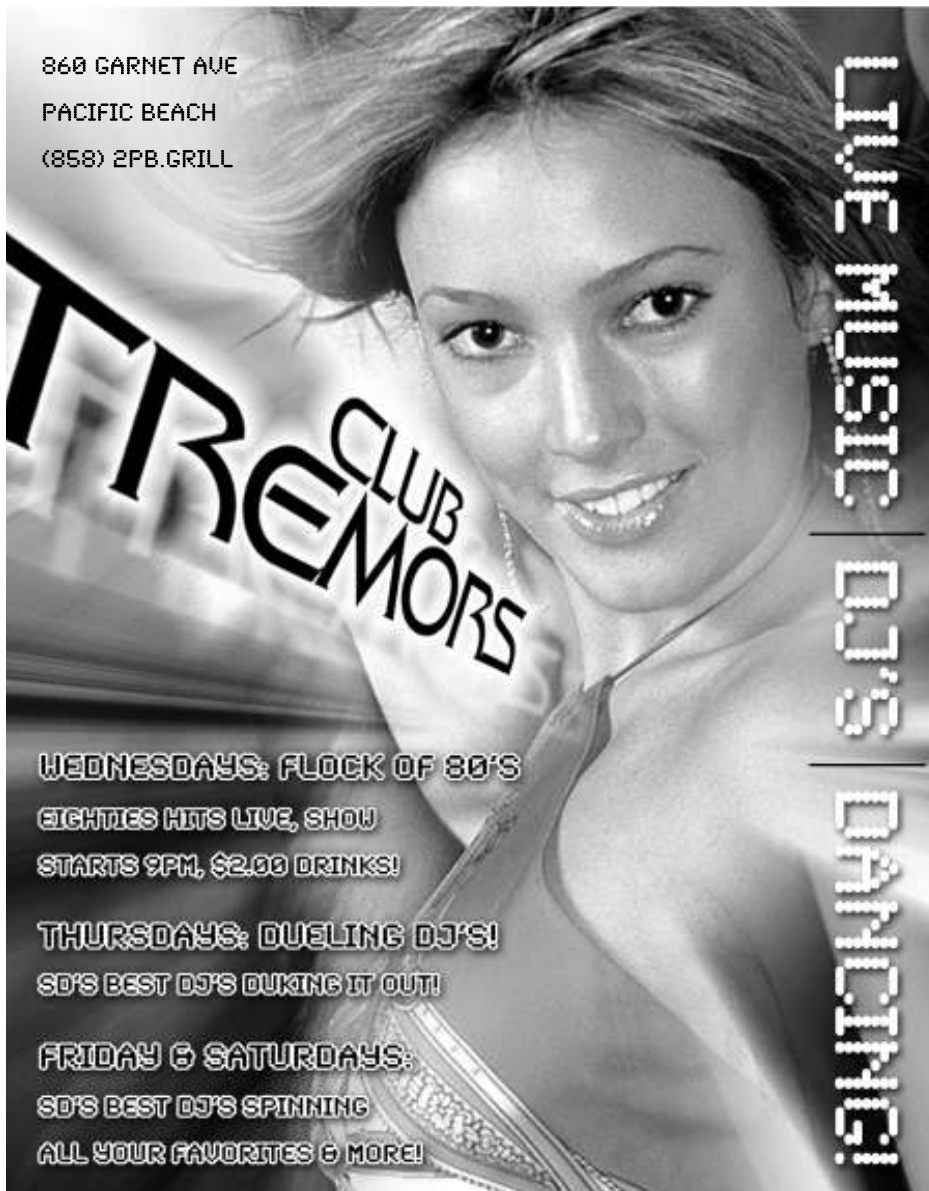
P.J. Harvey [509] and **Knife and Fork**: SOMA, Saturday, October 23, 8:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

Digital Underground [256] and **Giant People**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, October 23, 9 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

John Jorgenson: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, October 23, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Sly & Robbie: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, October 24, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Courtney Love, the **Suicide Girls**, and **Icarus Line**: 4th & B, Sunday, October 24, 7:30 p.m., 345 B Street,



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Louise Taylor: Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, October 24, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

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.

Sound Tribe Sector Nine: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, October 27, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Les Claypool [156]: 4th & B, Wednesday, October 27, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Metal Church: Brick by Brick, Wednesday, October 27, 8 p.m., 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-275-5483.

Steel Pulse [730] and **Southland:** 4th & B, Thursday, October 28, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

The Misfits [497], Agent Orange [195], the Millionaires [416], and the **Creepy Creeps:** '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.

Kenny Wayne Shepherd [938]: Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Saturday, October 30, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

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.

Sleepytime Gorilla Museum, Bunky [251], the Long and Short of It, and **Viscus Edo:** The Casbah, Saturday, October 30, 10 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Terri Hendrix and **Lloyd Maines:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, October 30, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

Good Charlotte and **Sum 41 [188]:** RIMAC Arena, Sunday, October 31, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

! OF NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

When I was in high school, a friend made a compilation tape for me with a number of disturbing songs from the likes of Mission of Burma, Death of Samantha, and the Butthole Surfers, but the one that really creeped me out was "Walk in the Woods" by **Peter Case**. Like many of Case's songs, it features just a voice and a guitar, but Case's intense solo performances often rock harder than many full bands. (In fact, they often rock harder than his own performances with full bands.) This song tells the story of a young couple who "took a walk in the woods and they never came back." The local townsfolk look for them, but there's not a trace to be found. In

the last verse, Case switches from third person to first. He is the man who disappeared, singing from the perspective of many years later. We don't know what happened to him, we don't know what happened to the woman. We only know that they never came back. Were they trying to run away? Did he kill her? Were they abducted by aliens?

The song stuck with me, and I thought of it many times over the years while watching *Twin Peaks*, *The Blair Witch Project*, or, creepiest of all, when I was in a forest by myself. It was a long time before I learned that Case was the same man who once sang the Plimsouls' unforgettable new wave song "A Million Miles Away."

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Glen Campbell [767]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, November 4, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

Juliette Lewis & the Licks: The Casbah, Thursday, November 4, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

Béla 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., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Diana Ross: Civic Theatre, Tuesday, November 9, Third Avenue at B Street, San Diego. 619-570-1100 or 619-220-8497.

And You Will Know Us by the Trail of Dead: Brick by Brick, Wednesday, November 10, 8 p.m., 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-275-5483.

Guided by Voices [120]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, November

11, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Bad Religion [226]: SOMA, Friday, November 12, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

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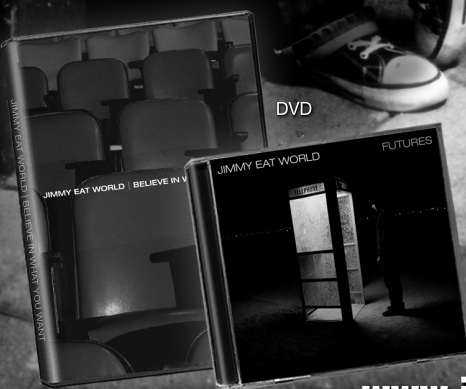
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Octavius: The Casbah

The Pushstars: Belly Up Tavern

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Red Tuesday: Tio Leo's Lounge

Remembering Never: Epicentre

Resolver: Blind Melons

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Saturday's Child: The Jumping Turtle

The Scotch Greens: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

Simply Complex [233]: Tio Leo's Lounge

Skinny Puppy: 4th & B

The Sleeping: Soma

Spoken Gun: Triple Crown Pub

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Terror: Epicentre

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Bent Member: Winstons

Big Backyard: Dream Street

Big Toe: Winstons

Blind Date: The Manhattan Lounge

Boneyard: Coyote Bar and Grill

The Joey Bowen Band: The Jumping Turtle

Brainhammer: Coaster Saloon

Brax: The Ould Sod

Breaking Benjamin: 4th & B

The Bronx: Soma

Marc Broussard: Belly Up Tavern

Cilantro: Winstons

A Conscious Few: Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)

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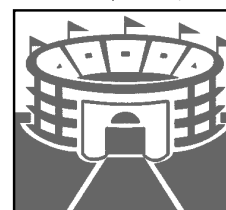
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Album Name: *Threek* (2004)

Artist: Bred'n Buddha

Label: Burly Q Records

Songs: 1) Broke Doak Boogie 2) Boom Boom 3) Mudbug

4) Argonaut 5) Conversations With Osmodiar 6) Rabbit One

7) Threek 8) Goin' Back to Chicago 9) billcosby 10) Surfin'

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Band Members: Ian Wright (guitar, vocals, slide), Michael Neuhaus (drums, vocals), Siriaco Briones (bass)

Extra Info: Bred'n Buddha play the Sandbar (718 Ventura Place, Mission Beach) Wednesday, October 13, along with On the One

Website: www.brednbuddha.com

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low "Broke Doak Boogie" and continuing into "Boom Boom," the trio's interplay is tight, and, despite the heavy improvisation, each cut remains neat and balanced.

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The title track "Threek," is more of a cool-jazz number with a heated sax at its centerpiece. The guys blend different aspects of each song into another, employing alternate tuning and unusual time signatures. The focus continues to shift to the instrumentals as the album advances. There's a definite Latin bent to the guitar styling, and the trio makes good use of miscellaneous percussion. Tracks like "Mudbug" and "Goin' Back to Chicago" both share the same kind of doltishly pleasant never-ending country rhythm, though the latter does have the most memorable lyricism of the entire album, "*Back of the Yards at Davis Square, '88 Caddy gonna get us there / Big-legged woman right by my side, Cruisin' cross town on the 55 / Big headlights and a bucket seat, drive a few miles and she's putting out heat / Got a lit-*



Bred'n Buddha

tle shimmy, it'll stop on a dime. Ain't much to look at, but she's all mine." As the song continues, it becomes harder to figure out if he's talking about the car or the woman. In either case, it's not exactly flattering.

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Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Music is rock/pop/alternative. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Mason Jennings* and *Haley Bonar*. Friday, 9:15 p.m., *the Young Dubliners* and *the Truckee Brothers*. Saturday, *Nancy Sinatra* and *TNA Dico*. Sunday, 7:30 p.m., *Martin Sexton* and *the Pushstars*. Tuesday, 8 p.m., *Cross Canadian Ragweed*, and guests. Wednesday, *Marc Broussard* and *Blue Mearle*.

Bistro 221, 221 Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-7398. Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Donnie Finnell & Co. East*, standards and light jazz.

The Blvd., 925 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-510-0004. Thursday, hip-hop/R&B. Friday, on the patio, 6 p.m., *Torpedo Betty*, *Eleven Eyes*, and *Freshly Squeezed*, blues/rock, 9 p.m., *the Scotch Greens*, alternative. Sunday, 10 p.m., *Dulce*. Monday, 7 p.m., *Fellway*, *Offtrack*, and *Curbside 10*, alternative. Tuesday, live hip-hop. Wednesday, country.

Boar Cross'n, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Local Tourist*, classic rock.

Bub's Whiskey Dive, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *the Blues Pharaohs*, blues.

The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, *Runnin' Blue*, blues. Friday, *Jeff Moore* and *Dean Smith*, blues/pop. Saturday, *Woody & Heartland*, folk rock. Sunday, *the Flounders*, folk/classic rock. Monday, *Eve Selis*, roadhouse rock. Tuesday, *Jack Tempchin*, folk. Wednesday, *the Hodads*, surf rock.

Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *West of Memphis*, classic rock.

Cheers, 2475 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-0270. Friday and Saturday, classic rock. Sunday, *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock. Monday, open mike.

The Cow Shed, 502 East Mission Road, San Marcos. 760-471-4579. Friday and Saturday, live rock/alternative.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Rhythm Method*, classic rock. Friday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Restless Natives*, rock/blues/reggae. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., *the Druthers*, folk rock, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Len Rainey & the Midnight Players*, blues. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *the Fremonts*, blues, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Mark Lesserman*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Boneyard*, rock.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Saturday, *Gish*, rock. Sunday, 4 p.m., *the Upstairs Jazz Club*.

The Jumping Turtle, 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7778. Thursday, 9 p.m., *Joe Wood & His Lonely Ones*. Friday, *the Joey Bowen Band* and *Mai Lai*, rock. Saturday, *G. Tom Mac*, *Rambis*, *Saturday's Child*, and guests, alternative.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, *Jeff Moore & the Witchdoctors*, blues. Friday, *Bill Magee Blues*. Saturday, *Blue Heat*, blues/rock. Sunday, *the Blues Brokers*, blues. Monday, *the Charles Burton Blues Band*.

Longshot Saloon, 643 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-8576. Friday, *Tall and Motus*, alternative. Saturday, *the Shocks of Mighty* and *Stranger*, reggae.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, *the Essentials* and *Memphis*, rock. Friday, *Funkenstein*, funk/dance. Wednesday, reggae.

Mas Fina Cantina, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

McCabe's Beach Club, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the California Rangers*, country.

Miracles Cafe, 1953 San Elijo Avenue, Cardiff. 760-943-7924. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *John Foltz*, acoustic folk/rock.



MUSIC ➤ acoustic, fado (solemn music accompanied by two guitars, one being a Portuguese guitar called a viola)

SPECIAL NIGHTS ➤ Friday, musicians from Point Loma High School; Saturday, Italian singer Isabella

CLIENTELE ➤ all ages; average age early 30s; a few families

COVER ➤ none

HOURS ➤ closed Monday; Tuesday through Thursday, 11:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 a.m.; Sunday, 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

DRINKS ➤ local brews on tap; happy hour 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. on weekdays (\$1 off everything); Portuguese wines
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DRESS ➤ casual

DANCE FLOOR ➤ 25' by 25'

FIRE EXITS ➤ downstairs — two exits, one onto Newport Avenue, and another out the back; upstairs — only the stairway

BATHROOMS ➤ men's had a urinal and stall; women's had two stalls; both had a sink, large mirrors, were clean and graffiti-free

CAPACITY ➤ 150

SPECIAL AREAS ➤ the bottom level is going to be turned into a Portuguese market; upstairs has a nice view of Newport Avenue

FURNISHINGS ➤ the ceiling has netting intertwined with grapevines; the walls were painted with Portuguese landscapes and towns (I heard one family pointing out where they lived); 14 tables, a small bar

Scalini, 3790 Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-259-9944. Sunday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Sambajazz*, American and Brazilian jazz.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *Skanic*, ska. Saturday, *Married by Elvis*, rock. Wednesday, open mike.

Tom Giblin's Irish Pub & Restaurant, 640 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-7234. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Clay Colton*, acoustic alternative rock.

DECIBEL LEVEL ➤ 97 when house music was playing on the sound system; 97 last week at the Zodiac Hookah Lounge

QUOTABLE ➤ "The Jesus that's painted on the wall has a goatee. It makes Jesus look more like the owner of this restaurant than the way he usually looks — which is like Ted Nugent."

I had never been to a Portuguese restaurant, so I asked Point Loma native and owner Jason Nascimento how common they were. He said, "We're the only one in San Diego." Jason used to be a history teacher, but he decided to put up his mom's house to secure a loan to open this place a few months ago. He said, "It was always my grandfather's dream to have a restaurant. And when he died, I decided to do it. I used to be a teacher, and now I'm here all day. Sometimes my mom will come in, but one person was saying something about what I put in the soup, and I thought my mom was going to kill them. My chefs really do cook the food

exactly the way they do in Portugal."

There was supposed to be a well-known singer named Mariza coming tonight to sing. She was at Humphrey's earlier, opening for Sergio Mendez. There was a large crowd expecting her, and she was a no-show.

I met a woman named Anne Silva here. She works for the Portuguese Historical Center and is writing a book on the tuna industry in Portugal. She couldn't stop raving about the restaurant, telling me, "There's a bit of a feud between Madeirenses and Acoreanos regarding which island is better. This place serves the food of all the Portuguese islands. There's stuff from Lisbon, Cape Verde, the Azores, and Madeira Islands."

If you want authentic Portuguese food (and to keep Jason's mom from losing her house), swing by.

— Josh Board

Aurous, and *the Empire State*, rock/alternative. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Elijah Emanuel & the Revelations*, reggae. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *the Bredren*, reggae, 9 p.m., live bands. Monday, open mike. Tuesday, *Apple Seeds*, and *Broken View*, rock. Wednesday, *YFS*, *Resolver*, *Erotomania*, and *Dateless Losers*, alternative rock.

'Canes, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Fuzz Huzzi*, *Foil*, *Fith*, *the Nervous*, and *Heroe*. Friday,

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Coaster Saloon, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4437. Thursday, 9:30 p.m., *Brainhammer*, heavy-metal cover band.

Daddio's Superior Bar & Grill, 4556 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-272-4656. Friday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

Dream Street, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Music is alternative/rock. Thursday, *Bar Code*, *Big Choke*, and *Goya Babies*. Friday, *Big Backyard* and *La Lluvia*. Saturday, *King E*, *Serious Issues*, and *Way Cool Jr.*

Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Music is blues/jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., also, Friday and Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Jack Pollack*, contemporary. Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Sean McVicker*.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Music is rock. Thursday, *Ivyl Vynl* and *Suckerfish*. Friday, *A Conscious Few* and *Elliot Ness*. Saturday, *the Wreck*, *Drivepin*, and *Endris*.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *Relic*, rock. Saturday, *NZ Rough*, reggae. Wednesday, *Cathryn Beeks*, acoustic/folk, and *Hugh Gaskins*, blues.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Barry Levich*, jazz. Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Rick Ross*, jazz.

Moondoggies, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Wednesday, *Seventimes*, rock.

Moray's Lounge, at the Catamaran Hotel, 3999 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-488-1081. Thursday, 8:30 p.m. to midnight, *Rick Ross*, jazz, piano, saxophone, and vocals. Friday through Wednesday, *Larry Fogel*, singer pianist.

Pasquale on Prospect, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-0722. Friday, *the Sacha Boutros Quartet*, jazz.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, *Mississippi Mudd*, blues. Friday, *the Rock Trio*. Saturday, *the Pushers*, rock. Sunday, *the Jimmy Lewis Acoustic Show*.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Kings Highway*, rock. Friday, *Vinyl*. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Bent Member* and *Big Toe*, classic rock, 9:30 p.m., *Albino* and

Israel Maldonado, reggae. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Slim Chance*, rock. Monday, *Electric Waste Band*, classic rock. Tuesday, *Wadi Gad* and *the Jah Bandits*, reggae. Wednesday, *Cilanтро*, rock.

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Albie's Beef Inn, 1201 Hotel Circle South, San Diego. 619-291-1103. Friday and Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m., *David Timothy Smith*.

Blarney Stone Pub, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Tony Cummins*, Irish folk. Sunday, open mike. Monday, *Sean O'Donnell* and *Allison Gayle*. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, *Larger Than Leon* or *Bad Credit*, rock.

Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. All music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *FL*, *Ugly*, and *Jac*. Friday, *Winterthrawl*, *Damnation*, and *Gutrot*. Saturday, *Malachi Crunch*, *the Dreaming*, *FM Revolver*, and *In Memory*.

Caffe Calabria, 3933 30th Street, North Park. 619-291-1759. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Sue Palmer*, *Sharon Shufelt*, and *Deeja Marie*, boogie-woogie/jazz.

California Club, 5522 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-287-2895. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Dead as Dillinger*, *the Knucklebusters*, and *Hell Yeah*, punk psychobilly/alternative rock.

Claire de Lune, 2905 University Avenue, North Park. 619-688-9845. Thursday, 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Bill Farkas*, *Mermaid's Journey*, and *Josh Wachtel*, adult alternative.

Epicentre, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. All music is alternative/rock/heavy. Thursday, *Anti-Jingoism*, *Forfit*, and *Fuzz*. Friday, *Unearth*, *the Black Dahlia Murder*, *Terror*, and *Remembering Never*. Saturday, *Fear Before the March of Flames*, *Before Today*, *Vaux*, and *Code 7*. Sunday, *Evergreen Terrace*, *Until the End*,

Donnybrook, *Casey Jones*, and *the Warriors*.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly.

Hot Monkey Love Cafe, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-582-5908. Friday, 7 p.m., live rock/acoustic/punk. Sunday, 8:30 p.m., salsa. Monday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Karin Carson Jazz Jam*, classic jazz.

Humphrey's, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. Thursday, 9:30 p.m., *Criminal Funk*, '80s dance covers. Friday, call club for information. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Jumpstart*, classic rock, 8 p.m., *Michele Lundeen*, blues, 9:30 p.m., *Jimmy Thackery & the Drivers*. Sunday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Monday, 9 p.m., *Carbon Leaf*, acoustic pop. Tuesday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Island Breeze*, *Jimmy Buffet* tribute band. Wednesday, 9:30 p.m., *the Soul Persuaders*, funk/soul/dance.

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Jamar's Restaurant and Lounge, 7777 University Avenue, La Mesa. 619-469-7777. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, *the Bert Torres Band*. Wednesday, call club for information.

Lestat's Coffeehouse, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Pete Thurston*. Friday, *the Nervous* and *Lucy's Falling*, alternative. Saturday, call club for information. Sunday, *Anya Marina*, *Mt. Egypt*, and *Chasing Paper*. Monday, open mike. Wednesday, *Aaron Bowen*, *Tim Corley*, *Dustin Shey*, and *Victoria Robertson*.

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Scolari's Office, 3936 30th Street, San Diego. 619-296-3546. Friday, 9 p.m., *Hale Zukas, the Demonstrations, Electrocrypt, Everybodies*, and the *International Playboys*, dark decadent rock.

Second Wind, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Music starts at 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday, *Pale Black*, classic rock. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Lafayette & the Leasebreakers*, blues.

Sham Rocks Shack, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (1/2 block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Saturday, *Left-Hand Thread*, rock.

Soma, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is heavy rock/alternative. Thursday, *Fall Out Boy, Matchbook Romance*, and the *Sleeping*. Saturday, *the Apples, Dorado Gold, Tailgunner, Campaign for Guilt*,

and *Honor Wounds*. Sunday, *the Used, Atreyu, Head Automatica, and the Bronx*.

Tio Leo's Lounge, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, *Big Daddy Orchestra*, blues. Saturday, *the Dragmites, Red Tuesday*, and *Simply Complex*, alternative. Monday, swing. Tuesday, zydeco. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *High Society Jazz Band*.

Triple Crown Pub, 3221 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-281-0263. Saturday, 10 p.m., *Spoken Gun*, alternative.

Tutto Mare, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet*.

Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Anna Troy, Teflon*, and *Amish Television*. Friday, 8:30 p.m., *Martin Storrow, Michael Tiernan, Tim Mudd, Reserved 16*, and *P.C. Munoz & the Amen Corner*. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., *the Celtic Ensemble*. Wednesday, open mike.

DOWNTOWN

Blarney Stone Pub, 502 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-8519. Friday through Sunday, and Wednesday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic.

Caesar's Cafe, 801 C Street, downtown. 619-234-8141. Thursday, two shows, 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m., *Dora Hall, Bradley Leighton*, and guests, jazz.

The Casbah, 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-232-HELL. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *David Thomas & Two Pale Boys, Her Space Holiday, Daedelus, Neotropic, Octavius*, and *Thavius Beck*. Friday, *the Dirtbombs and the Ponys*. Saturday, *Buck 65, Sunday, Immortal Lee County Killers, Bartender's Bible*, and *Rich Bain*. Wednesday, *Fu Manchu*.

Croce's Jazz Bar, 802 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-4355. All music is jazz unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the David Patrone*

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Rice Redux

When I last ate at Rice, a year ago, the menu was the product of a centralized corporate food operation contracted by the W Hotels. Envision Carrows doing fusion cuisine and you'll have it. The W chain finally realized the error of its ways. It canned the food corporation and decided that each hotel should have its own distinctive dining room reflecting local cuisine.

For the San Diego branch, they stole chef Matthew Herter from Nectar and gave him free rein to start anew. After four months of trial and error and retraining staff, Herter officially rolled out his new menu. It offers less Pacific Rim fusion than the old corporate menus and more global flavors, including those of Morocco and Tunisia, China and Italy, as well as Southeast Asia. To my taste, the menu is in an early stage of evolution, with lots of hits but some sour notes. I'm confident, though, that when Herter and his kitchen achieve full harmony, Rice will be a four-star restaurant.

One thing that hasn't changed is the W hotel ambiance. It embodies an oxymoron: an attempt to be hip. The dining room has hard, curvy modern decor, with shiny tile floors partly covered by carpet. Music blares from speakers embedded in the ceiling over every banquette and booth so that conversations must be conducted in roars — a ploy to make even a quiet weeknight sound like a TGIF party. The chic singles who pair off on Thursday nights at Japengo pour into Rice on Fridays and Saturdays. Weeknights, conventioners show up in "casual Friday" garb. One group of eight trooped in toting transparent bags that contained miniature steam irons. I wondered what sort of convention they'd attended (dry cleaners? travel agents?). Along with the ironic octet, other groups were speaking of Microsoft and lawsuits, albeit not at the same table. Rice's decor may have a soignée air, but on that hot night, the geeks wore their tribal garb of tees and jeans, while the males of the law group had donned the polos and board shorts of surf pub habitués.

The quirky menu is aimed at this demographic of 25- to 40-year-olds with disposable income. The longest of the four menu sections is called "Share." It currently offers 13 small dishes, which can serve as appetizers, can pair up to make a light dinner, or can multiply to make a tapas-style grazing meal for a group. Then comes "Go," with four salads, and "Solo," with eight full-plate entrées.



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The dessert menu is called "Submit," as in "resistance is futile."

The "Share" group sports dishes with bold, often exotic flavors. My friends and I fell in love with a trio of baby New Zealand lamb rib chops. Cooked very rare, the sweet meat met its match with a pungent crust of capers and salty Moroccan preserved lemons. Sweet-and-sour is also the charm of mirin-glazed short ribs. The dainty oven-braised ribs are tossed on a grill with a glaze of tangy barbecue sauce that carries a pleasing jolt of Tellicherry black pepper, a spice with fruity notes. The sweetness comes from honey infused with Chinese five-spice powder. Strings of raw julienned carrots alongside pick up and amplify the star anise in the spice blend.

Crab cakes are a side trip into gentle American flavors. Long strands of jumbo lump crabmeat are united by just enough egg to bind them and dotted with bell pepper, but there isn't a touch of the usual flour slurry, bread crumbs, or cracker-meal filler. The surface is crisp with a thin layer of *panko*, airy Japanese bread crumbs. "My mom is

a great cook," my friend Lynne revealed, as she examined the crab's crust. "A few months ago she finally discovered *panko*, and now everything she makes is covered with it. Last time I visited, she had coated two walls with it."

Tempura quail is a new one on me. Four bamboo skewers arrive, each spearing a *panko*-coated halved bird the size of a giant prawn, boned of all but its tiny shinbone. The meat is cooked tender and slightly rosy, and the batter is light enough to take off and fly. The birds are served over a thin mango coulis that's too pallid to contribute much contrast. Luckily, we'd also ordered "garlic frites," perfect french fries scattered with minced garlic and lightly robed in chive oil. They come with something called "sexy sauce," actually a three-slot tray holding honey-mustard sauce, ancho ketchup, and a chived sour cream-mayonnaise mixture. We enjoyed them all and by chance discovered that honey mustard was just what the quail needed.

One "Share" dish that scored two thumbs down featured grilled prawns in another Moroc-

REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

Rice

★★★ (Very Good)

W hotel, 421 West B Street (corner of State Street), Downtown, 619-398-3082.

HOURS: Open seven days, three meals, 6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

PRICES: Small plates and salads, \$8 to \$14. Entrées, \$18 to \$34. Desserts, \$8. Lunch entrées, \$9 to \$18.

CUISINE & BEVERAGES: New menu features global flavors and emphasizes small plates for sharing. About 60 wines, mainly Californian, only 7 under \$40; plenty by the glass (average \$11). Full bar.

PICK HITS: Preserved lemon-crust lamb chop appetizer, short rib appetizer, arugula and cantaloupe salad, cinnamon seared duck breast.

NEED TO KNOW: Dinner reservations advised. Hectic on weekends with singles crowd. Valet parking is \$8 with validation (\$20 if you lollygag past the three-hour limit). Noisy even on "quiet" weeknights.

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can-influenced treatment, a sour and oily *char-mouile* sauce. In North Africa, *chermoula* (as it's usually spelled) often garnishes full-flavored Mediterranean finfish. We all agreed that it overwhelmed the watery prawns. Another seafood dish I can't recommend at this time is vanilla seared scallops, not because of the flavor combination (everybody's doing it lately, and I'm not sure it works), but because scallops are chancy right now. The chef admits that he and other chefs he knows have had problems over the last several months obtaining scallops of consistent quality. The night I tried them, the dry-packed specimens from Georges Bank (Massachusetts) had the same off-putting medicinal

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undertones as the ones that I wouldn't eat at Osetra two weeks earlier.

We moved on to a couple of salads. Arugula and cantaloupe, united in wedlock by a lime vinaigrette, proved an inspired pairing. Playing bridesmaid were pieces of seeded *lavash* (Armenian flatbread) spread with refined Laura Chenel goat cheese. But a salad of romaine hearts with kalamata-olive-and-anchovy dressing disappointed our foursome of anchovy addicts — we craved more than a few specks.

Rice's entrées take life more seriously, with subtle flavors in complex combinations. I'm enchanted by the cinnamon and Szechuan pepper seared duck breast. The chef rubs the bird with spices, then refrigerates it

for two days to let the seasonings penetrate through the meat. (The peppers are actually a cracked-pepper medley. Authentic Szechuan pepper is banned from the U.S. because it can carry a type of citrus canker.) "Duck in this town is rare, and I like cooking it rare," said Herter, visiting the tables toward the end of the dinner hour. It was one of the best duck breasts I've tasted in a long while. Its seasonings are oddly reminiscent of Peking duck, its skin crisp and juicy with just a millimeter's thickness of unmelted fat. The accompanying rhubarb compote is infused with star anise and has the texture of rough applesauce. It justifies rhubarb's existence on the planet. Also on the plate was dreadful couscous, dry as sawdust and not helped a bit by lengths of raw scallions.

Herter's favorite entrée is his tea-smoked veal chop, which arrives hash-marked from the grill and blush pink inside. It exudes the aroma of Lapsang

Souchong, Chinese black tea. The taste is salty and spicy from rubs of two different Asian hot sauces. I'm not sure that bland veal is the right vehicle for such assertive seasonings, but the concept is original. It comes with a delicious side dish: "tomato grits" turns the old Southern staple on its ear with the acidity of the chopped, roasted tomatoes. The grits tasted more like good North African couscous than the restaurant's couscous did.

The time arrived to "submit" to dessert. The simplest, called Sleepy Palate, was our favorite. It's a bowlful of excellent espresso topped with a large scoop of house-made vanilla bean gelato, accompanied by chocolate-filled *tuile* cookies. Feeling Fresh is a mango-passion fruit *panna cotta* "on a mirror of strawberry-lavender soup" (per the menu). The thin strawberry puree was light and refreshing, but the *panna cotta* was heavy going. At its best, this

is a mousse-like cream pudding so fragile that you don't eat it, you inhale it. This one took chewing. Last and least was There Smore to Life, a gooey update of the kiddie dessert, involving a sticky handmade marshmallow and a lot of semisweet chocolate syrup but no graham crackers. One bite, and I realized that my inner child is dead.

ABOUT THE CHEF

Executive chef Matthew Herter learned his craft from a master chef in his native Michigan. When his girlfriend moved to San Diego, he followed her and found work at La Valencia. He soon fell in love with this area's culinary ferment and lack of snow. He went on to serve as opening chef at New Leaf in the Gaslamp Hilton, and then at Nectar in the Prava Hotel.

"Opening Nectar was a wonderful experience," Herter says. "Rice actually approached me last December, but we'd just

opened Nectar, and I wasn't interested in leaving — I wanted to see the project through and up and running. Then they approached me again in March.... Initially, I wasn't interested because I had heard about the creative challenges, with their chef being unable to implement his own menu. They explained to me that C5 [the corporate food-service group] was no longer there, and Witself was going to run the operation. At that point, I became very interested because they talked about how they wanted to push the creative boundaries and put Rice at the forefront.

"The new menu is a culmination of my playing with a lot of different flavor profiles — not trying to cook in a true fusion style but to take lots of clean, independent flavors from many regions and layer them together. For the first time ever, I've been given carte blanche.... For a chef, it's phenomenal to

have this degree of creative freedom. It's every chef's dream to have that in a venue such as Rice.

"We use only wild fish, and our chicken is free-range. We're [the W] in the midst of building out a kitchen for banquets and fresh pastry. Right now everything [for the hotel] is still coming out of the kitchen at Rice. The new kitchen will be finished around December and will give us a lot more space and the ability to do more substantial things. I hired on a very talented pastry chef named Mauricio Gonzales.... We make all our pastries and ice creams in-house. In fact, we do everything we can in-house, bucking the trend of the hotel dining experience, where everything is purchased or brought in. We even make our own Chinese five-spice powder blend and grind it a little more coarsely so that you can really taste each flavor." ■



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The girl's choking. She leans over. Tries to cough. Grabs water. Can't breathe. Gary, Tony, Hank, me, we all stand up. "You okay?"

She can't answer.

"What do you think? Slap on the back? Anybody know the Heimlich maneuver?"

This is serious.

"You have to make a fist, go in against the solar plexus, just under the rib cage..."

"I'm going to try a slap on the back."

That's me.

"Hold it. Hold it. She's drinking."

We all have an arm or a shoulder by now. She coughs, then — thank goodness — starts breathing, little breaths at first, then larger, jerky lungfuls.

"Thanks," she stutters, finally.

"Thanks for nothing," I say. "We just stood around like a bunch of old..."

"Men," says this woman passing by with her empty plate.

"A bit of turkey," says the girl, Bella. "Went down the wrong tube. I was thinking of Heimlich-ing myself."

This is all happening in the seating area of the deli at Jimbo's, the health-food place in the highlands behind Del Mar. Hank's idea. Yes, he's back on his granola track again.

He led me past a blur of shelves: organic this, free-range that. Place reminded me of the People's Co-Op in OB with its high ceilings and ducts and pipes exposed, as in a giant subma-

rine. But Jimbo's has color: yellow, purple, white, butter.

The deli bulged with cheeses, hams, burritos, wraps, a huge salad bar, and a juice counter where they grind carrots and wheatgrass and even organic coffee for you to slurp. Most folks crowded around the "hot case" counter with a few dozen containers of green, red, and brown rice, tabouleh-type preparations sitting in bowls below.

"Garden of Eatin', dude!"

Hank said. "I'm having a salad."

He headed for the counter. Me, I made for the hot case, swiped a little menu, "Daily Specials," ripped out a "Take-A-Number" tab (C-13) and stood, the lone Earthling amongst all these Del Martians. Genteel-looking folk. Well off. The giveaway was more in the shoes than the clothes. East Coast shabby. Half of them were muttering into cell phones.

"C-13? C-13? C-14?" calls a gal.

"Hey. C-13." That was me. I frantically looked over the "daily specials" list, all \$5.95. "Monday, veggie burger, served with organic oven fries and a 4-oz. Chef's Choice side salad." Tuesday was chicken masala, saffron rice and steamed vegetables. Wednesday was Seitan stew (a high-protein low-fat meat substitute, turns out, made from wheat gluten), and today, Thursday, it was "Shelton's jerk turkey in fig sauce, served with organic mashed potatoes, gravy, and steamed vegetables." Hmm. Sounded as if it could actually have some oomph to it.

Or maybe sandwiches. Choices galore. Like the "Lone Star, slices of fresh-baked tofu enhanced with southwest seasonings, avocado, fake bacon bits, organic lettuce, organic tomato, pickles, sprouts, and our own chipotle mayo on six-grain bread, \$5.25." They had "build your own" sandwiches for \$4.95 and veggie burgers for \$4.50; a "Range Rover," a free-range turkey sandwich, was \$5.75.

"C-21..."

"Hey. Okay. Uh, C-13 here. Ready."

I was facing two organic lotus-eaters behind the hot counter. Patricia and Jason.

"Guess I'll have the jerky turkey special."

Jason filled a recycled paper plate with half a dozen thick slices of roast turkey, a big scoop of mashed potatoes with skins, a couple ladlings of steamed veggies, like broccoli and zucchini, and a douse of gravy. I got myself a small coffee (actually quite large and 95 cents) and joined Hank.

"Well, hey hey! Mr. Nuts and Twigs!"

"Giant bean sprouts, dude! Jicama, beets, red onion, carrot, tofu, red peppers, and balsamic dressing. By weight, \$5.99 a pound. Paid \$7.03. I'm happy."

Pretty soon we're talking to these attorneys eating at the next table. One, Tony, got his burrito and shoved it in a microwave they have right here in the eating area. "You can get any of the food, even the frozen stuff, and microwave it," he says. His fellow attorney Gary had a plate of tabbouleh, what looked like a

stick of cheese, and a bottle of Evolution organic carrot juice. "Whole lot was about \$4.50," he said. "It gives you everything you need. And without all those fats and sugars, I'm not going to fall asleep halfway through my afternoon."

So that's when we saw Bella wandering round, looking strange, coughing. Must say, we weren't exactly paramedics. But she doesn't hold it against us.

She turns out to be a fashion consultant. Had the same thing I'd got. Turkey special. Now she munches her turkey, but carefully. I peck at mine too. It's good, but when you get the sweet burst of a little half-fig, it turns great. And there's plenty. The mashed potatoes are good and rough. Veggies are, well, steamed, but fresh.

Turns out there's a real live Jimbo. I see him at a back counter, a fit, unpretentious-looking guy wearing shorts. Runs marathons. Eats what he preaches. Started out working with the OB Co-op, then opened on his own in North Park. Aha. Now I remember. My old health-freak friend Howard used to shop there. That place's closed, but Jimbo has expanded into three organic palaces here, Carlsbad, and Escondido. Looks like the organic Force is with him.

'Course I don't mention a customer nearly choked on his organic meat. No way his fault. But first thing Hank and I do afterward is find a hot spot and look up "Heimlich" on his laptop. ■

The Place: Jimbo's...Naturally! 12853 El Camino Real, Carmel Valley (858-793-7755); also in Escondido and Carlsbad

Type of Food: Health

Prices: Daily specials (all \$5.95) include veggie burger, with organic oven fries, side salad; chicken masala, with saffron rice, steamed vegetables; seitan (meat substitute) stew; Shelton's jerk turkey in fig sauce with organic mashed potatoes, gravy, steamed vegetables; Lone Star sandwich with baked tofu, avocado, fake bacon, organic lettuce, tomato, chipotle mayo, \$5.25; "build your own" sandwiches, \$4.95; veggie burgers, \$4.50

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"In those days, there was no Gaslamp Quarter — it was all X-rated movie theaters and homeless guys."

Some twenty-odd years ago, Robin Stark was a beer drinker. Then she met Mike Farres. Farres was years from opening the Wine Bank on Fifth Avenue, but he was already a wine apostle to San Diego, preaching the virtues of California juice from his pulpit at Del Cerro Liquors. Recalls Stark, "Paul Draper from Ridge would make these wines that were a combination of '67 Zinfandel and a '70 Cabernet — bizarre stuff like that — and Mike had all that stuff. He was one of the first guys to believe in California."

She met Farres at "a conference for doctors and their wives. I was putting on a session on 'Computers for Computer Widows' — this was 1982, when hardly anyone even used computers. But I had about ten people in my session, and afterwards, there was a wine tasting put on by Mike Farres. I told him how much I liked beer, and to this day he still calls me 'Suds.' But he started taking me to these wine tastings, and right away, I was drinking great California Cabs and great Bordeaux."

And besides the tastings, there were the joys of Farres's own collection. "We would go out to Elario's, or Stefano's back when it was on University, and then we'd go back to this building he owned, the Brunswick Drug building. In those days, there was no Gaslamp Quarter — it was all just X-rated movie theaters and homeless guys

everywhere. We would step over the homeless guys and go into the building — it was really scary, this big, abandoned building. He'd take me down to these vaults — that's where he kept his wine, because they stayed cool. That's why they had manufactured drugs there, because they could keep the drugs under temperature control without air conditioning. I used to think it was so funny...inside of that vacant building there was '61 Bordeaux."

Stark went on to found a software company, but she kept on learning from Farres, eventually attending tastings in the belly of the Wine Bank. When she sold her company in 2001, she thought of trying to get similar tastings going at the WineSellar and spent a few months working there. The tastings didn't happen, however, and by the end of the Christmas rush, Stark was feeling burnt. "The *Wine Spectator* top 100 list came out, and that could make Jimmy Stewart cynical." Again and again, she found herself on the phone, intoning, "No, we don't have the '99 Guigal Chateauneuf-du-Pape" — that year's number-one wine. "I would say, 'Are you aware that anyone who knows anything about wine knows that the '00 is much better and that the '99 won only because there were no other wines in that quantity and at that price range they could give it to?'" It didn't help. Then-wine buyer David Derby advised her,

"See if you can sell them on the Shafer Merlot. It's number seven, it's a great wine, and we have lots of it." Not one person bit.

Before she burned out, however, Stark helped the store overhaul its method for tracking wine sales and inventory. Depending on where it's from and how it's labeled, she says, "Wines are sorted in different ways, so it's actually a little bit of a computer problem. By the end, I knew everything about how to computerize wine." When she heard about a guy in Beverly Hills who had started a cellar cataloging business, she thought, "I need to meet this man." After a couple of misfires, she did meet him; soon after, she joined his company, Carte du Vin.

People call Carte du Vin when they look at their cellars and realize they don't know exactly what's in there or how much of it there is. For Stark, sorting out the cellars of these super-oenophiles has been a learning experience. "It's the craziest collector mentality outside of Imelda Marcos and her shoes." She reckons that it starts out with case lots of highly allocated wines, the sort that, once you're on the list, you buy automatically year in, year out. After that, "It's really the hype. Robert Parker says that 2000 Bordeaux is the greatest vintage of the last 40 years. There are a lot of first- and second-growths out there, and these people always buy by the case. It's that blinders thing — they don't realize that next year will probably be the vintage of the century for California Cabernet, and the next year, for Piedmont. They don't get the mentality of 'I'm never going to drink 12 of these.'"

And it's not just Parker. "I've never met a col-



What's in the cellar?

lector who says, 'Yes, I like *Wine Spectator*, and I buy my wines based on their ratings.' But it's just the damndest thing to see how their buying follows what *Wine Spectator* was getting all excited about. The average collector with a big old cellar bought so many cases of '97 Brunello. I would love to know how much Brunello they'd ever bought before and if, once they start opening those things, they're going to be savoring them and loving them and building up the palate for them. I wouldn't be surprised if, about eight years from now, a bunch of Brunello just gets dumped on the market."

"After the first couple of cellars we cataloged, we just got so tired of saying, 'What is this guy thinking?' or 'This guy is out of control' or 'Is there any chance this guy knows what he has?' So we just started saying, 'Number 57.' It just captures the whole 'Go figure' mentality."

One result of the service is a wine database that tells people what they have, how much they have of it, what Parker scored it, and when Parker says it will be ready to drink. "They freak out. A lot of people don't believe that '82 Bordeaux is

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going to get any better. Most of them have hit their peak, and most people have drunk hardly any of it. They fell in love with Burgundies, or they took a detour through Barolos or whatever. I have yet to catalog a cellar and not have the owner say, 'Okay, we've got to get rid of this and this and this. I didn't know I had this stuff, but now that I know it, I know I'm not going to drink it.' "

Part of the problem: tastes change, but people don't plan for it. "I was talking to a friend who knows I'm in the cataloging business. I said, 'It's amazing how people six years ago, they thought all they wanted was California cult wines. Within five years, they don't ever want to drink another sip of Screaming Eagle, or Araujo, or Bryant Family.' He said, 'Yep. They come in here from Rancho Santa Fe. They're just starting out, and they say, "Can you get me Screaming Eagle?" I always want to say, "Hey, let me save you a couple of thousand bucks, and we'll just go straight to Burgundy, okay? You will thank me."' After they've built up their palates, it's almost always Burgundy that they go to if they're really rich." ■

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

The Reader's Guide to Restaurants are recommended listings written by our reviewers (Ed Bedford, Ambrose Martin, Shari McCullough, Max Nash, Eleanor Widmer, Naomi

*Wise). Each issue contains only a fraction of nearly 500 reviews. A complete searchable list is available online at SanDiegoReader.com. Price estimates are based on the latest information available for a mid-range entrée. **Inexpensive:** below \$10; **moderate:** \$10 to \$19; **expensive:** \$20 to \$24; **very expensive:** more than \$25. Please call restaurants in advance for reservations.*

NORTH COASTAL

En Familia Amici 564 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-9050. You'll feel like a guest at an intimate party eating a leisurely dinner in this small, noisy, pretty dining room. Chef Monica Szepeszy and her brother Michael offer personalized, home-style renditions of South American cuisines, including house-made breads and beverages. Be sure to try the house's *chicha morada*, a tangy soft drink made from Peruvian purple corn. The fare includes numerous types of empanadas, tapas-like small plates, and full-size entrées — most from the family homeland, Peru. Desserts vary nightly and can include a cloud-like *tres leches* cake. Vegetarian and allergy-restricted diets accommodated. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Reservations necessary. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/04)*

La Especial Norte 604 North Coast Highway 101 (at Leucadia Blvd.), Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical decor (take a look at the blue ceramic "pond" in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen regional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — for instance, the authentic Mexico City-style chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the savory eggplant soup includes airy little "croutons" of puffed *relleno* batter. The fresh, interesting seafood entrées outshine the relatively ordinary renditions of the standard stuffed-tor-

tilla variations. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (5/02)*

Neimans 300 Carlsbad Village Drive (at Carlsbad Boulevard), Carlsbad, 760-729-4131. Set in a Victorian gingerbread mansion overlooking Highway 101, this hotel-restaurant's best deal is the Sunday all-you-can-eat-and-drink champagne brunch, featuring made-to-order omelets, seafood creations, mimosas, etc., moderately priced for a day's worth of protein, calories, and buzz. No brunch reservations, so expect a wait. (Holiday brunch prices are much higher, but then they do take reservations.) After dark, the site is basically a nightclub, with a younger crowd scarfing up traditional American fare, priced high, until midnight or later. Open daily, lunch and dinner. — *E.W.*

Oceanside Cafe 1938 South Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-722-7337. This little place is as "mom and pop" as they get. "Hi honey. You going to have the usual?" That's Shannon. They do lunch, with good burgers, but breakfast's what a lot of folks come for. "Dieter's Downfall," a 3-egg omelet stuffed with ham, bacon, sausage, tomato, Jack, and Cheddar, is wicked. Two other things to try: the "Sausage of the Week" is made next door at the Red and White Market (anything from bockwurst to French apple-chicken sausage). And the dieter's real downfall comes with Marsha's carrot cake or her double chocolate cake — rich, moist, and fresh out of her oven every morning. Breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/03)*

Potato Shack Cafe 120 West I Street (off South Coast Highway 101), Encinitas, 760-436-1282. Check out the cute potato-toon mural on the side of the building — a sign for spud-lovers to load up on portions sized for lumberjacks from The Lumberyard across the street. American fries (served "All you can eat!"), French fries, potato patties, and baked potatoes with various toppings are the heart of the menu, along with eggs, omelets, biscuits with sausage gravy, and beer-battered onion rings made from sweet reds. If size

counts, consider the daunting inch-thick "manhole" pancake that's bigger than the plate. Lunch runs to "deli" sandwiches (with potatoes), or a hearty bowl of chili con carne. Arrive early weekends. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (10/01)*

Ruby's Diner 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-RUBY (7829). One thing about Ruby's: You can build an appetite just getting there. It's at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There's a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby's is part of a themed "forties diner" chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it's still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca-Cola signs, "Dewey-Warren" presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too, from omelets to the "Super Burger" with Swiss cheese and avocado on a grilled Parmesan sourdough bun. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

Savory 267 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-634-5556. Chef-owner Pascal Vignau was executive chef of the Four Seasons Aviara when he decided he wanted his own little place. His casual strip-mall restaurant has been perpetually packed for dinner since opening day. Here he serves a monthly changing menu of Southern French and Mediterranean cooking spotlighting seasonal local produce. Highlights include a clever, ethereal Dungeness crab *panna cotta*, a lush *bourride* seafood stew, and an ultra-rich macaroni-and-ham casserole. The adventurous mainly-Cal wine list is remarkably affordable, with many choices available by half-bottles and glasses (and modest corkage if you BYO). Dinner reservations urged; no groups larger than ten accommodated. Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — *N.W. (12/03)*

Tom Giblin's Irish Pub 640 Grand Avenue (at Roosevelt Street), Carlsbad Village, 760-729-7234. Occupying the whole of a handsome, sprawling, block-long Elizabethan-style building, this friendly "small-townish" saloon offers some above-average pub-grub, espe-

cially the perfect, moist corned beef with firm-tender cabbage, the huge, lively salads, and the house-baked brown bread. Boxty (Irish "peasant" potato pancakes, rarely found in California) are done up rather doughy rather than crisp to serve as "wraps" for corned beef and other dishes. Live music on holiday evenings and during happy hours. A large, attractive heated patio next to the parking lot offers some afternoon serenity. Open daily, lunch until late, plus Sunday breakfast/brunch. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (3/02)*

Trattoria Positano (Cardiff-by-the-Sea) 2171 San Elijo Avenue (at Chesterfield), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-632-0111. If you're tired of Italian restaurants, you'll be revitalized by this one. Original recipes, wonderful fresh fish, nightly specials, excellent lamb and pastas. Very warm atmosphere. A treasure. Reservations accepted only for parties of six or more; expect a wait at prime dinner hours, especially on weekends. Lunch and dinner six days, Sundays dinner only. Upper moderate. — *E.W. (6/98)*

NORTH INLAND

Galeon (Escondido) 503 West Mission (at Centre City), Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffee-shop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter and a salad bar. Shrimp and *langostino* ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are well treated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory *albondigas* soup (lime it up, too). Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — *N.W. (6/01)*

Island Boy Grille 10066 Pacific Heights Boulevard (south of Mira Mesa Boulevard, at Carroll Canyon Road), Sorrento Mesa, 858-452-7708. It's the last thing you'd expect up here in Corporate Lunchland, but Pua Macario's

Hawaiian food sanctuary is the real thing. Pua ("Flower") serves genuine items like purple *taro poi*, seven-hour cooked *lau-lau* (beef, pork, and fish slow-steamed in taro and banana leaves), rice delivered by the ice-cream scoop, potato salad delivered hot with shrimp and crab in it, and mahi mahi, lots of lovely flame-seared mahi mahi. Delivered in a standard polystyrene box, eat in or out. And heavy! The Wasa Plate will include, say, two big pieces of mahi mahi, a pile of shredded kalua pig and cabbage, or kahuna shrimp, or teriyaki chicken, plus two scoops of rice, salad and any side dish. If you're a really big kahuna, the Kanaka Plate will deliver three main entrées and three scoops of rice. Sparse decoration: eggshell blue walls with photos of real hula-dancing, and a longboard by Hawaiian Julian Cruz (it's yours for \$450). Warning: only open 11 a.m. to around 2:30 p.m. Always crowded. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/02)*

Pho Hoa Hiep 9910 Mira Mesa Boulevard, #A, 858-578-1468 (also at 6947 Linda Vista Road, 858-268-8406). This *pho* (soup) place of the brothers Hoa and Hiep is a clean, busy eatery near hi-tech offices. It's popular at lunch and dinner, partly because of frequent two-for-one deals. Try the #1, *Dac Biet Xe Lua*, an "extra large bowl" of soup filled with rare steak slices and well-done brisket, flank, tendon, and tripe along with mint and bean sprouts. A popular breakfast *pho* is "French bread with beef juicy cube soup." They also have rice dishes. And try the traditional fruit drinks, maybe the *Xam Bo Luong*, a combination of loganberry, black dates, seaweed, and lotus seeds in syrup. Lunch, dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/03)*

Rancho Valencia 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-759-6216. Nestled in the lush garden setting of the Rancho Valencia Resort is one of San Diego's dining gems. They advertise the cuisine as California-French. Whatever. Every bite from appetizer to dessert is prepared and presented to delight Californians, French people — actually, any person on the planet with taste buds. Their crab cake topped with

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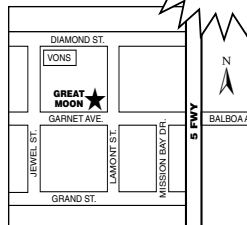
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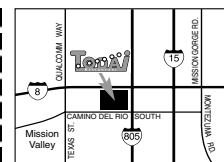
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Sand Crab Cafe 222 Micro Place (at Oppen, off Barham), Escondido, 760-480-2722. Sandy Crabbe (honest, that's his name) owns this fun, funky dive in the wilds of industrial Escondido near the San Marcos border. A visit offers the primordial, preschoolish joy of whacking crabs to pieces with mallets and eating them with your hands. (Bibs are optional.) Everybody gets into the party spirit. There's a huge à la carte list of appetizers, soups, snacks, and main courses, often at bargain prices. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked to a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Most of the shellfish were flash-frozen on shipboard, but they're still tasty. The melted non-butter "spread" accompanying them appeals to the area's many health-conscious residents. (Or you can BY-OButter and they'll melt it for you.) Fine tangy housemade key lime pie is a perfect finale. Full bar; not much wine, but good margaritas. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

Tong Szechuan 609 North Broadway #E-F, Stater Brother's Shopping Center, Escondido, 760-480-9438. The "New Style Favorites" of North County Chinese restaurants feature fresh fruits. Tong's has several variants, mainly cornstarch-battered fried proteins in honey-based sweet-and-sour sauce, lightened with loads of seasonal fruit chunks — pineapple, papaya, pear, etc.

They're tasty dishes. For the rest, the Szechuan specialties (hot-and-sour soup, *kung pao*, *ma la*, etc.) are better than the old "Chinese-American" standards on the menu. Lunches are big, bargain-priced, and popular. In this quiet, pretty room, you may overhear northern or western Chinese dialects at nearby tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive (lunch) to low-moderate. — N.W. (5/01)

Vincent's Sirino's 113 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-745-3835. French-born chef-owner Vincent Grumel serves Gallic classics in an intimate, small-town bistro setting. This is a cuisine of rich dark sauces robbing fine ingredients, such as a huge, flavorful veal chop (no factory calf, that). Mushrooms and vegetables (from local farmers or Grumel's own garden) are the season's best and sensitively treated. Desserts are worth every calorie — save room for the spectacular Bavarian. Full bar, fine wine list. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Saturday. (Closed annually from third week of June to third week of July.) Expensive. — N.W. (6/01)

GOLD COAST

Cafe Zinc 132 South Cedros (at Loma Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzus under the table (dogs are welcome). Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculpture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal-size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days, breakfast through late lunch. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

J. Taylor's Restaurant L'Auberge Resort and Spa, 1540 Camino Del Mar (at 15th Street), Del Mar, 858-793-6406. On lush, lovely grounds, in an airy, country-inn dining room, Executive Chef Tom Atkins offers Northern California-style "comfort" cuisine, with simple, fresh flavors and prime seasonal ingredients (you'll think you're in the Napa Valley). Execution is expert. Appetizers and desserts are especially appealing, as is a multicourse tasting menu (with matched wines optional) that lets the chefs stretch out and show off a little. In fair weather, you can dine on a patio overlooking the herb garden that's the source of so many flavors on your plate. A rather steep wine list emphasizes California vineyards. Free valet parking at restaurant door. Three meals daily. Expensive. — N.W. (1/03)

Samurai Japanese Restaurant 979 Lomas Santa Fe Drive, Lomas Santa Fe Plaza, Solana Beach, 858-481-0032. This restaurant boasts "the largest California sushi bar" as well as a menu of over 100 items. The food is artistically prepared and presented, the sushi uniformly fine. You can easily make a meal from the sushi and appetizers. Seating is available at the sushi bar or the central dining area, which provides capacious booths. A tatami room (with floor-seating on tatami mats, Japanese style) offers special prix fixe feasts (\$60 per person and up), by reservation only. Open daily. Moderate to extremely expensive. — E.W.

LA JOLLA

Aesop's Tables Greek Cafe 8650 Genesee Avenue #106, Costa Verde Shopping Center, 858-455-1535. Gyros are the thing here, since 1975. The meat's prepared outside to Aesop's recipe of lamb, beef, and spices. But would the eponymous Greek fabulist recognize *pizzas* with lamb sausage and feta on top? Or roast leg of lamb laid out in slices, American-style? A true-blue (and white) Greek choice is the *meze* appetizer plate to share, with samplings of grilled eggplant

("melitzanasalata"), tabbouleh, marinated mushrooms, artichokes, broad beans, and stuffed grape leaves. Just add pita bread and it'll almost make a dinner for two. The vegetarian combo entrée is good also, with nice thick *tzatziki* (yogurt, cucumber, dill, and sour cream) and tahini (sesame seed) sauces. Lamb dishes like moussaka (layers of ground lamb, beef, eggplant) and *arni souvlaki* (lamb on a skewer) are helped by a wide choice of Greek wines, including Xinomavro Merlot. But to really get the spirit, order *saganaki*, sautéed Kasserli cheese flamed at your table with Ouzo. Go ahead, try an "Opah!" or two. Lunch and dinner Monday to Saturday; Sunday, dinners only. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (6/04)

Cuvee 5656 La Jolla Boulevard (at Bird Rock Avenue), La Jolla, 858-551-4090. Also at 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Carmel Valley, 858-259-5878. Seasonal if rather underseasoned California-Mediterranean cuisine, designed to accompany an interesting and very affordable wine list. All bottles on the regular list are under \$25 and available by the glass; you can even get a sip before choosing. A reserve list includes fancier choices, still at minimal markups. Low corkage for BYO, too. Menu suggests apt wine pairings for each dish. Dining rooms are pleasant but quite noisy. Reservations are urged; a few tables on heated garden patio are available to drop-ins. Small parking lot in alley behind La Jolla branch. Dinner 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — N.W. (2/02)

La Taverna 927 Silverado Street (at Girard Avenue), La Jolla, 858-454-0100. Reservations are a necessity at this tiny trattoria, especially if you'd prefer the relative quiet of the roofed sidewalk patio to the din of the cute but cramped dining room. Don't look for meatballs and red sauce except at lunch because dinner is Tuscan-style, showcasing pastas with simple, fresh sauces. Highlights include chef-owner Mary Ann Vitale's house-made Sicilian-style fennel sausage, and if the feather-light potato gnocchi are a special, just say yes. Save room for a slice

of house-made layer cake. Service is downright endearing on weekends, when Jimmy Vitale (the owner's husband) charmingly plays maitre d'. Moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

Roppongi 875 Prospect Street (at Fay), La Jolla, 858-551-5252. In terms of atmosphere and food preparation, one of the best restaurants in La Jolla. The Euro-Asian fusion menu offers a vast choice of 20 appetizers, or *tapas*, including several sushi rolls. Don't overlook the Thai coconut soup, Atlantic salmon, and duck confit at dinner, or the *niçoise* salad at lunch. Beautiful interior; lovely heated patio; excellent service. Be sure to reserve, especially for dinner, to avoid a very long wait. Open daily. Moderate (tapas) to expensive. — E.W. (12/99)

Sadaf 613 Pearl Street (at Cuvier), La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry — those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, especially at lunch. The appetizers are free: a basket of *lavash* (unleavened bread), and beside it, butter and a large sliced raw onion. Eating bread with onion makes you hungry, say the Persians. Then try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad, or *albalou polo* (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spicing. Another branch in the Gaslamp turns into a nightclub after dinner, but the food's better at this La Jolla flagship. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (10/00)

Tutto Mare 4365 Executive Drive (at Executive Way), Golden Triangle, 858-597-1188. The modern Italian cuisine here emphasizes pasta and fresh seafood from the mesquite grill or oak-fired oven. Lunch hours roar with chic crowds from the surrounding office buildings, but the kitchen is most on its toes then, too. Pastas are mainly house-made, with fresh-tasting sauces, and substantial seafood salads are available. Entrées (whether seafood or meat) may be overcooked by the fierce wood fires,

and most come with minor variations of the same lemon-butter sauce and a one-size-fits-all veggie medley. Full bar, interesting wine list, good Happy Hour nibbles. Complimentary valet parking. Call for careful directions (very hard to find). Extremely noisy. Lunch and dinner weekdays, dinner weekends. Pastas and salads moderate, entrées expensive. — N.W. (10/02)

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

24-Hour Valley Kitchen Family Restaurant 875 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley, 619-819-1017 or 619-298-8282. Great when everything else is closed. The place feels like a Midwestern chain eatery: all carpets, dark-wood walls, etched glass. Prices are a little up there, but hot French dip is great and burgers are generous. Best news may be that if you feel like breakfast at midnight, no problem. Ask for the pork chops, two eggs, hash browns, and biscuits and gravy. Chops are crumbed and buried in hash browns. Splish on lots of applesauce, and leave room for the biscuits — their bacon-fat gravy will have you licking the plate. Bonus: You can sit here with a book and a coffee all night long if you like. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (1/04)

94th Aero Squadron 8885 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-6771. One of San Diego's hidden jewels: there's classic American fare (honey-glazed pork tenderloin, farmhouse chicken) in the "Officers' mess," but better yet is the free buffet Happy Hour — pig heaven weekdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Selections might include a "stroganoff" of Polish sausage, veggies, cheese potatoes, nachos, etc. (Of course, you have to buy something — say, a pitcher of Bud for two.) Thursdays and Fridays, the outside "Runway" grill features kebabs. The biggest attraction is the place itself. Built to mimic a WWI French farmhouse taken over by a bunch of Yankee flying aces, it has a garden full of antique planes and live ducks — and

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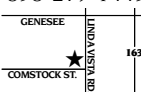
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Andres' Patio Restaurant 1235 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-4114. This is a cozy cultural surprise on hard-to-define Morena Boulevard. The food is flavorful (and not spicy-hot like Mexican and South American dishes). A good introduction to it is *ropa vieja* (“old clothes”): shredded beef sautéed with mushrooms, green pepper, and tomatoes with ever-present rice and black beans. And the Cuban sandwich (roast pork, baked ham, and cheese) shows off the Cuban handling of pork. Other interesting dishes include *alcapuria* (pork and green plantain) and luscious, messy *yuca con mojo* (yuca root with garlic oil). Open for lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (8/01)*

Bale French Sandwich Shop 4879 University Avenue (at 49th Street), City Heights, 619-283-4352. Ann Nguyen started this back in 1980, and her prices haven’t changed — they’re incredibly low. But the taste of her sandwiches is up there in French-Vietnamese heaven. The Vietnamese are special at this: they do French better than the French — with some spicy Asian touches. The BBQ Pork French sandwich delivers the immediate taste of cilantro, garlicky mayonnaise, sweet barbecue sauce, carrots, onions, cucumber, and lashings of sliced pork,

with the occasional heat of a green jalapeño. But above all, it’s that crunch of bread — fresh, feathery, and very French — that makes this hard to beat. Add dessert of home-made banana shrimp cake and Vietnamese coffee and — *voilà!* Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

Emerald Chinese Seafood Restaurant Pacific Gateway Plaza, 3709 Convoy Street (at Aero Drive), 1st floor, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6888. Arguably the best Chinese restaurant in the county, here’s where local Asians (of all nations) go for both casual family dinners and special feasts of Hong Kong specialties. When you dig in, you’ll know why. Menu (trilingual in Chinese, Vietnamese, and English) emphasizes seafood and gourmet delicacies of the South China coast, plus lunchtime dim sum carts daily. The staff is bilingual and crisply helpful, and the specialties are well worth exploring. Reservations accepted for all meals, including weekend dim sum brunches. Few dishes include MSG; diners can request none in made-to-order dishes. Live fish tanks, full bar, serviceable wine list. Mainly moderate, with moderate splurges like live fish and Peking duck easily balanced by inexpensive down-home dishes (unless you insist on shark fin or bird’s nest). Open daily from lunch until midnight or later. — *N.W. (9/02)*

Todai 2828 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-299-8996. You’ll find no dish “to die” for at this So-Cal-based chain restaurant. It calls itself “The Mother of All Seafood Buffets” and has spawned branches in suburban malls all over the country. Our branch looks like a seafood Disneyland — multicolor floors and pastel neon lights in fanciful shapes (moon, stars, fish) adorn three separate buffets. There’s a huge array of seafood, sushi, *teppanyaki*, and assorted Asian nibbles — some pretty good, some pretty awful (e.g., “Dungeon” crab cooked to mush). They do rotate the dishes regularly until a half hour before closing, keeping most items reasonably fresh. Two vast, drab dining rooms (seating 500) feature strong, dingy lighting and utilitarian tables and chairs closely spaced to seat the crowded masses. Japanese beers, California jug wines, generic hot and cold sake available. Reservations for large groups only. Family atmosphere, very noisy. Arrive early to cover the territory. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate, with kiddie and senior discounts. — *N.W. (10/02)*

Via Italia Pizzeria Trattoria 4705-A Clairemont Drive, Clairemont Square, Clairemont, 858-274-9732; also at 565-569 South Pacific Coast Highway 101 (between E and D), Encinitas, 760-479-9757. Don’t look for spaghetti and meatballs or Alfredo here — the menu features wonderful, authentic dishes from all over northern

Italy (not Naples or Brooklyn). The nightly specials and well-priced Thursday night tasting menus are particularly inspired — they’re what Chef Alan Martinelli really feels like cooking. The pizzas (whole pies only) are a must — thin-crusts and dressed with perfect proportions of sauce, cheese, and lovely, simple toppings. The long, helpful Italian wine list includes bottles at every price range. The downside? At the original branch (in the “Food Court” near the Clairemont mall’s theaters), the room is noisy, service can be abrasive, and reservations, while recommended, are not always honored timely. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (6/02)*

THE BEACHES

Hanaoka-2 1203 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-274-9755. This is the suave cousin of the Hanaoka family restaurant in National City. The atmosphere is fifties moderne revival, with a Ginza sleekness. It’s still reasonably priced if you choose carefully (most sushi is 20 percent off during early-bird hours, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.). The Philadelphia roll is delicious with its smoked salmon, seaweed, cream cheese, rice, and sesame seeds. But this place is really aimed at yuppies. People order “cabo-wabo” spicy crab with yellow-

tail, or toro roll (meat from the belly of a tuna), which the chef sears with the sharp blue flame of a blowtorch. Every guest gets a loud traditional welcome from the chefs. And a farewell. Open evenings only. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/04)*

Hawaiian Island Barbecue Pacific Plaza, 1768 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-9830. What do folks really eat in Hawaii? What they serve here: plate lunches. Which means two scoops of rice, one scoop of macaroni salad, and then whatever, like garlic shrimp, mahi mahi or fried shrimp, Hawaiian BBQ chicken, chicken *katsu*, Hawaiian BBQ beef or short ribs, even hamburger steak. But to go all-out Hawaiian, try the chicken *lau lau* (chicken and butterfish wrapped in taro leaves), slow-cooked *kalua* pig (don’t call it pork) with cabbage, or *limu poke* (seaweed and raw tuna). Barbecue? Their BBQ Mix (Hawaiian BBQ beef, chicken, short ribs, with rice or macaroni salad) is a deal. Authentic? Count the Hawaiians around you. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

The Mission Cafe and Coffee House 3795 Mission Boulevard (at San Jose Place), Mission Beach, 858-488-9060. Gourmet and Latino breakfasts served in funky surroundings. Outstanding are cinnamon French toast, blackberry-banana pancakes, and roast beef hash with rosemary potatoes and eggs. Chino-Latino

lunch items. All dishes plus fabulous bread, scones, muffins, available for take-out. Open daily 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

People’s Organic Foods Co-op Deli 4765 Voltaire Street, Ocean Beach, 619-224-1387. This is the land of “organic,” “cruelty-free,” “environmentally safe,” “shade-grown.” Vegan Country. People look either disgustingly healthy, disturbingly pasty, or just plain smug. But the food tastes pretty good. And they sell it by the pound so you can mix and match. Course, you have to learn new words, like tempeh (cultured soy which can be made to taste like anything). And dishes have a sensible momsy East Coast feel — garlic eggplant with beet root and onions, tempeh loaf, sweet squash and rice, millet spinach bake, shepherd’s pie, “mango madness,” tempeh sausage, steamed vegetables, vegan macaroni and cheese. Bottom line: it’s guilt-free. Open seven days, breakfast, lunch, dinner (but “serious” breakfasts Saturday and Sunday only). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/03)*

Society Billiards Cafe 1051 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-272-POOL (7665). Okay, this is a pool joint, but a classy one with sidewalk seating and a decent kitchen. It has the normal appetizers — buffalo wings, nachos, potato skins — but also dishes like chicken taquitos and veggie dip, and good salads like teriyaki chicken with French bread or pita. The French con-

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nection continues: Marc, the chef, is French and throws a mean Greek, Thai, or New York pizza, or 17 other varieties. His mesquite chicken wrap goes great with one of the many ales. And the great thing is, you can come late: the kitchen's open till 1:30 p.m. every night. Lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/03)

The Surfside 4527 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-273-2979. In the evenings, it's a "scene" here — for good reason. You'll find fresh sushi, sashimi, and "California coastal cuisine," i.e., fun and flavorful fusion-y tapas, many of them going for half-price during weeknight Happy Hours. You can actually reserve for the sushi bar (it'll put you at the head of the line), where the chefs are unusually friendly. They shine on simple, pure Japanese sushi, although they make the usual "party rolls," too. Most seafood is of fine quality (except the *toro*, which seems to have problems). For those preferring a tapas-style sit-down meal, there's a breezy, informal dining room with large windows looking out on the street, plus a small private dining room for parties. Four Japanese beers, 10 sakes available. Reservations urged for large groups. Parking is tight; just one handicapped slot in front lot. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (10/02)

Sushi Ota 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality,

perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don't come easily. First, find the place: Driving south from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio's). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors' choices, watching for off-menu extravaganzas, e.g., sea snails cooked over flaming sugar or the irresistible "sushi sundae" (*uni, toro*, mountain potatoes, salmon roe). Don't miss the *ama-ebi*, with crisp shrimp heads atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan-mushi* (custard broth with ginkgo nuts). Alas, when Ota-san's away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar seat for an early dinner Wednesdays through Saturdays, when the master is most likely to be present. Disabled access chancy; long, crowdedd house unless you've reserved. Moderate. — N.W. (11/00)

CENTRAL
SAN DIEGO

Los Reyes 2496 Broadway (at 25th), Encanto, 619-231-0716. If you've ever craved those fabulous Mexican fish soups that can be such energy restorers, these strip-mall Mexican restaurants have a great one. It's *Caldo 7 Mares* (Seven Seas Soup) and it comes as a big bowl of savory red fish soup clunking with giant crab legs, clams, chunks of white fish, shrimp, the pink and purple suckers of octopus, and vegetables. It's #39s also called *Vuelta a la vida*: "Return to life." On a hot day, their Cocktail Campechana (shrimp and octopus in a light, spicy tomato broth) will return you to life, too. Four brothers and one sister from Michoacan run

the place. A very Michoacan dish is *carnitas* — pork shoulders. Or try their gringo lunch deal of a bacon cheese-burger with fries and a can of soda. The prices make this a tightwad's paradise. Three meals daily, with the Broadway flagship branch open until midnight on weekends; all other branches closing early every evening. (Smaller branches at 47th and Market, 25th and Imperial, and 1270 Picador Boulevard.) Cash only. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/03)

Phoenicia 3381 Adams Avenue (at 34th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree (the symbol on the Lebanese flag), an American flag, and the word "Phoenicia" written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafta* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions, and seasonings, but you'll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Breakfast through very early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Saigon 4455 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights, 619-284-4215 or 619-284-4288. You're in a big glass palace here. It's especially good on Sundays, when three- or four-generation Vietnamese families gather for lunch. Gaggles of waiters hover a glance away, but take your time. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the famous, filling soup-meal of Vietnam where beef cooks in the soup. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodle with seafood and assorted vegetables. "33" Vietnamese

beer is on hand to make Saigon lovers sentimental. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

Trieu Chau Restaurant 4653 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-280-4204. This is as near as you'll come to eating breakfast in Phnom Penh or lunch in Vientiane. Cambodians come in the morning to talk politics and play Cambodian chess. At lunch, Laotians replace them. Maps of "Kampuchea" decorate the walls, as well as long-distance telephone ads. The menu includes Chinese, Khmer, and Lao dishes. In the morning, ask for "*djak kvai coffay dok ko*" — fried bread with Cambodian coffee, the standard French-Khmer breakfast. Later in the day, you might try pan-fried noodles with broccoli and beef or shrimp and gravy ("*koi tiow bahat sai kho*"). If in doubt, ask for Kathy, who speaks Chinese, Khmer, Lao — and English. Open daily, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Turf Supper Club 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, "re-established" in 1998), if your meat's done wrong, it's your own fault. Every night's an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that's the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat's a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you're an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you'd miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

EAST COUNTY &
STATE COLLEGE

La Mesa Ocean Grille And Seafood Market 5465 Lake Murray Boulevard (at Maryland Street), La Mesa, 619-463-1548. This spot speaks seafood in several accents — Italian, Mexican, Cajun, and "Continental." One part of its menu is devoted to basic fare, such as seafood sandwiches, tacos, and various simple fish preparations (fried, blackened, "wraps"). Then there are the more elaborately sauced-and-garnished seafood dinner entrées, most with pasta accompaniment. Fisheschwenders will find chicken and veal in classic Italian treatments (scaloppini, *piccata*, etc.), plus nightly specials. Seafood here is very fresh and properly cooked, although there are occasional missteps — too much salt in the blackening, a hollandaise that tastes of lemony mayo. Salads are fresh but iceberg-standard; hot rolls are delicious sourdough, and the halibut ceviche is a treat — cool, refreshing, and slightly tart. Baked Maryland-style crab cakes in a thick red-pepper sauce are gooey-rich and tasty. The ambience, too, is a mixture of styles — from the encyclopedic fish posters of a basic fish house, to the lace curtains and tablecloths of an old-style seafood restaurant, to the slightly hip modernity of charcoal-gray track-lighting and black-background fish-design upholstery. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — A.M. (5/01)

Lucky Star Seafood Restaurant 3893 54th Street (at University Avenue, in Kmart Shopping Mall), College Area, 619-229-8228. The Cantonese and Mandarin menu runs to 225

dishes, not to mention the dim sum lunches from roving carts bearing goodies. The huge room is perfect for large parties (call ahead to reserve) or banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog's legs. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — E.W. (9/99)

Sunny Garden Cuisine Of China 5500 Grossmont Center Drive (next to Target), La Mesa, 619-464-2288. Decent Chinese food, in East County, in a mall? Yes. Fans of fried goodness will of course swoon over tempura shrimp — panko-crust-ed, huge and tender — but they might also start with the smoked chicken: smoky meat swaddled in an orange fried coat, served atop a deeply munchable bed of salty-sour fried mustard greens. The menu is typically broad. Chicken, shrimp, beef and pork are all given the *mu-shu* treatment — mixed with bamboo shoots, bean sprouts, and thin, chewy mushrooms and wrapped tableside (if you like) in papery pancakes. *Yu-hsiang* (with shrimp, beef, or pork) includes vegetables that are flavorful (not afterthoughts) in a refreshingly non-sweet vinegar sauce. Specialties include Peking duck and fried noodle nests filled with either seafood or beef. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/02)

Valley House Restaurant 10767 Woodside Avenue (at Magnolia), Santee, 619-562-7878. This is for Cornbelt folks, plus wannabes who enjoy plain-speaking, plenty-of-it Iowan food. Take the morning special, "Iowa Breakfast": breaded pork tenderloin, two eggs, and hash browns, fries, or grits, plus a choice of biscuits, muffins, or toast — it's delicious. Lunch or dinnertime you can't go wrong ordering the signature

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FAR EAST

Dulzura Cafe 16985 Highway 94 at Dulzura, 619-468-9591. Think *Grapes of Wrath*, Okies, the 1930s. Dulzura Café is the real thing, serving big, hot meals to weary westerners since 1910. The walls are cluttered with license plates, pots, brass cream-separators, corn-shuckers, horse collars, railroad lanterns, ancient egg-beaters, six-foot snake skins, deer antlers, and a seedy stuffed bobcat head. The food's for filling. Big, juicy hamburgers with lanky home-cut fries, thick slices of meat loaf, or if you arrive early, steak and eggs or a hefty Denver omelet. This is frontier food before slim spelled "success." Breakfast and lunch Monday through Thursday, three meals on weekends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

La Posta 32337 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley, 619-478-5600. Is the Wild West dead? Not out here. Swagger in past the rocking chairs on the wooden porch, by the "NRA meets here, every 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m." sign, past bows and arrows, dream catchers, lariats, and brass spittoons, and swing into a chair. Now think vintage American food. Hefty anytime-breakfasts include two eggs, hash browns, biscuits, and coffee or eggs with chicken-fried steak or a bulging veggie omelet. Their sour-dough cheeseburger with fries or potato salad is big, or delve into a bowl of chili. Folks hereabouts talk about that chili in low, reverent voices. For dinner, the rib eye steak or pork chops is good enough to make city folks swoon. Three meals daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/03)

Potrero's Cafe 25125 Highway 94, Potrero, 619-478-2697. Watch for the three great old Live Oak trees. This café sits under them and looks straight out of a 1930s Western movie. Lot of good old boys in ten-gallon hats gather here. The menu's non-PC. It features rib-sticking food from biscuits and gravy to a mountain of hot cakes, or the famous mushroom-and-onions hamburger with baked beans. Open for breakfast and lunch; closed Monday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Adams Avenue Grill 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — A.M. (4/01)

Bread And Cie 350 University Avenue (at 4th Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-683-9322. At least twenty breads emerge daily from this bakery's 10,000-pound French stone hearth oven. Most are dense, crusty, and delicious French or Italian peasant breads, including the outstanding anise-fig and black olive loaves that are served in many top local restaurants. Scones, brownies, muffins, banana bread, and cookies are the sweet side of the house. Focaccia pizza and sandwiches (many with thick-sliced bread and rather thin fillings) are available to take out or eat on the spot — inside the café or on the sidewalk patio. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (6/02)

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RESTAURANTS

Cafe On Park 3831 Park Boulevard (at University), Hillcrest, 619-293-7275. Okay, it's trendy, from the rusty spoon-and-fork sign at the door to the PC industrial interior (concrete walls, exposed plumbing). But don't expect PC food. The plates are huge and overflowing with fodder. Breakfast scrambles are popular with add-ons such as smoked salmon, artichoke hearts, or brie cheese. Health nuts choose the Park Porridge stuffed with apples, raisins, and honey. But the prize may be the dish that Placerville, California, miners ordered when they came down from the mountains with pockets full of gold: the Hangtown Fry — luscious marinated sautéed oysters scrambled in eggs. Lunch has deals too: the roasted eggplant is cheap and good. Three meals weekdays, only breakfast and lunch (and a line at the door) on weekends. — *E.B. (10/01)*

Cafe Pacifica 2414 San Diego Avenue (next to Old Town graveyard), Old Town, 619-291-6666. The fare here is mainly very fresh seafood, either fusioned up and somewhat chancy, or grilled simply and reliably excellent. Among the highlights are a clean-limned clam chowder, some amusing yellowfin-stuffed wontons, crab-stuffed portobello mushrooms, and luscious mustard-crusted Oregon catfish. On the downside, Mexican pink abalone are tiny, over-breaded, and overpriced. Several good grilled meats are available for fish-scorners. Optional valet parking \$4.

Wheelchair lot and ramp behind restaurant (ask valet to direct you). Often very noisy. Serious, rather steep California wine list; full bar. Daily, dinner only. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (10/02)*

Jack and Giulio's Italian Restaurant 2391 San Diego Avenue (at Arista), Old Town, 619-294-2074. After more than four decades in business, this father (Giulio) and son (Jack) operation manages to stay fresh. The antipasto salad with its thin-cut prosciutto and salami will get your juices flowing, or try the mango salad, with fresh mango, raisins, and sweet onions. All the traditional Italian entrées like veal parmigiana and fettuccine Alfredo are there, but go for the house specialties like Spaghetti New Orleans with shrimp, crawfish, and crab meat, or the expensive scampi dishes. Broke? Get a simple Angel Hair Mediterranean or rigatoni with meat sauce to enjoy out on the patio. Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Moderate. — *E.B. (5/04)*

Khyber Pass 523 University Avenue (at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-7579. The room's very modern, but Afghan cuisine is full of history, carrying echoes of both Persian and Indian foods, with even a hint of Greek (Alexander the Great conquered the region). Dinners feature kebabs, tandooris, curries, and some unique regional specialties. Flavors are exotic but oddly comfortable to the cosmopolitan palate. Among the don't-miss items are the outstanding *aushak* (spring onion ravioli) and *mantu* (ground-meat ravioli) — both with lively yogurt sauces — and *zamorrd chalow*, a spicy lamb-and-spinach stew. Save room for the sexy desserts. Can be noisy inside; small side-

walk patio. Private dining room upstairs bookable for parties. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/02)*

Liaison 2202 Fourth Avenue (at Ivy), uptown, 619-234-5540. Step inside the door of Liaison and you feel you've been transported to Alsace-Lorraine. The romantic French restaurant offers à la carte items, but the reasonable prix fixe menu, including a decent bottle of wine, is the best choice. You'll find generous meal portions and above-average cooking. The roast duckling with blueberries shines. Service is exceptional and both the patio and dining room are inviting. Dinner Tuesday through Saturday. Moderate. — *S.M. (5/04)*

Lotus Thai 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Also at 906 Market Street, Gaslamp, 619-595-0115. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegetarian-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *saté*, beef salad) featuring a tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish accompanied by a garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and too many dishes are oddly bland (even when they're spicy). The flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch and dinner daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

Mister Sisters 3805 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-299-4647. You somehow think "Chicago" when you walk into this cool, dark-woody place. The idea is a kind of social get-together locale "where the food tastes great and is not so good for you," according to the twin sisters and the mister who started it. They are trying to recreate small-town West Virginia, where they're from. The big deal is Happy Hour's "Pint & Pound," a pint of draft beer and a pound of wings. Sandwiches have Hillcrest-type names: "Stacked Up Sister," "The Queen of Hillcrest," "The Priss," "The Tomboy." If in doubt, check out the Philly cheese steak. It comes with "Whiz" cheese. Lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

Ono Sushi and Pacific Spice 1236 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-0616. If you are searching for huge portions, fresh tasty food and reasonable prices, don't overlook this colorful Japanese/Pacific Rim café. Excellent specialty rolls, entrées, appetizers. Very crowded weekends; lively young crowd. Dinners nightly; open for lunch Saturday and Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (11/98)*

Pomegranate Russian-Georgian Restaurant 2302 El Cajon Boulevard (northeast corner of Louisiana), University Heights, 619-297-4007. Pomegranate's address is serendipitous, since the food of Deep-South Georgia is the Louisiana cuisine of the Slavic world — alive with fresh herbs, garlic, touches of hot pepper. This rustic-looking restaurant is animated with antic humor (check the multilingual graffiti on the walls) and offers unique, flavor-bomb dishes. Don't miss the world-beating beefy, herb-jungle borscht (beet soup, but it's way more than that), the

lobio bean dip, and Olivier salad. The chef slow-smokes his moist barbecued beef and pork and cold-smokes whole trout, a treat as a group appetizer or summer entrée. On weekends, there's sublimely smoky *shashlik* (a.k.a. shish kebabs). The printed menu is only a hint as to what's really being cooked, and regular patrons get the best off-menu choices. So become a regular. Street parking is dire. Reservations advised for weekend dinners. Brunch weekends featuring blini (Russian crêpes). Dinner nightly, service until 11 p.m. on weekends. Moderate. — *N.W. (1/04)*

Rice Jones 3687 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1887. It's probably no coincidence that Anglo-Asian families seem to come here. Rice Jones's owner Anh Long had two good ideas: one, to provide rice with just about everything (usually sautéed with mushrooms and herbs, so customers can fill up without busting the bank), and two, to bridge the taste gap between Vietnam and California. She offers lemongrass chicken next to California bruschetta (sautéed mushrooms and tomatoes on toast). Or a turkey burger next to a Vietnamese grilled eggplant. Most exotic: "shrimp wrap," a shrimp patty wrapped around a sugarcane stick with rice noodles. It's a cliché, but they treat you like family here, no matter which side of the pond you come from. Lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/03)*

Terra 3900 Vermont Street, Uptown Center, Hillcrest, 619-293-7088. Co-owner Jeff Rossman, formerly in charge of the front of the house, has moved into the kitchen to serve as chef at this comfortable neighborhood spot, serving venturesome, if uneven, tropical-influenced American cooking. You can settle in a spacious southwest-tinged dining room or people-watch from a sheltered outdoor patio (with smoking permitted). Generously sized tapas can serve as appetizers or as a sustaining bite before venturing into Trader Joe's across the street. The dinner menu changes seasonally, featuring barbecue items during the summer, comforting fare in colder weather, and special dinners on all major holidays. Good wine list with several flights available, full bar with tropical cocktails (Pisco Sours, Caipirinhas, et al.). Reservations advised, especially for weekends, holidays and special events (e.g., Sunday "blues and barbecue" during the summer). Open daily for lunch or brunch, snacks, dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/01)*

Whaley House Cafe 2482 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-542-1698. Sit down on the little porch of this ancient lean-to store, say late afternoon when the sun turns the pepper trees luminous

green, and look out for Anna Whaley's ghost. She'll be watering those trees, which she supposedly planted around 1856. Don't freak. Order a Mediterranean burger, delicious with feta cheese and roasted garlic, or a grilled chicken Gruyère, with bacon and caramelized onions. Better still, if they're doing afternoon tea, order smoked salmon and cucumber sandwiches, crumpets, scones with jams, Darjeeling or Gunpowder tea. Open 8 a.m. till 4 p.m. Sunday to Thursday; later on Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

DOWNTOWN

Assaggio Italian Bakery 835 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-6538. Ciao, baby. How's the Vespa? Cool people bop in and out of here like it's their neighborhood café. Maybe it's the free focaccia bread. Or the reasonable Tuscan breakfast (toasted bread, two-egg cheese omelet) with Segafredo Zanetti coffee. Or sandwiches such as the Assaggio (*assaggio* means "the taste") of *ciabatta* bread with turkey breast, Italian sauce, greens, and tomato) or the Parma (prosciutto ham, goat cheese, and arugula on Toscano bread) or, best of all, a *creppelle* (crepe stuffed with Gorgonzola cheese, broccoli and béchamel sauce). The Mediterranean salad (chicken, artichokes, and prosciutto) and Spaghetti Bolognese (with bread) are both filling; a slice of pizza is the fallback when you're broke. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

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a little help (okay, a lot) from Rubio's and its founder Ralph. He helped raise a million dollars to get the school and the restaurant running. Think Starbucks meets Taco Bell (oops, sorry Ralph). The place is like its kid-staff: smart, cheery (they painted all the seals and porpoise murals), with a great fountain-gurgling patio outside. Try the grilled burrito (grilled chicken or steak with guacamole, roasted salsa, sour cream, black beans, Mexican rice, and melted Jack cheese in a warm tortilla) or, as a great filler, the Cabo Maestro Bowl, with marinated grilled chicken or steak in a bowl with black beans, Mexican rice, cheeses, guacamole, and shredded cabbage. And yes, they do make the Rubio fish taco. Daily specials. Open weekdays, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. E.B. — E.B. (5/02)

Candelas 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — Chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in *alta cocina*, a luxurious, inventive combination of traditional Mexican fare and French techniques. In a handsome Spanish-style dining room (romantic but rather noisy) with gracious service, the menu emphasizes seafood, including a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster. Plenty for meat lovers, too, with fine Black Angus cuts inventively garnished. But the menu and ingredients have been somewhat compromised over the years to accommodate the “Dude, where’s my taco?” conventioners. The choices are more Dude-friendly — that is, less venturesome than they might be, and execution can be uneven. In the lounge at 10 p.m. on week-ends, the music cranks up and the scene goes disco (with a cover charge for nondiners; IDs checked). Reservations advised, required on weekends; slightly dressy. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly

until 11 p.m. Interesting but expensive wine list; food expensive or higher. — N.W. (1/04)

Edgewater Grill 861 W. Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-7581. An easy walk from the Convention Center, the dining room is spacious and handsome, and the view from the crowded dining terrace is optimal (the bay, the Coronado Bridge, a park, etc.). The menu, though, is convention-centered — like a Howard Johnson's for the 21st century. The fare features middle-of-the-road faux-fusion salads, seafood, grilled steaks, pastas (most with shellfish), and individual pizzas, plus daily fin-fish dishes listed on a card in a plastic holder on the table. The lighter dishes are the most successful — this is not a bad place to “graze” on appetizers and a mini-pizza when you're starved for a view. Difficult wheelchair access to terrace. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Entrées high moderate to very expensive. — N.W. (8/01)

Fat City Steakhouse 2137 Pacific Highway (at Hawthorn), Little Italy, 619-232-9303. In the Deco “pink palace” at the edge of downtown, the USDA Choice steaks (and one velvety Prime cut) are cooked over mesquite charcoal, which lends them a deliciously smoky campfire flavor. Don't like beef? You can choose nicely grilled chicken, pork, or salmon, or two vegan pastas (the *putanesca* is better than the marinara), or scampi. The appetizer list is mainly trite pub-grub, but the fry-cook does a great

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Las Cuatro Milpas 1857 Logan Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-234-4460. This isn't a restaurant, it's a legend. The same Estudillo family has been serving old-fashioned Mexican food here for three generations — seventy years. Rice, beans, pork tacos (they don't serve beef), pork tamales, chorizo with eggs — that's about it. So how come they have lines outside every day? Blame a potent mixture of sentiment and the lard they refuse to abandon. Folks say that lard flavor is the real Mexico. Also famous: their Saturday *menudo*. Warning: go easy with their deep wine-colored hot sauce. It's room-rocker strength. The name? From a famous mariachi song, “The Four Cornfields.” Open morning to mid-afternoon, Monday to Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/03)

Pete's Quality Meats 1742-1/2 India Street, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete's Meats was just a butcher's shop until Pete's daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian specialties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around two cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and breadcrumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

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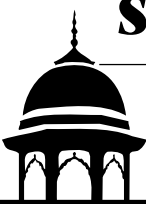
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sausages, and numerous cuts of beef. Turn the cone red side up to take a break from the protein parade. The gargantuan spread includes a buffet in the front of the restaurant with a changeable array of alluring side dishes, salads, fruit, and such intriguing hot entrées as Brazilian oxtail stew or seafood in coconut milk, with exotic but oddly comfortable flavors. There's always a potful of *feijoada*, the national dish — slow-cooked, meaty black beans (in a somewhat bland version, which you can live up with a splash of hot sauce). No matter how often you eat here, you'll never have the same meal twice. Reservations advisable for weekends. Full bar (have a *Caipirinha*). No doggie-bags. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate (considering the food amount); prices higher on weekends. — *N.W. (10/02)*

The Westgate Gourmet Delicatessen Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a grocery for the rich who just can't live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. The Hawaiian chicken salad (with walnuts, pineapple, chutney, fresh seasonal fruits, and non-fat mayo) is filling and healthy. But the best deal is the soup and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops. Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

Wildside Cafe & Rebel Juice Bar 1048 Seventh Avenue (at C Street), downtown, 619-696-1466. Now here's a place that actually makes healthy food seem cool. Partly it's the names: "lunatic lentil soup," sandwiches like "turkey tantrum" (roast turkey with salsa), "tuna scandal" (tuna mushed with egg whites and no-fat mayo), or our two favorites: "veggies on a bike" (cucumbers, spinach leaf, tomatoes, red onion) and "bagel without a cause" (bagel, cream cheese, fresh fruit). Actually, all come with fresh fruit. And do like the local lofties: take your daily shot of fresh-squeezed wheat grass juice with a chaser of strawberries

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SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

Bino's European Coffees and Crepes 1120 Adella Avenue (just off Orange Avenue), Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café (south of the Post Office) has to be good: it's a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fantasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crepes are delicious and filling too. Bino's wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

Cilantro Live! 315-1/2 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-827-7401. Look in Cristina Guzmán's kitchen: no ovens, no burners. Only warmers. Her theory? Never heat food above 112 degrees or the enzymes will die. Enzymes? They're life. They give you energy and do your digestion for you. What's amazing is how much real-looking and -tasting food she can create with raw nuts and twigs. And fruit. And especially seeds. She creates "tuna" wraps (using sunflower-pumpkin seed pâté), burgers (using flax seeds), "meat" loaf (using walnuts) — all pretty credible and edible. For dessert, the spice cake (dates, figs, nuts, papaya) works well. Drinks? The margaritas (green apple with ginger, lime, and cinnamon) have to be good: Ms. Guzmán comes from Mexico City. Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

Da Kine's Plate Lunches 1635 Sweetwater Road (at Prospect), National City, 619-477-8494. Also at 4120 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach, 858-274-8494. You go here for your Pacific Island fix — hundreds of Hawaiians do, every day. You'll find Hawaiian license plates and surfboards on the walls, "Aloha Maid" Guava Nectar, and island food. Although the kalua pig here isn't cooked in an *imu* — a hole in the ground — it sure tastes like the real thing and comes with cabbage, rice, macaroni salad, and kimchee. But beware of the *haupia* cake — it may cause serious addiction. Lunch and early dinner Tuesday through Sunday; open Mondays in

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I like pork loin. It's one of my favorite meats, and it goes well with corn pudding.

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Add some seasonal vegetables and it's a nice light dish with a lot of flavor to it. It's one of the

best sellers here at the restaurant. People say it's the juiciest piece of pork they've ever had, and they love the corn pudding.

The one trick is when baking the pudding in the water bath to be sure not to get any water into the casserole dish or it will be ruined.

I like a light beer with this. Or you could

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Island Wok 922 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6835. This tiny indoor-outdoor-takeaway café is a standby with locals, especially the high school crowd. It serves good Vietnamese-Chinese food, and plenty of it. The owner, Xuan, makes scrumptious fresh (not fried) Vietnamese spring rolls wrapped in rice paper with shrimp, pork, or chicken and vegetables in the middle. But most customers go for the steam-table combination plates. You always get chow mein, fried or steamed rice, and a fried spring roll to start off, and then you can add entrées like orange chicken, *kung pao* chicken, or sweet-and-sour pork. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

McDini's Baja Bar & Restaurant 105 East 8th Street, National City, 619-474-6771. The first version of this "Corned Beef Capital of the West" opened downtown in 1890. They came to National City in 1948. Despite the "Baja," it feels more like an Irish pub, with three pool tables, long bar, and booths. It's got a diverse, mellow family scene — all ages, all races, chatting, playing pool, cozying up to the all-encom-

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Moonlight on the Sea/Club 13 640 Civic Center Drive (under I-5 at Harbor Drive), National City, 619-477-2851. Is this what sailors dream of when they're at sea? The little blue under-the-freeway shack has been serving up *cervezas*, BBQ, and burgers to sailors and shipbuilders since 1934, most of the time as "Club 13." Traditionally, Hell's Angels visited it on their north-south tour of California's oldest bars. In 1993, Linda, the latest owner, added the romantic "Moonlight On The Sea" moniker. She prepares and hand-rolls her own *lumpia*, and it shows. It has a nice fresh veggie, marinated-meat taste. And of course the grilled cheese sandwiches, wings, cheeseburgers, and nighttime doubleburgers fit right into this

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into a well-greased casserole dish and cover with aluminum foil. Place the casserole dish in a larger baking dish and fill with water halfway up the side of the casserole dish to create a water bath. Bake for 45–60 minutes, till set. Remove from oven and leave covered in a warm place.

Increase oven heat to 375 degrees. Rub the pork loin down with the oil and season with salt

and pepper. In a hot sauté pan sear the pork on all sides until golden brown. Place pork in a roasting pan and bake in oven for 35–50 minutes. When pork is done remove from pan and let the pork rest in a warm place. Turn off the oven and place the corn pudding in the oven to warm up while you prepare the pan jus and slice the pork. Scrape all the drippings out of the pan and place them in a

sauce pot. Over low heat, add in flour until you have a wet sand consistency. Add in the chicken stock and bring to a boil. Turn the heat down and simmer for ten minutes. Add in the honey and thyme and simmer for ten more minutes, then strain. Thinly slice the pork and serve with warm corn pudding and the honey-thyme jus.

This recipe serves four or five.

INGREDIENTS

Corn pudding:
2 cups cream
3 cups shucked corn
5 eggs
Salt and pepper to taste

Pork:
3 pounds center-cut pork loin
2 tablespoons oil
Salt and pepper to taste

Pan jus:
¼ cup honey
¼ bunch fresh thyme
3 cups chicken stock
Flour as needed

nuts, and above all a vast variety of chile peppers, each with its own distinctive flavor (not all of them spicy). You could eat here a dozen times and not begin to exhaust the possibilities. Just a few of the treats are mushrooms steeped in beef marrow, alligator meat mini-tacos, *pozole* with crab meat, and an irresistible beef and shrimp stew. (Food critic Ruth Reichl consumed a meal of exotic Aztec delicacies, including ant roe and mezcals worms, and you can try them too when they're in season.) The wine list is devoted wholly to ambitious Baja wineries; you're also welcome to BYO. Bar choices include damiana and hibiscus liqueurs. Menu and staff are bilingual. Reservations strongly advised; ask for directions. Moderate. — N.W. (1/04)

El Rodeo Blvd. Salinas #1647, Tijuana, 686-5640. Steak lovers will have a field

day here with a variety of cuts, some cooked right at your table. The accompaniments are wonderful: an appetizer and quesadilla, a crisp salad, beans served in their own liquid — even a dessert is included in the price of the entrée. Cheese soup, burritos, and tripe are also available. *Vaquero* decor, wood-paneled rooms. Good value if you like beef. Open daily from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Take Revolución until it bends to the left to become Agua Caliente; turn left just before the twin high-rise towers, and left again, onto the one-way street, Blvd. Salinas. El Rodeo is on the right side of the street. Highly visible and easy to find. Moderate. — E.W.

Mr. Fish Blvd. Agua Caliente #6000, Tijuana, 686-3603. It's fun to eat in this restaurant with its thatched roof and wide variety of fish and seafood. Don't

overlook the whole fish, either steamed or fried, the filet in garlic butter, or, for those who'd like a smorgasbord, the "Combination Mr. Fish," which supplies fresh lobster, shrimp, squid, and a filet of fish. The half-dozen preparations of crêpes are wild — there's even a Mexican version of blintzes. Open Sunday through Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Follow Revolución until it bends to the left and becomes Agua Caliente. Continue past the twin high-rise towers. Mr. Fish is on the right-hand side of the road, just before the country club. Moderate. — E.W.

Original Ortega's In Puerto Nuevo, next to Casa de la Langosta, on the first street to your left (Calle Principal) after entering town through the entry gate. Open since 1952, this is the original

"Lobster Village" restaurant, and not much has changed. Eventually Ortega's grew into an octopus with multiple arms in Puerto Nuevo and Rosarito Beach, all pretty similar. The menu is longer than most, with numerous starters (including a tasty ceviche and an excellent tortilla soup), varied seafood entrées and *antojitos*, desserts, and even fancy coffees (including "Viagra," which features reputedly aphrodisiac Damiana herbal liqueur). The spiny lobsters (once local but now from who-knows-where) are first fried in lard, then finished off on the grill, and served with a greasy-tasting melted "Kitchen Maid" margarine blend, frijoles, rice, tortillas, and salsa. Full bar, English menu, staff marginally bilingual. Moderate to high, but with low-moderate specials. No reservations, cash only. — N.W. (11/02)

Vallarta Natural Boulevard Agua Caliente #1252, Tijuana, 686-1560. Vallarta Natural makes travel to Tijuana really appetizing, serving only the healthiest, freshest ingredients. The kitchen makes its own bread and rolls, soy chorizo, vegetable stock, and gluten daily. Recommended are goblets of fresh juice, *caldito* soup, *taquitos panzones* (soft tacos) filled with sautéed mushrooms or soy chorizo, and especially *milanesa*. The *milanesa* is made from fresh gluten and is almost indistinguishable from veal — breaded, fried, it is delicious. Cool, clean, pleasant atmosphere. Open daily. Inexpensive. — M.N. (9/98)

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The Matter of the Heart

The French seductress initiates a roll in the hay with a literal roll in the mud.

The title is only the topmost irritation in *I Heart Huckabees*—as we're obliged to write the title if, unlike the press notes from Fox Searchlight or a newspaper as resourceful as the *New York Times*, we are unable or unwilling to reproduce in print the actual heart shape popular on bumper stickers, T-shirts, and coffee mugs. That, of course, is the way the title appears on screen. But to indulge the movie on this score could open the floodgates to future titles littered with hieroglyphics, pictographs, rebuses, branding-iron designs such as the insignia conferred upon himself by the Artist Formerly Known As Prince. Even were we able or willing to go along with the heart on the page (I won't bother to carp about the absence of an apostrophe in Huckabees, a corporate name comparable to Starbucks), it would be no help to the moviegoer in casual conversation, much less to the radio or TV commentator, when he wants simply to identify what he saw last night. For that, he must have a word. And ap-

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DUNCAN SHEPHERD

parently it won't do, in this instance, to translate the heart symbol straight, as intended by the manufacturers of bumper stickers and coffee mugs: *I Love Huckabees*. No, it demands the translation of an irony-laden sophisticate, the sort of person who selects X-rated greeting cards for all occasions and who pronounces the Target discount stores as tar-ZHAY.

From that angle, the title no doubt suits the movie, a self-declared Existential Comedy revolving around the personal crisis of an environmental activist (Jason Schwartzman), currently getting squeezed out of the Open Spaces Coalition by his duplicitous but much better-looking and more charismatic colleague (Jude Law), who is literally sleeping with the enemy, the cheerleader-perky spokesmodel (Naomi Watts) of the expansionist Huckabees department store: "The Everything Store." (I could not, above, say that Huckabees is a corporate name comparable to Macy's, because the latter doesn't lack an apostrophe.) The impetus of the crisis, or the impetus of



I Heart Huckabees

the plot anyway, is the business card of an Existential Detective agency fortuitously found in the pocket of a loaner sport coat at a jackets-required restaurant. The question the client wants answered is the meaning of three separate sightings of a beanpole black man — it can't just be coincidence, can it? — but the husband-and-wife detective team (Dustin Hoffman in a

gray Beatles wig and the slyly deadpan Lily Tomlin), tackling their 353rd case in seventeen years of operation, are more interested in the larger issues of their client's identity and his place in the grand scheme of things. Rounding out the cast of characters are the client's assigned "buddy" (Mark Wahlberg), an anti-petroleum fanatic who, in his job as a firefighter, con-

scientiously bicycles to the source of the alarm, and a renegade disciple of our detectives (Isabelle Huppert), a French nihilist whose antithetical business card reads, "Cruelty. Manipulation. Meaninglessness."

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the sameness of opposites, and so on, it is, in its heart of hearts, a typical piece of American commercialism hell-bent on supplying constant diversion: nervous, anxious, restless, relentless. Sample cattle prods: the two buddies, for therapeutic purposes, take turns hitting each other in the face with an inflated rubber ball to clear their heads; the French seductress initiates a roll in the hay with a literal roll in the mud; the spokesmodel rebels against the rigors of glamour with the cosmetic-free look of an "Amish bag lady." (More likely to raise a laugh, though, is the less loony material, as when a firm but gentle paterfamilias admonishes his unruly brood with a new twist on an old cliché: "I don't want to hear it again or there'll be no Internet tonight.") Perhaps the nervousness, the anxiety, etc., make better sense when you remember to note that *Huckabees* is the first film in five years by David O. Russell (*Three Kings*, *Flirting with Disaster*, *Spanking the Monkey*, in reverse order) and that he has a reputation to maintain. Or to resuscitate. The trendy ideas in this high-brow Three Stooges comedy, this metaphysical Thin Man mystery, might give you the feeling of often being on the verge of something — something quite different, something special, something unique — without ever really crossing over the verge. Certainly it is not your ordinary bad movie. It is your extraordinary one.

Friday Night Lights, based on the well-regarded nonfiction book by H.G. Bissinger, is a pedantic pigskin story set in football-mad West Texas: the pressures, the twisted passions, the bitter pills, the life lessons. Billy Bob Thornton, who appears to take more than just the overbite from G.D. Spradlin in *North Dallas Forty*, is the beleaguered coach of the Permian High Panthers in the small town of Odessa. Derek Luke, pronouncing Nike to rhyme with Mike, is the one-man offense who tears up his knee after ripping off five or six TDs in the opening game. Jay Hernandez is the second-stringer who steps into the big shoes. Garrett Hedlund, a screen newcomer, is the butterfingers with an abusive alcoholic father (country singer Tim McGraw). And Lucas Black is the tightly wound quarterback who must shoulder most of the burden as well as an embarrassment of a mother. The affectations of authenticity in the directing style of Peter Berg — the jiggly camerawork, the jagged editing, the windblown dialogue, the desiccated color — can scarcely forge a single coherent scene, let alone a whole coherent football game.

The Final Cut, the feature debut of writer-director Omar Naim, imagines a future world in which one out of every twenty citizens has been fitted before birth with a Zoe Implant, a sort of lifelong built-in camcorder, and in which a highly trained "cutter" will be commissioned after death to edit the footage into an official record known as a "rememory." A protest movement has sprung up under the slogans of "Open Your Eyes," "Remember for Yourself," and "Live for Today." Hard as it is to comprehend the technology, never mind the magnitude of the task of editing half-a-million hours of footage down to manageable length, it is almost as hard to comprehend the moral objections to it: hard to see, that is, how the "rememory" of the future is much different from the selective home videos, photo albums, printed obituaries, and spoken eulogies of today. The implant, to be sure, has little

enough effect on its recipient, failing even to deter a pillar of the community from molesting his own daughter. Robin Williams, as a master cutter with the unfortunate name of Hakman, practically biting his lower lip to stay in character, doesn't encourage us to take this seriously.

Stage Beauty, adapted from his own play by Jeffrey Hatcher and directed by Richard Eyre, erects a protofeminist milestone, early Restoration period, to mark the end of one era and the dawn of another: Charles the Second's edict which lifted the ban on women on the English stage, and a second-thought edict (sped along by a royal blow job) which imposed a new ban on men playing women. Billy Crudup hardly seems pretty enough to be thrown Pepys's bouquet as "the loveliest woman on the stage" (was Jonathan Rhys-Meyers booked up?), and Claire Danes seems too whiny and wilty to be a feminist spearhead. They each, however, have a good audition scene, Crudup having the tougher of them, trying in vain to suppress his ingrained femininities. The film trifles with notions of gender, beauty, art, and artifice ("A woman playing a woman — what's the trick in that?") in an engaging way, when it isn't flogged to tatters by an over-insistent musical score.


The fifth annual San Diego Asian Film Festival, beginning a week from today, will span four days, October 21 through 24, and "more than 150 film and video titles," by its own count. Or, by my math, more than thirty-five per day, with full days only on the final two weekend days. Hazard Center is still the place; www.sdaff.org is the website.

And Scott Marks, erstwhile Curator of Film at the Museum of Photographic Arts, pokes his head up as a programmer for the first time since June, with a six-hour marathon of vintage horror and science-fiction trailers, 5:00 p.m. to 11, at the Museum of Contemporary Art, La Jolla, on October 28: an encore to a similar program last year at the other museum. ■

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Around the Bend — Christopher Walken as a black sheep who reconnects with his family, co-starring Josh Lucas and Michael Caine, written and directed by Jordan Roberts.
(LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 10/15)

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 fog-bound Memory Lane — never seems to slow him down, never lets his scheming adversaries get ahead of him.) But one of the side benefits of sequels is that any quarrel with a basic premise will tend eventually to die down — or get worn down. We get used to it and over it. Or we just get tired of quarrelling. And, at least for a fair distance,

this sequel is fast, ferocious, diverting — yet in the end, and after it, unsatisfying and unsustainable. That strain of incongruous, incompatible sentimentality that so weakened the first film lingers on in the second, despite the early exit of Franka Potente and her civilizing, softening, feminine influence. And the climactic car chase in Moscow is perfectly laughable: every law-enforcement vehicle in the city is hot on our hero's tail and still he manages, after four or five neck-snapping collisions, to find some "alone time" with the very assassin who took a shot at him at the start of the film in India. And — an early and unrelenting quarrel — while the replacement of Doug Liman as director is no great loss, the choice of his actual replacement is highly questionable: Paul Greengrass, maker of the British docudrama *Bloody Sunday*. In the best of circumstances, his sloppy, scrambling, pseudodocumentary camera style would be a poor fit for so cool and controlled and perfectionist a hero. But this hero is more than just that. Greengrass seems to be laboring under the same misapprehension as Liman the first time: that

he is presiding over an exposé of the spy racket rather than over a paean to its supreme practitioner. The title of the sequel can only be read as a coronation. Matt Damon, Brian Cox, Joan Allen, Julia Stiles. 2004.
★ (GASLAMP 15)

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. Ellis. 2004.
★ (PALM PROMENADE 24; VOGUE)

Dig — Music documentary, directed by Ondi Timoner, on the bitter rivalry between two rock bands, The Dandy Warhols

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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 any-more!") 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, self-anointed arbiter of bad taste, simultaneously to spoof and to salute the exploitation films of the pre-hardcore era, some of which are showcased in post-bonking hallucinatory montages. The argument for the defense might suggest that, in its slapdash plot and slipshod production, the 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!" With Johnny Knoxville, Chris Isaak, Selma Blair. 2004.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Exorcist: The Beginning — Backstory on how Father Merrin — the old priest under the streetlamp — lost his faith in a Nazi concentration camp and regained it in a confrontation with a devil's agent at an archaeological dig in Kenya. An hour-and-three-quarter afterthought, it has all the standard disadvantages of prequels: it fails to advance the story; it adds nothing that needed to be said; it dampens the suspense; it takes the edge off. Surely it would have done better to sever all ties to the *Exorcist* original: no Scandinavian cleric (opening



The Final Cut

the door to a more appealing leading man than the *sotto voce* Stellan Skarsgard); no greenface makeup and gravel-voiced ventriloquism; none of the disadvantages of prequels. The project would appear to have had enough going for it to have stood on its own. The idea — the image — of a church where there should not be a church, a Fifth-century 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, how-

ever, 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 maggots 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.

★ (PALM PROMENADE 24)

Fahrenheit 9/11 — Michael Moore's blistering critique of the Bush administration in toto and its War on Terror in particular (just in time for the 2004 presidential campaign, too) is at bottom a pair of devil's horns drawn on the head of Dubya. But if Moore were only making fun, he'd only be Leno or Letterman. He sees the big picture (sometimes too big to be easily grasped: the serpentine connections between the Bushes and the Saudis), and he sees also the little picture (the police infiltration of a middle-class protest group calling itself Peace Fresno, or the bottle of breast milk stopped at an airport checkpoint). He often stoops to frivolity (a *Dragnet* montage to illustrate proper interrogation techniques, a couple of promo spots for at-home panic rooms and take-to-work parachutes, John Ashcroft's full-chested rendition of his self-composed "Let the Ea-

gle Soar"); and at times he stretches himself to the utmost gravity (a mother's grief over the loss of her soldier son, grisly war footage you won't see on American television). The shifts in scale and in tone are as stimulating as they are startling. And finally, to secure the ties to his earlier work, Moore revisits the fear theme, or in other words the mind-control theme, from *Bowling for Columbine*, and inevitably he revisits his hometown of Flint, Michigan (see *Roger and Me* as well as *Columbine*), a prime spot for military recruiters to round up cannon fodder from among the unemployed. Moore himself — his rebellious rumpliness, his defiant untidiness, his cultivated slobbiness — is less on view in this one (though he is continuously in our ear in that singsongy, snide, sardonic tone of voice), and his relative scarcity on screen could even be seen as a shortcoming insofar as it signals a fall-off in original material and a heavier reliance on found footage. Found, that is, or scrounged or wheedled or donated. 2004.

★★★★ (GASLAMP 15)

The Final Cut — Reviewed this issue. With Robin Williams, Mira Sorvino, Jim Caviezel, and Mimi Kuzik; written and directed by Omar Naïm.
● (FASHION VALLEY 18; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24;
FROM 10/15)

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 (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

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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. Dominic West, Anthony Edwards, Gary Sinise. 2004.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKET-PLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Friday Night Lights — Reviewed this issue. With Billy Bob Thornton, Derek Luke, Lucas Black, and Tim McGraw; directed by Peter Berg.

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Garden State — Small-screen actor Zach Braff, who also wrote and directed, as the most impassive sadsack this side of Dustin Hoffman in *The Graduate*: impassive amid the surrounding panic of a plane-crash dream scene; impassive in the sanatorium ambience of his bedroom, lying motionless on his back and listening to the news of his mother's death in a phone message from his father; impassive in the face of abuse from customers in his moonlighting job as a waiter at a Vietnamese restaurant. (Hard to picture him being as impassive in his other job: actor.) There turns out to be a medical, a medicinal, reason for his impassivity, but no such internal rationale arises for the nonstop assaults on the hero's, or the viewer's, sensitivities: the excessive vibrato of a Jewish funeral singer in a graveside rendition of "Once, Twice, Three Times a Lady," the knight-in-armor at the breakfast table, the guide dog who humps the hero's leg in the doctor's waiting room, the backyard pet cemetery. It goes on and on like that, an endless parade of embarrassments and bizarreries. The real, the external reason for this onslaught of oddities, photographed with a Diane Arbus-like bluntness, might be sought in the filmmaker's dread of being dull and ordinary, notwithstanding his ostensible concern for ordinary people in a dull New Jersey suburb. The anticipation of the next little kink, the next little quirk, takes the place of story interest or character interest, a poor in-

ducement to stay in your seat. Natalie Portman, Peter Sarsgaard, Ian Holm. 2004.

● (GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12)

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★★ (GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; THROUGH 10/14)

Her Majesty — Coming-of-age tale, set in early-1950s New Zealand, with Sally Andrews and Alison Routledge, written and directed by Mark J. Gordon.

(FLOWER HILL 4; HORTON PLAZA 14; POWAY 10; FROM 10/15)

Hero — Hugely expensive Chinese export, hugely profitable at home, clearly wants to get in on some of that *Crouching Tiger*, *Hidden Dragon* action, that flying, floating, backflipping, corkscrewing, slow-motion martial-arts action, an ambition as unexpected from Zhang Yimou as it was from Ang Lee. The hero in question goes by the name of Nameless, a master swordsman who, by dispatching three assassins with

prices on their heads, gains an audience with the ruthless ruler of Qin, architect of a plan to unite the seven warring states of ancient China, at whatever cost in human lives. How this hero came to dispatch the assassins — Long Sky, Flying Snow, Broken Sword — is told several times, each successive version seemingly coming nearer the truth (and thereby diverging ever farther from Kurosawa's *Rashomon*), as well as coming nearer a state of spiritual enlightenment. On that path, the action fan will be asked to ponder the invalidity of violence and the nobility of sacrifice. But he will also be treated to the dream cast of Jet Li (working for a change with a real filmmaker), Maggie Cheung, Tony Leung, Zhang Ziyi, and Donnie Yen; and he will be regaled with anything-goes combat scenes that not only defy gravity but defy logic, suspense, and human interest to boot. The action — stylized and aestheticized to 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 mountain-scape; 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

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★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

I Heart Huckabees — Reviewed this issue. With Jason Schwartzman, Dustin Hoffman, Lily Tomlin, Mark Wahlberg, Jude Law, and Naomi Watts; directed by David O. Russell.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12; FROM 10/15)

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 sur-

vive. 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. 2004.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

The Last Shot — Jeff Nathanson's behind-the-scenes Hollywood comedy, starring Matthew Broderick and Alec Baldwin. (MISSION VALLEY 20, FROM 10/15)

Maria Full of Grace — Banal tale of how a nice, pretty, pregnant, unmarried Colombian 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 Marston. 2004.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

The Motorcycle Diaries — Mythologizing biopic on the critical year of 1952 in the

life of Che Guevara, before he was Che, when he was still just a med student called "Ernestito," embarking with his biochemist best friend on a road trip from his native Argentina, up the entire west coast of South America, on the back of "an aged, leaky 1939 Norton 500," nicknamed "The Mighty One." The motorcycle, after four spills, conks out in Chile, but the journey continues on foot: a desultory, mildly diverting narrative that, in the end, turns quite touching. With Gael García Bernal and Rodrigo De la Serna; directed by Walter Salles. 2004.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Mr. 3000 — A member of the exclusive 3000-Hit Club, but not yet 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.

★ (GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; VOGUE)

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 slope-shouldered frame, breathing through a troutlike open mouth, speaking in a monotone by turns belligerent and resentful, peering out at the world through half-closed 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 undergone some sort of artistic epiphany while watching a Wes Anderson film: flat, squared-up images, dealt out in a kind of hammer-and-anvil rhythm. The consistency of it all, not just the rhythm but the tone, is ultimately persuasive. The viewer is given plenty of time to attune, to adjust, to acclimate. He is given no special inducement. Jon Gries, Aaron Ruell, Efrén Ramirez, Tina Majorino. 2004.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MIRA MESA 18; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; TOWN SQUARE 14)

The Neverending Story — The adult might well appreciate the plug put in for novels (versus video games) as a source of children's entertainment, and might also appreciate the elementary lesson dished out at the climax about the audience's vital role in the creative process: more or less what Coleridge had in mind with the expression "poetic faith." But the particular fiction used to demonstrate these ideals — an overproduced and underimagined fairy tale about a land called Fantasia besieged by something called The Nothing — will best be left to the wide-eyed or merely undis-

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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)

Rosenstrasse — Margarethe von Trotta’s tale of heroic women in Nazi Germany, with Katja Riemann and Maria Schrader.
(LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Shall We Dance? — American remake of the 1996 Japanese film, with Richard Gere, Jennifer Lopez, Susan Sarandon, directed by Peter Chelsom.
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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. With the voices, also, of Renée Zellweger and Angelina Jolie; directed by Bibi Bergeron, Vicky Jensen, and Rob Letterman. 2004.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8;

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Shaun of the Dead — British takeoff, or send-up as you prefer, of George Romero’s imaginative, morbidly witty zombie film, *Dawn of the Dead*. All of the imagination in this one has gone into the humor and none into the horror. Put more simply, all of it has gone into Shaun (and his associates) and none into the Dead, who could pass for direct spillover from the outskirts of Romero’s Pittsburgh. Co-writer/director Edgar Wright and co-writer/star Simon Pegg make great sport, early on, playing on our expectations — raising false alarms — by zeroing in on the zombie-like demeanor of the ordinary man on the street. But while the real zombies await their cue in the wings, the first order of business is to scope out, at leisure, the social dynamics of the central ensemble: the title character (Pegg), a white-shirted clerk in an electronics store, who neglects his long-suffering girlfriend (Kate Ashfield) and uncomplaining mother (Penelope Wilton) in preference for the company of the slobby slacker (Nick Frost) with whom he has been best friends since boyhood; and a romantically linked couple (Lucy Davis, Dylan Moran) who take the side of the girlfriend, the male of the couple taking her side so ardently as to arouse the suspicions of his own girlfriend. Where the Romero film, and its vision of America, was centered around the shopping mall, this one, and its vision of twenty-something Brits of arrested development, is centered around the pub. (Rhymes with hub.) The

only place our Shaun can ever think to go — whether to make up to his girlfriend on a Special Night Out or to fortify himself against an army of zombies — is the place he goes every night of his life: “You got your pint. You got your pig snacks. What more do you want?” There would be no insult in saying that, nimble and diligent though this comedy is, it is not quite as funny, and not nearly as scary, as the Romero prototype. Or to say it another way: the joke in the Romero is not only more double-edged — the zombies and the humans both have their own reasons to gravitate to the mall — but at the same time it is less of a joke. The shopping mall as a refuge is a genuinely good idea. 2004.
★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SAN MARCOS 18)

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 amateur central performance

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(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. With Maria Bello, Richard Dreyfuss, Daryl Hannah, Tim Roth, Kris Kristofferson. 2004.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 10/14)

Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow — Juvenile yet antiquarian adventure yarn, a pastiche of 1930s science fiction and Saturday-matinee serials, a more or less black-and-white film with just a blush of color, a blend of antecedents as diverse as Max Fleischer’s Superman cartoons, Spielberg’s Indiana Jones series, Lars

von Trier’s *Zentropa*, Prince’s *Under the Cherry Moon*. Shot entirely (so they claim) in front of a “blue screen,” with back-grounds filled in later by computer, it evokes the studio-bound 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; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Stage Beauty — Reviewed this issue. With Billy Crudup, Claire Danes, Tom Wilkinson, and Rupert Everett; directed by Richard Eyre.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 10/15)

Taxi — Americanization of an unimported French farce written by Luc Besson: a bumbling white male cop (Jimmy Fallon) and a brassy black female cabbie (Queen Latifah, the new Whoopi Goldberg) on the trail of a



Rosenstrasse

bank-robbing gang of Brazilian bombshells (supermodel Gisele Bündchen, et al.). Un-demanding and unrewarding. With Jennifer Esposito and Ann-Margret; directed by Tim Story. 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT

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A Dirty Shame (NC-17) Fri. (1:15, 3:25, 5:35) 7:45, 10:10; Sat.-Sun. (11:00) 1:15, 3:25, 5:35, 7:45, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:25, 5:35) 7:45, 10:10; **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. (1:50, 4:25) 9:40; Tue.-Thu. (1:50, 4:25) 7:00, 9:40; **I Heart Huckabees** (R) Fri. (2:00, 4:35) 7:10, 9:50; Sat.-Sun. (11:25) 2:00, 4:35, 7:10, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:35) 7:10, 9:50; **The Motorcycle Diaries** (R) Fri. (2:30, 5:30) 8:30; Sat.-Sun. (11:35) 2:30, 5:30, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:30) 8:30; **Stage Beauty** (R) Fri. (2:10, 4:45) 7:20, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:45) 7:20, 10:00

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. 1:00, 4:00, 8:00; Sat. 11:00, 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 5:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:00, 4:00; **Lewis and Clark: Great Journey West** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00; To Worlds Beyond Sat. 10:00; **Volcanoes of the Deep Sea** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00, 9:00; Sat. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00, 8:00; Sun. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 3:00, 5:00; **Yellowstone** (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:10, 4:35) 7:00, 9:25; **Friday Night Lights** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 11:50, 2:15, 2:35, 5:00, 5:20) 7:45, 8:05, 10:30, 10:50; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:15, 5:00) 7:45, 10:30; **The Motorcycle Diaries** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:20, 5:10) 8:05, 11:00; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 2:25, 5:20) 7:45, 10:10; **Raise Your Voice** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:15, 4:55) 7:35, 10:15; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:25, 4:55) 7:25, 9:55; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 12:15, 12:45, 2:10,

Team America: World Police — Action spoof enacted with marionettes, directed by Trey Parker.
(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 10/15)

Vanity Fair — Not, please be advised, a throbbing exposé of life at a trendy New York monthly, but just the latest screen treatment of the William Makepeace Thackeray warhorse, a grand-scale pageant of class, snobbery, and hypocrisy in early 19th-century England. As *Classics Illustrated* go, the illustrations are supremely fussy, cluttered, glutted; and the 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

2:40, 3:10, 4:35, 5:05, 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) 7:30, 10:10; **Taxi** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 12:15, 2:25, 2:45, 4:55, 5:15) 7:25, 7:45, 9:55, 10:15; **Team America: World Police** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 12:05, 2:25, 2:45, 5:05, 5:25) 7:45, 8:05, 10:25, 10:45; **WMD: Weapons of Mass Deception** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 2:35, 5:00) 7:25, 9:50

LA MESA

Grossmont Center
Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)
The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:25, 2:50) 5:10, 7:25, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 2:50, 5:00) 7:15, 10:00; **Friday Night Lights** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 1:00, 3:15) 4:45, 7:10, 7:45, 9:55, 10:25; Sun. (12:15, 1:00, 3:15) 4:45, 7:10, 7:40, 9:55, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:15, 3:20, 4:55) 7:10, 7:40, 9:50, 10:25; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:45, 2:20) 4:55, 7:35, 10:20; Sun. (11:45, 2:20) 4:55, 7:35, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:50) 7:25, 10:15; **Raise Your Voice** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:50, 2:25) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:40, 5:05) 7:30, 9:55; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 2:45) 5:20, 7:40, 10:05; Sun. (12:20, 2:45) 5:20, 7:45, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:45, 5:10) 7:35, 10:05; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:55, 2:10) 4:35, 7:00, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:25, 2:35, 4:45) 7:00, 9:20; **Shaun of the Dead** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:00, 7:50, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:10, 5:30) 7:50, 10:15; **Taxi** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:30) 5:05, 7:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:35, 3:00, 5:20) 7:45, 10:10; **Team America: World Police** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:35) 5:15, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. (12:00, 2:35) 5:15, 7:55, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 5:15) 7:55, 10:20

Grossmont Trolley
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
Friday Night Lights (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:35) 4:15, 7:25, 10:15; Sun. (1:35) 4:15, 7:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:15) 7:25; **Garden State** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:10) 4:30, 7:15, 10:00; Sun. (1:10) 4:30, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:30) 7:15; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:30) 4:10, 7:00, 9:35; Sun. (1:30) 4:10, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:10) 7:00; **Mr. 3000** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (3:40) 9:40; Sun.-Thu. (3:40); **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:10) 5:35, 7:45, 9:55; Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 5:35, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:50, 3:10, 5:35) 7:45; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:15) 5:25, 7:40, 9:50; Sun. (1:

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)

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.



Stage Beauty

Directed by William Arntz, Betsy Chasse, Mark Vicente. 2004.

● (FLOWER HILL 4; HORTON PLAZA 14)

Wimbledon — Tennis courtship. An over-the-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.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12)

Without a Paddle — Three boyhood pals, facing their mortality at thirty, head out on a treasure hunt for the lost loot of D.B. Cooper. Or at least a hunt for low comedy: city slickers in the backwoods. They find a lot of the least. With Seth Green, Matthew Lillard, Dax Shepard, and Burt Reynolds; directed by Steven Brill. 2004.

● (GASLAMP 15; VOGUE)

The Yes Men — Documentary co-directed by Chris Smith, Dan Ollman, and Sarah Price, with a routinely (for documentarists these days) awful image, about a pair of political pranksters named Andy Bichlbaum and Mike Bonanno. The film concentrates on their adventures upon setting up a parody website modelled on that of the World Trade Organization, and then fielding invitations from duped television producers and seminar sponsors. Under such red-flag pseudonyms as Granwyth Hulatberi, Hank Hardy Unruh, and Kin-nithrung Sprat, we see the front man, Bichlbaum, posing as a bona fide mouth-

piece of the WTO in a debate against an anti-globalist on CNBC; we see him at a symposium in Finland unveiling a “managerial leisure suit,” in gold lamé worthy of an Ed Wood science-fiction film, and equipped with an Employee Visualization Appendage (i.e., three-foot-long phallus) through which to monitor workers on a closed-circuit TV screen; we see him in a college lecture hall in Plattsburgh, N.Y., shoving down the throats of the students a plan to feed Third Worlders on hamburgers made of recycled human waste (“re-burgers”); and we see him in Australia soberly and plain-spokenly announcing the disbandment of the WTO as presently constituted and its rededication to the goal of truly giving aid to underdeveloped nations at the expense of plunderous corporations. (“Maybe,” muses his partner before or after that last event, “it’s more fun to be satirical than serious.”) A natural reaction to these pranks would be to find the humor too broad, too low, too transparent. Yet the reactions of the audiences at these events, or rather the nonreactions, would seem to refute that finding. For the audience of the movie, then, the humor is likely to be much enriched by the reactions of the audiences on screen. The jokes may not get a laugh, but the ensuing silence may. 2004.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 10/14)

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road

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SANTEE

Santee Drive In

10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)

Shark Tale; **Ladder 49**; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow**; **The Forgotten**

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)

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Palm Promenade 24

770 Dennergy Road (858-558-2262)

Team America: World Police; **Shall We Dance?**; **The Motorcycle Diaries**; **The Final Cut**; **Exorcist: The Beginning**; **Friday Night Lights**; **Raise Your Voice**; **Taxi**; **Shark Tale**; **Ladder 49**; **The Forgotten**; **Shaun of the Dead**; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow**; **Resident Evil: Apocalypse**; **Cellular**; **Napoleon Dynamite**

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street (619-216-4707)

The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:10, 4:10) 7:20, 10:25; **Friday Night Lights** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 1:05, 3:45, 4:15) 6:55, 7:20, 9:50, 10:20; **Hero** (PG-13) Fri.-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; **Raise Your Voice** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:30) 7:05, 9:45; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 3:35) 7:10, 9:45; **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,

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Vogue

226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436)

Cellular; **Mr. 3000**; **Without a Paddle**

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)

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NORTH INLAND

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)

The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri. (12:35, 2:35) 5:40, 7:50, 10:05; Sat. (11:25, 1:30, 3:40) 5:50, 8:00, 10:10; Sun. (12:15, 2:25) 4:35, 6:40, 8:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:25, 4:35) 6:40, 8:55; **Friday Night Lights** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:40) 5:15, 7:55, 10:35; Sat. (11:00, 1:40) 4:20, 7:30, 10:15; Sun. (11:00, 1:40) 4:15, 6:50, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:35) 6:50, 9:20; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri. (12:10, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:20; Sat. (11:15, 1:50) 4:25, 7:20, 9:55; Sun. (11:15, 1:45) 4:15, 6:55, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:15) 6:55, 9:25; **Napoleon Dynamite** (PG) Fri. (12:45, 3:00) 5:10, 7:25, 9:35; Sat. (11:20, 1:25, 3:35) 5:40, 7:50, 10:00; Sun. (11:20, 1:25, 3:30) 5:35, 7:35, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:30, 4:30) 7:35, 9:35; **Raise Your Voice** (PG) Fri. (12:30, 2:55) 5:25, 7:50, 10:15; Sat. (11:30, 1:55) 4:20, 7:25, 9:55; Sun. (11:10, 1:35, 3:55) 6:45, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:25, 4:40) 6:55, 9:15; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Fri. (12:20, 2:50) 5:20, 7:40, 10:00; Sat. (11:35, 2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. (11:35, 2:00) 4:35, 7:15, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 2:35, 4:45) 7:15, 9:35; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri. (12:00, 12:50, 2:15, 3:05) 4:30, 5:20, 6:45, 7:30, 9:00, 9:50; Sat. (11:05, 12:00, 1:05, 2:15, 3:10) 4:30, 5:20, 6:45, 7:30, 9:00, 9:50; Sun. (11:05, 12:00, 1:05, 2:15, 3:10) 4:30, 5:20, 6:45, 7:30, 9:00, 9:40; **Sky Captain and the World of Tomorrow** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 2:30) 4:55, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:50, 7:05, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:10, 2:30, 4:50) 7:05, 9:25; **Taxi** (PG-13) Fri. 12:15, 1:05, 2:35, 3:25, 5:00, 5:45, 7:20, 8:05, 9:40, 10:25; Sat. 11:00, 12:05, 1:15, 2:35, 3:30, 5:05, 5:45, 7:25, 8:05, 9:50, 10:25; Sun. 11:00, 12:05, 1:15, 2:35, 3:30, 5:05, 5:45, 7:20, 8:05, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. 12:05, 1:15, 2:35, 3:30, 5:05, 5:45, 7:20, 8:05, 9:40; **Team America: World Police** (R) Fri. (12:25, 2:50) 5:30, 8:00, 10:25; Sat. (11:55, 2:20) 4:45, 7:35, 10:20; Sun. (11:55, 2:15) 4:40, 7:00, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:15, 4:40) 7:00, 9:30

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16

350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)

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FALLBROOK

Galaxy 6

5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)

Friday Night Lights (PG-13) Fri. 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:45; Sat. 11:30 (2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:45; Sun. 11:30 (2:15) 5:00, 7:45; Mon.-Thu. 2:15, 5:00, 7:45; **Garden State** (R) Fri. 2:00 (4:30) 7:15, 9:45; Sat. 11:15 (2:00, 4:30) 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 11:15 (2:00, 4:30) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:00 (4:30) 7:15; **Raise Your Voice** (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.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri. 2:30 (4:45) 7:00, 9:15; Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15; Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00; Mon.-Tue. 2:30 (4:45) 7:00; Wed. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00; Thu. 2:30 (4:45) 7:00; **Taxi** (PG-13) Fri. 2:45, 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 2:45, 5:15, 7:30; **Team America: World Police** (R) Fri. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Thu. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)

The Forgotten (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:30; **Friday Night Lights** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:30, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:30; **Her Majesty** (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; **Ladder 49** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:00; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; Wed. 10:00 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; Thu. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; **Raise Your Voice** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:30; **Shall We Dance?** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 8:00, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 8:00; **Shark Tale** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (11:30, 12:15, 1:45, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (11:30, 12:15, 1:45, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00; **Taxi** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15, 4:00) 5:45, 6:30, 8:15, 9:00, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15, 4:00) 5:45, 6:30, 8:15, 9:00; **Team America: World Police** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45

RAMONA

Ramona Twin

626 Main Street (760-789-3422)

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SAN MARCOS

San Marcos 18

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Tatiana Timmins
Food Server
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My favorite movie is either *Legend* or *The NeverEnding Story*; I like fantasy. It's hard to say which one I like more; *Legend* has a really young Tom Cruise. I used to watch *The NeverEnding Story* over and over again; it reminds me of when I used to visit my grandparents as a little kid. Both of those movies were kind of scary when I was a little kid, but they're not scary anymore. As long as I'm not watching either movie by myself when it's dark outside, I won't get scared.



Kurt Francis
Manager
Clairemont

My favorite movie of all time has to be *Gone with the Wind*; it's a classic. I was about 16 the first time that I saw it on TV. I now own three different DVDs, a videotape, the board game, and other memorabilia. I read the book as well as the sequel book to *Gone with the Wind*. I'm a fan because the movie has the perfect amount of love intertwined with struggle, driven by passion. It made me want to visit the South, but never to live there. The amazing thing about visiting former plantation land is that it almost transports you back in time and you get that feeling for the history and the period. It's also hard to ignore the fact that both Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh were major actors of the time as well.



Chris Michels
Radio Station GM
College Area

I really enjoy Wes Anderson's movies. He directed *Bottle Rocket*, *Rushmore*, and *The Royal Tenenbaums*. I saw *Rushmore* so many times when it was in theaters. *Dr. Strangelove* also ranks up with one of my all-time favorite movies; I first saw it when I was 13, and I was into it. I'm a bit of a nerd because I'm a fan of film noir. I have to say that *Rushmore* has so many things about it: the cinematography, the relationship between Bill Murray and the character Max Fischer, and the plays that happen within the movie and then the whole movie ends up being a play at the end. If there's anyone who doesn't like it, there's something wrong with them.



Heather Caliri
Student
Encinitas

My favorite movie is *Shawshank Redemption*. I'm not that big a fan of Stephen King's horror stories, but his nonhorror fiction is okay. I think that *Shawshank Redemption* is a great movie, but at first I didn't want to see it; it looked too depressing. For a majority of the movie, it is depressing. At the end, the movie turns into a message about hope and beauty, and that's what really stayed with me. I own a copy of it, but I'm not the kind of person to watch a movie over and over again.



Mat Hodges
Bookstore Employee
Imperial Beach

Hands down, *The Big Lebowski* is one of the best movies of all time; it's wicked funny. There are so many great quotes from that movie because the dialogue is classic. In how many movies that you can name do they say, "The Chinaman is not the issue" or "You're not wrong, Walter, you're just an asshole." The fact that the main character writes a check in the beginning of the movie for, like, 76 cents hits close to home [because] I think I've written checks for less than that. The fact that I'm from Rhode Island means that I also have to give a shout out to the Farrelly brothers because a lot of their movies take place in or around Providence.



Rowland Goity
Student
Downtown

My favorite movie of all time is the Stanley Kubrick film *A Clockwork Orange*. I'm not a big fan of Kubrick, but there's something about *A Clockwork Orange* that's fascinated me since I was young. It's artistic, it's fun; there's a little bit of everything in it. The first time I saw it I was 15, and that's the age of the main character, so that might have had some influence over me. I was impressed by the cinematography and the story about brainwashing youth and having it backfire with the authorities needing to reverse the brainwashing at the end. To tell you the truth, I was intrigued by the violence and rebellion. A more recent movie that's been able to mix violence well with rebellion would be *Fight Club*.

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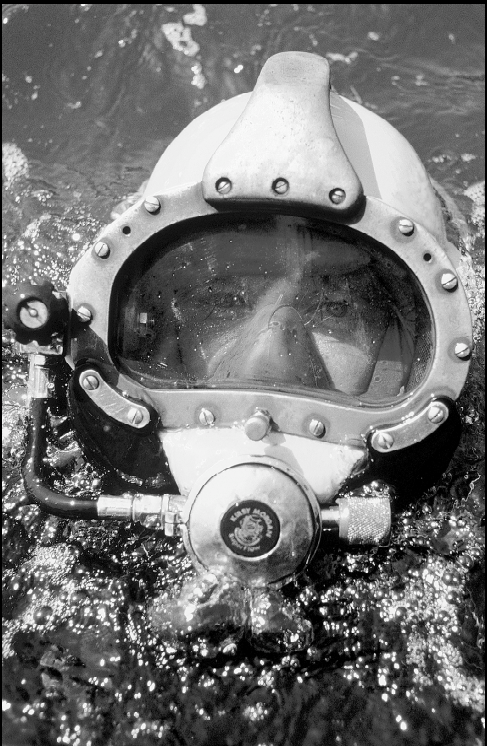
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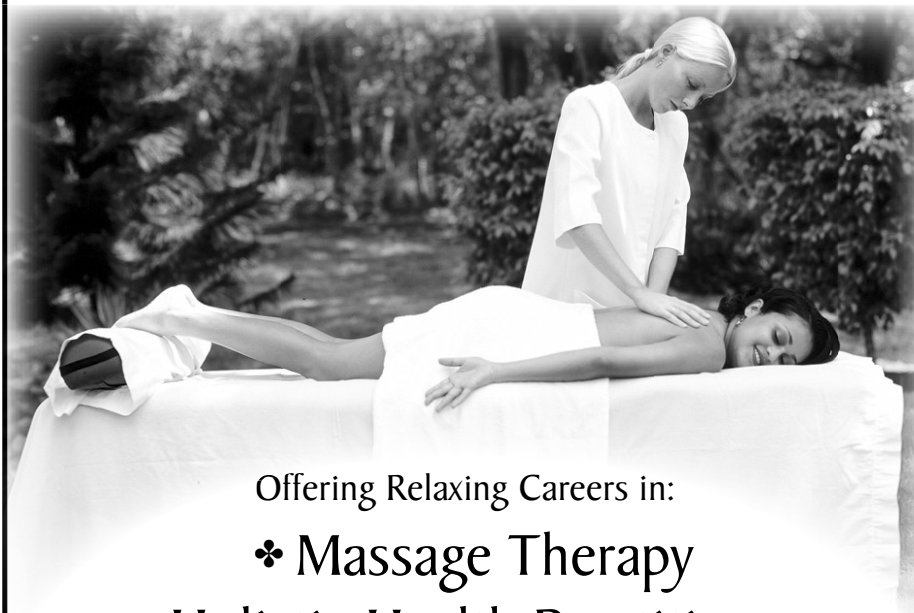
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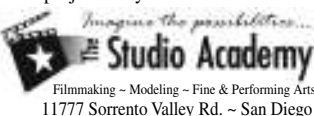
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6. Hanks roll
10. Q-P queue
14. "Battlestar Galactica" commander
15. Get a glimpse of
16. Digital music player from Apple
17. Standards
18. Fly high
19. Sheltered bay
20. Biblical traitor
23. Tie deciders: Abbr.
24. Lennon's love
25. Three before "Merry Christmas!"
28. CD-_____
29. Reclined
31. Part of F.Y.I.
32. "I think, therefore I am" writer
35. Singer/activist Joan
37. Smits who played with the Indiana Pacers
38. Dynamic start?
39. 1990s boxing champion
44. P.O. delivery
45. Sony competitor
46. "Wheel of Fortune" request
47. Words before showing off
49. Wrinkly pooch
50. Metric wts.
53. Lead character in a 1939 movie
57. "Que _____?"
59. "_____ you one"
60. Bits
61. Finished
62. Enduring mark that sometimes has to be pointed out (20-, 32-, 39- and 53-Across each have one)
63. Easily taken advantage of
64. Turner and Williams
65. First baseman Martinez
66. Joel and Jennifer of Hollywood

Down

1. Bluegrass instrument
2. 30-40, in tennis
3. Coats with fat
4. Lazarus or Goldman
5. Stylist Vidal
6. Painter's foundation
7. Sports org. based in Boulder, Colo.
8. NC-17 assigning gp.
9. Like some victories
10. Xerox competitor
11. Brit's refreshment
12. "Mazel _____!"
13. Ending with quiet

21. "Didn't think I had it _____"
22. Hebrides island
26. Many a gardener
27. Words of approximation
28. _____ Pahlavi, former shah
29. Bizet opera priestess
30. "_____ silly question ..."
32. Went over again, as a river
33. Comedian Carey
34. 1950s TV's "The Martha _____ Show"
35. _____ weevil
36. Memo phrase
40. "_____ Lama Ding Dong" (1961 hit)
41. Anne Frank, e.g.
42. High, in the Alps
43. Like many investigations
48. Old Chrysler models
49. Wing: Prefix
50. Couric in the morning
51. Turkey topper
52. Freelancer's supply: Abbr.
54. Venues
55. "Trainspotting" actor McGregor
56. Winter coating
57. Poker prize
58. Fifth or Park: Abbr.

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).
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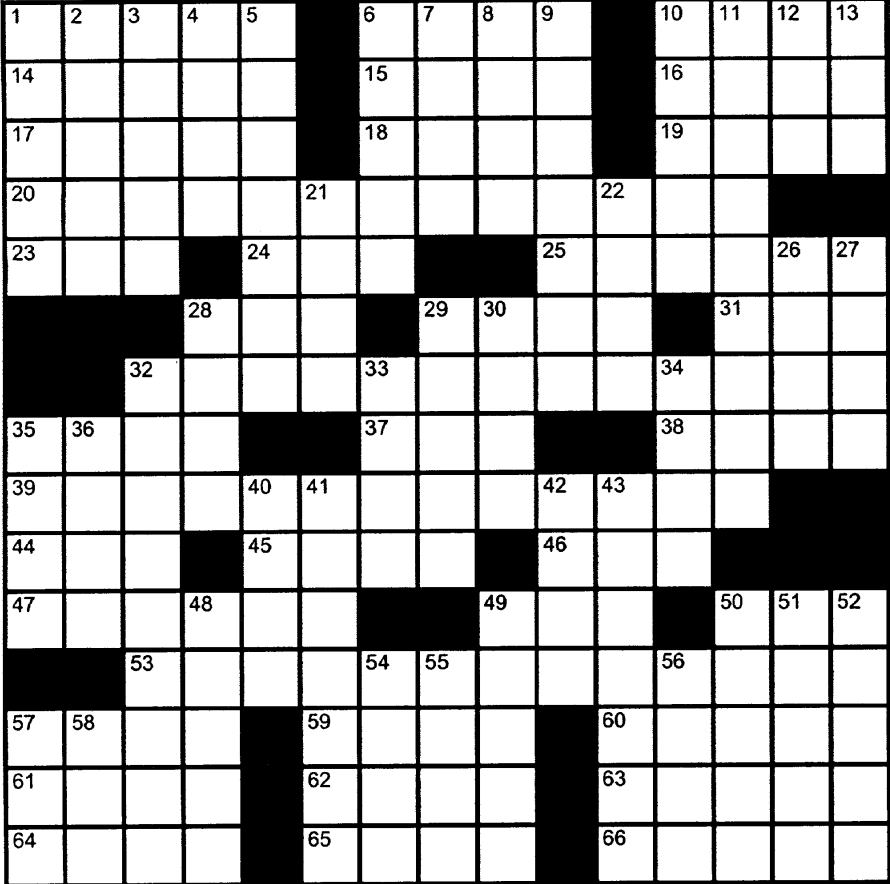
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Of the 89 entrants, 83 were correct. The winners are:

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2. Jack Rohrer, *San Diego*
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AA SUPPORT GROUP. Fairmount Park/City Heights/Azalea Park area. Tuesdays, 7pm, First Church of Brethren, 3850 Westgate Place, San Diego. Education Building. John. 619-295-2720.

AA, NA, 12-STEP RECOVERY and self-help books, tokens, cards and gifts. Cloud Nine Recovery, 260-1/2 Third Avenue, Chula Vista. 619-422-1865.

ADDICTION PROBLEMS? Women for Sobriety is a non-12 step self-help program meeting Monday, Wednesday, Saturday. www.womenforsobriety.org or 858-549-3533.

AFRICAN AMERICAN Genealogy West Coast Summit, October 15-16, Marina Village. ibemarti@aol.com or 619-262-5810.

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ATHEIST COALITION: "Civilization is built on a number of ultimate principles... respect for human life, the punishment of crimes against property and persons, the equality of all good citizens before the law... or, in a word, justice." Information, www.atheistcoalition.org or 858-459-8273.

BISEXUAL FORUM SAN DIEGO. Friendly group meets monthly 2nd Tuesday, 7:30pm for discussion, support. New location, The Center, 3909 Center Street, Hillcrest. 858-259-8019.

CATHOLIC COMRADES for single Catholics of all ages wishing to meet others who share the same beliefs and interests. Write to Catholic Comrades, PO Box 131555, Carlsbad 92013.

CATHOLIC TRADITIONAL Latin Mass is held in Escondido at 4pm, the 2nd and 4th, and 5th Sundays of the month. Information, 760-931-1260 or 858-451-6417.

CONCERNED UNITED Birthparents welcomes birthparents, adoptees, and adoptive parents to our monthly support group meetings. Visit our website, www.CUBirthparents.org or call CUB, 619-685-7673.

COUNCIL NATIVE PROGRESS Incorporated (nonprofit) seeks donated recording studio time, mastering, copying compact disc. Free bass, guitar lessons for troubled teens, at-risk youth. 619-528-0907.

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DIVORCING/SEPARATING? Get guidance/support during your emotional adjustment. Group meets Friday, 6:30-8pm in Allied Gardens off Waring Road. Divorce Anonymous, 619-442-1550.

ENERGY FIELD CLEANSING! Every Tuesday, 7-9pm, 2141 El Camino Real, Oceanside. Energy field cleansing and chakra balancing. Earth and Sky Church, 760-631-7900.

EVENING WITH Stanton Peele, PhD, JD, Wednesday, 10/20/04, 6-7:30pm at Alliant University in the Green Hall. Join us for a discussion with one of the world's foremost authorities on addiction. Dr. Peele's books include "7 Tools to Beat Addiction." Free.

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FREE SEMINAR. Traditional Chinese medicine and your health. Questions and answers. Dr. Helen Hu, Dr. Theresa Baxter. October 21, 6:30-8:30pm. Point Loma Community Center, 3051 Cannon Street, San Diego 92106.

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PATHWORK DISCUSSION: "The Power of the Word." October 21, 7-9pm. 1228-1/2 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar 92014. Open meeting, no fee, materials available. Information, 858-259-1880.

PATHWORK discussion. "Dualities." October 25, 7-9pm, 4716 32nd Street, San Diego 92116. Open meeting, no fee, materials available. 619-280-9075.

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MATCHES

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SLIM, ORIENTAL, 50s, sincere, fun. Seeking friendship/companionship, possibly more with personable, stable, emotionally healthy, financially sound, liberal-minded, witty, 60-70, Caucasian. Movies, travel, dancing. (10/27) **30480**

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BLACK WOMAN DESIRES black man, 30-48. I don't want what you have material wise. What I want there is no price. Try me. (10/20) **30471**

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BLOND, RADIANT, BLUE eyed, European, striking, attractive, sexy, romantic lady. Seeking tall, good-looking, upbeat, accomplished, carino soul mate to enjoy life to the fullest, 44-52. (10/20) **30468**

DARK HAired BEAUTY, fit, attractive, petite. Seeking fit male, like outdoor activities, travel, adventures, spirited, upbeat, 50s, emotionally and financially secure, healthy lifestyle, nonsmoker. (10/27) **30475**

EUROPEAN, ATTRACTIVE, blonde, 5'7", 132lbs., educated, down to earth, well traveled. Seeking handsome gentleman, professional, who enjoys life, loves travel abroad. Nonsmoker, 45-55. (10/27) **30481**

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TALL, SEXY, DEGREED, classy, black beauty with a killer smile. Seeking a 62 or taller, attractive, intelligent male, age 36-46, race not important, serious minded. (10/27) **30477**

NICE, EASYGOING LADY, 58, looking for East County gentleman for walking, movies, dinner, talking, laughing, sharing. Must be kind, loving, easygoing, loves to travel, honest. (10/20) **30444**

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4. To provide online viewers of your ad with a map of your neighborhood, we need cross-streets and zip code:

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CHULA VISTA. \$675. 2 bedroom, 2 bath house. Fenced yard, washer/dryer. Secure, spacious. Utilities included. Nonsmoker. Pets welcome. Freeway access, off-street parking. 760-484-2474.

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MIRA MESA. \$575, includes utilities. Nice neighborhood. Nice house. Common kitchen, bath, living room. Laundry on site. No smoking/pets. Newly renovated. 858-578-8210 or 858-722-7810.

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MIRA MESA. \$500. Female. Single room, large house. Includes all utilities plus cable TV. Washer/dryer, community pool. No pets, smoking, etc. 858-271-1035; 619-235-2415, x11558.

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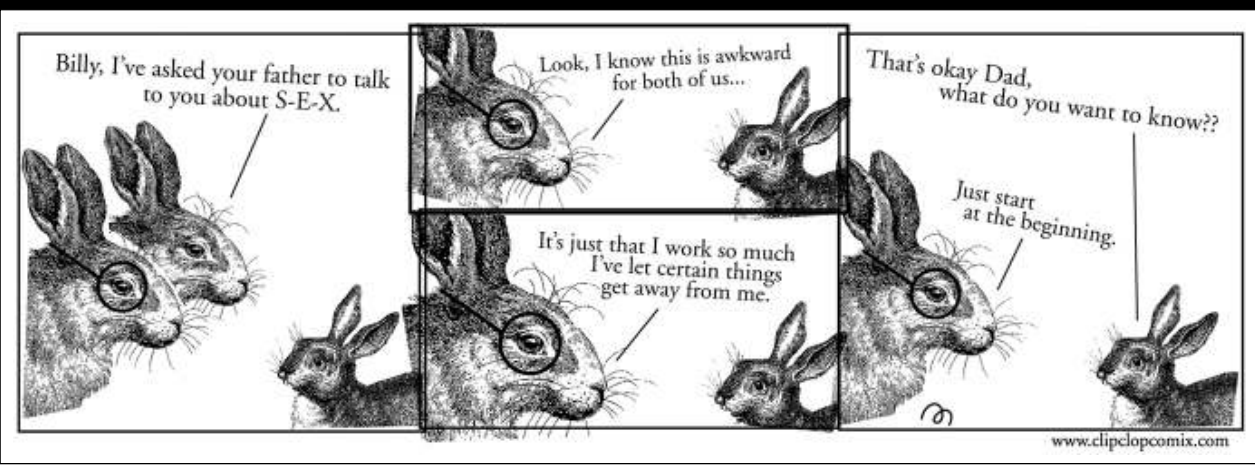
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MISSION VALLEY. La Mirage. \$775. Luxury condo. Washer/dryer, jacuzzi, tennis, basketball, volleyball courts. Full gym. Poolside view. Secure parking, near trolley, 24-Hour Fitness, shopping, SDSU. 619-584-1248.

NATIONAL CITY. \$500-\$600, utilities included. 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2-year old home. Near freeways. Male or female. 619-454-1520.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$600/month, \$400 deposit, utilities included. Share nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo in quiet, gated complex. Pool, jacuzzi, laundry, garage parking. 858-229-0773.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$550, \$300 deposit, 1/2 utilities. Awesome city lights view. Roommate to share condo in quiet gated complex. Pool, jacuzzi, laundry, private bath, parking. 619-851-0971.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$375. Share bath, home and utilities. Have dogs. 1 block to bus. Close to SDSU. Credit check and references. 858-549-3102; 619-235-2415, x25485.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$850, \$500 deposit. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. North of Adams. Female only. Plenty parking. Washer/dryer. Yard. Available now. Sandra, 619-823-4556.

NORTH PARK. Nice, furnished room in house. Quiet, near all. No pets, drugs. \$475 rent, \$475 deposit, \$30 utilities. Nonsmoker. Coin laundry. 619-281-7880, 619-948-1476.

NORTH PARK. \$512/month, \$400 deposit. May negotiate rent. 5 month lease. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment with parking, laundry, patio, cat OK. 858-603-1063.

NORTH PARK. \$500, includes water. Great neighborhood, covered parking. Share bathroom with 1 male. No pets, drugs. Available 11/1. 619-269-7961.

NORTH PARK. \$400, \$250 deposit, 1/2 utilities. Spacious room, large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Great location. Quiet area, no pets/smoking. Available 10/12. 619-602-1874.

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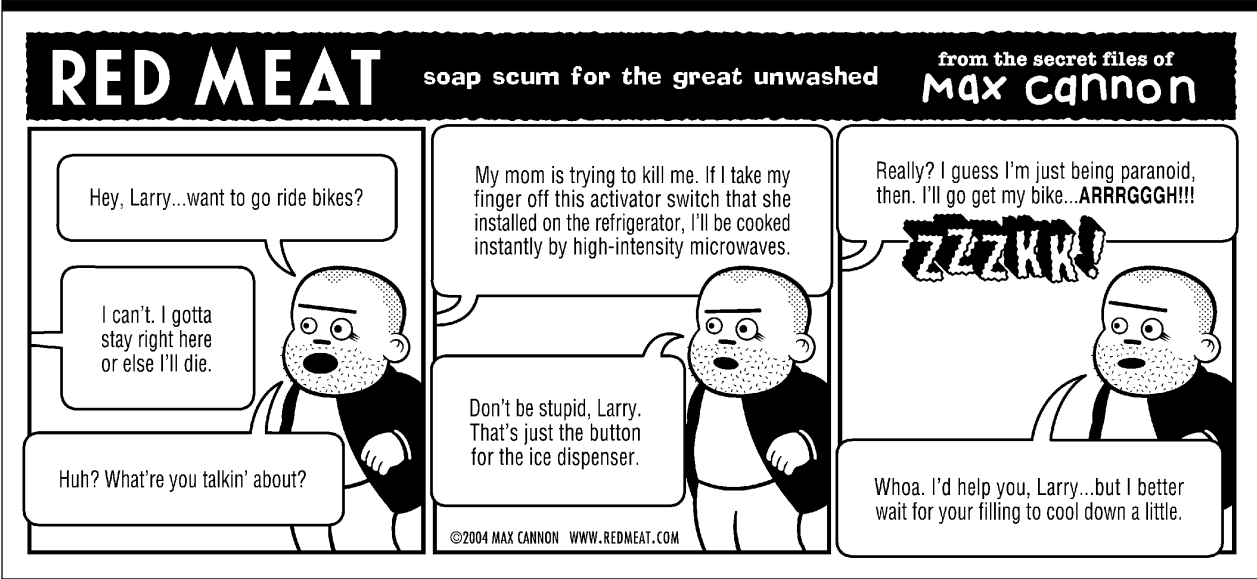
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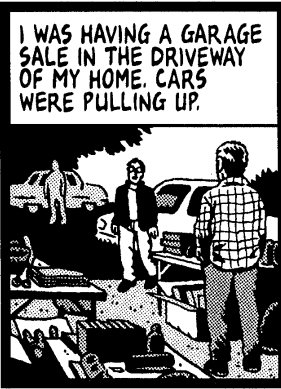
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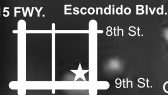
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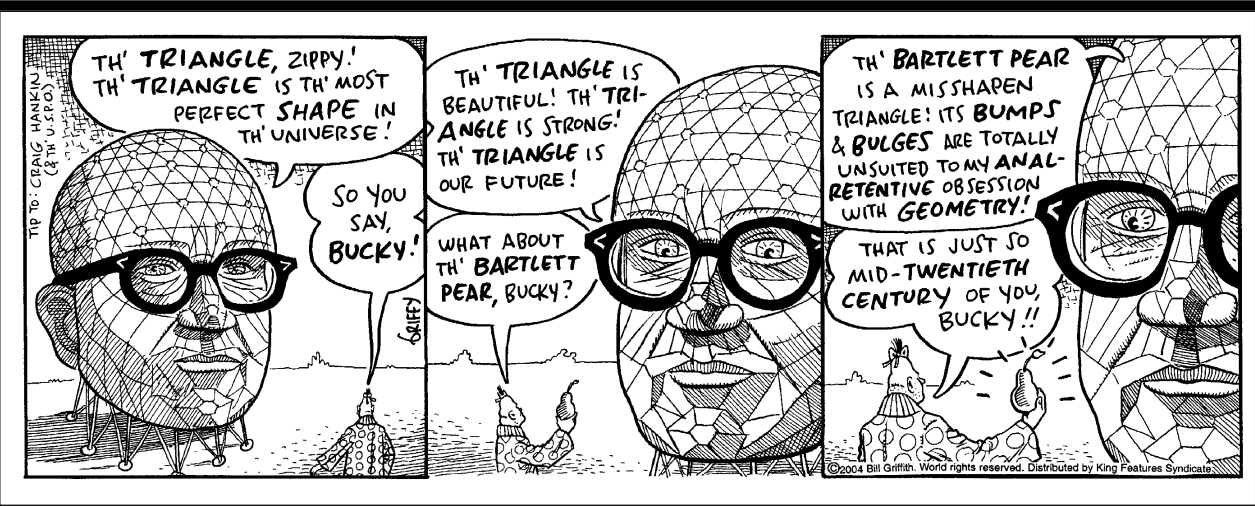
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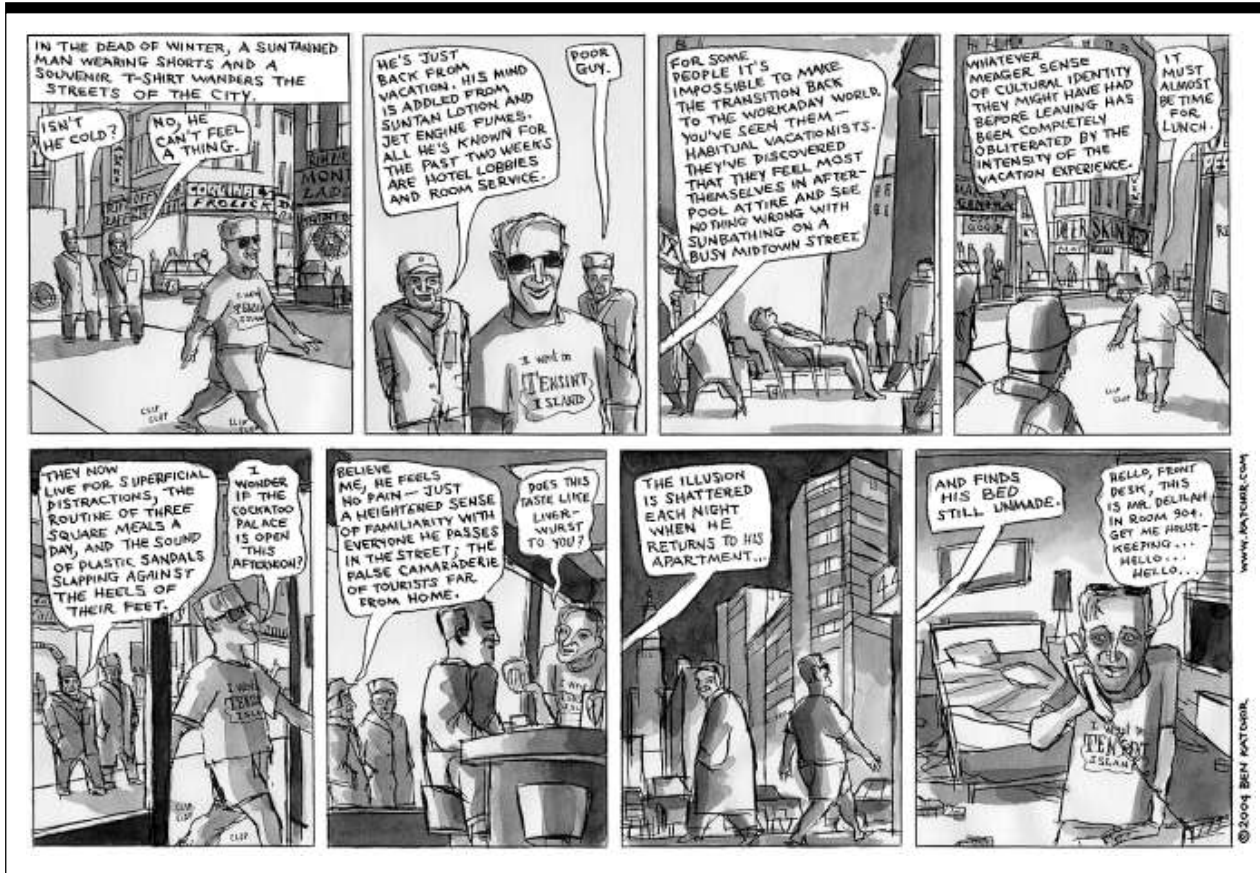
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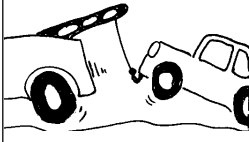
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HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. Willshire on the Park condo. 1950 Upas Street. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 1200 square feet. \$1800/month. Available November 1. 619-977-5912. wchristian41@cox.net.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath plus huge loft. Washer/dryer, hardwood floors, tons of storage. Landscaped, patio with fountain. Garage available. Call 619-218-1099.

HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS. \$1300. 2 bedroom, charming, quiet, secure duplex. Large enclosed patio, fireplace, laundry room, parking. Open daily, 9am-8pm, 1771 Torrance Street. 619-316-3127.

HILLCREST/NORTH PARK. 1 bedroom Craftsman style duplex. \$950. Great view. 2-car garage with washer/dryer hookup available. Will consider pet. 619-347-3805 or 619-322-2478.

HILLCREST/UPDOWN DISTRICT. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Updated appliances, very quiet, off-street parking and laundry. 3630 Georgia. Cogan Properties, 619-283-2144.

HILLCREST/UPDOWN DISTRICT. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 2 parking spaces. Garage. New carpet/paint. Washer/dryer.

Refrigerator. Air conditioning. Pool. Work-out room. Security gated. \$1700. Available 10/23/04. 619-421-5268.

HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$1250. All utilities paid, not cable. Small pet OK. Parking in alley. 4216 Florida Street, rear apartment. 619-299-6424.

IMPERIAL BEACH. Pricing starts at \$1195. 2, 3 bedroom townhomes. Best value and location! Low deposits! Private patios, storage. 2 pools. Covered carports, storage. Fitness center. 2 blocks to beach! Pets welcome! Near award-winning schools. Sports park nearby. Imperial Beach Gardens, 319 Imperial Beach Boulevard. 866-509-6750. www.sreader.com/rent/2105.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$895. Utilities included! Studio with large fenced yard/garden. 2 blocks to beach. Recently renovated. Mini-loft, large kitchen, laundry. 227#B Elm. Agent, 619-423-9632.

IMPERIAL BEACH. 2 bedroom townhouses and ground floor units available. Steps to beach! Ocean and mountain views, fireplace, community pool. \$1295-\$1575. Agent, Bill, 619-575-1674.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1800. Unfurnished or furnished immaculate condo on the beach. Great views! 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Storage, carport. Credit check required. 619-669-3810; 619-997-8338.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$925. Large, bright 2 bedroom, 1 bath, with balcony in small, pleasant complex, gated, off-street parking, barbecue, laundry, beautiful landscaping. Available 11/13. 858-279-1044.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1275. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo with garage, upstairs unit. Newly converted, newer appliances and fixtures, granite countertops, dishwasher, large balcony. 736 Cherry Avenue. Call Anna-Marie, 619-840-MOVE (6683).

IMPERIAL BEACH. 1/2 block from beach. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 1100 square feet, 1 parking space, 2nd story unit. \$1250/month, \$1000 deposit. No pets. Available 11/1. 152 Evergreen #3. Call Anna-Marie, 619-840-MOVE (6683).

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$995. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large living room, stove, refrigerator, patio, deck, garage, off-street parking laundry facilities. 3 minutes from beach. 858-637-9021.

IMPERIAL BEACH. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment in nice complex, washer/dryer hookups, walk-in closets, dishwasher, underground parking. \$995 for unit with 2 master bedrooms. \$975 for regular 2/2. 1070 Georgia Street. 619-429-3630.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$1450. Large 2 story, 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house with double garage. Cat O.K. Trash paid. 1011 13th Street. Imperial Beach CA 91932. 619-284-3324.

IMPERIAL BEACH. All new 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo, close to beach, secured underground parking, dishwasher, stainless appliances. \$1400. 263 Dahlia Avenue. 619-820-0003.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$925. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, end of the Strand, spacious, treetop apartment. Garage available. Small complex, laundry, new paint/carpet. 809 9th Street. 619-429-0498.

IMPERIAL BEACH. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Hardwood floors, peaceful quiet, large garden. Includes water and trash. Available now. 619-250-4153.

KEARNY MESA. 1 bedroom apartments. From \$825/month. New carpet, balcony, dishwasher, air conditioner. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. Ask about move in special! 858-603-2594.

KEARNY MESA. \$999/best offer. Office with living space. 1 bedroom, 1.5 bath (3 rooms). Kitchen. Separate shower. Parking. Quiet. Internet ready. 3 freeways. 858-576-2273, 858-576-2022.

KENSINGTON. 3 bedroom, 1 bath Spanish home. Hardwood floors. Built-in laundry room. Large kitchen with breakfast nook. Near village. 4774 Edgeware Road. \$1795. Broker, 619-683-9274.

KENSINGTON. \$1100. 1 bedroom house, 850 square feet, wood floors, washer/dryer, stove, refrigerator and air conditioning. Nonsmoking. Available now. 4617 Kensington Drive #1. Call 619-280-1800.

KENSINGTON. \$825. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment with new carpet/vinyl/paint! Parking and laundry! No pets! 4344 Van Dyke Street #8. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

KENSINGTON. \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house. Gated community. Pool, jacuzzi, attached garage, all appliances, 3 minutes to I-15, I-805. 619-994-8705.

KENSINGTON. \$1150. Spacious upstairs 2 bedroom, 2 bath. On-site laundry. All amenities. Security building. 2-car garage available. No pets. Centrally located. Quiet area. Call 858-456-2098.

LA COSTA. Carlsbad. \$2800. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 house. View. 2-car garage. Washer/dryer. Pool. Spa. Yard. Marea at Aviara. Available now. Monarch Properties, 858-344-1827.

LA COSTA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Patio, pool and spa, also has washer and dryer in unit. \$1250. No pets! Nice, quiet complex. Lease required. 760-944-6201. www.utopiamanagement.com.

LA COSTA. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse with off-street parking, fenced back patio. 2950-H La Costa Avenue. Leasing Unlimited, 760-436-7273.

LA COSTA. Panoramic golf-course view! 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome on La Costa Spa and Resort. Great patio, all appliances. Going fast! \$1695. 619-886-2782.

LA COSTA/CARLSBAD. \$2200. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath and loft, beautiful canyon/ocean view, detached house, 2-car garage. Upstairs laundry, kitchen island. Master has deck, view, double sinks, walk-in closet. No pets/smoking. 760-930-1918.

LA COSTA/CARLSBAD. \$1275. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in beautiful view complex above golf course. Washer/dryer in unit, central air, fireplace. Pool/spa. No pets. 2385 Caringa Way. Office open 7 days. 760-431-7575.

LA COSTA/CARLSBAD. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 2 bath in beautiful view complex above golf course. Washer/dryer in unit, central air, fireplace. Pool/spa. No pets. 2385 Caringa Way. Office open 7 days. 760-431-7575.

LA COSTA/SAN MARCOS. Newer San Elijo Hills townhome. 2 bedroom plus office, 2-1/4 bath, 2-car garage. Ocean view, fireplace, pool/spa. \$1595. 619-992-7263.

LA COSTA/SAN ELIJO HILLS. \$1700. 2 bedroom and large loft, new carpet, washer/dryer, 2-car garage, new appliances, new tile, 4 month old home, must see. 858-597-6100 x321.

LA JOLLA COLONY. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath condo. Two car garage. New carpet, paint and appliances. Canyon view. Beautiful, quiet neighborhood. \$2400/month. Call 858-245-5217.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE SQUARE. \$1950. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Upstairs. Near shopping. Good condition. Pool. Garage. Washer/dryer. Year lease. Available now. 858-454-0260.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. \$1995. 7757 Eads Avenue. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Must see! Quiet, washer/dryer, 2 car garage, 1 block from Prospect. 858-597-6100 x321, and 619-818-1188.

LA JOLLA VILLAGE. Charming 1 bedroom studios from \$925. Nice community, pool, laundry, elevator. Walk to La Jolla Cove, dining and shops, nightlife. No pets. 7621 Eads Avenue; 858-459-8254. www.casalindaapartments.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1400. 2 bedroom. \$300 off! Walk to UCSD, shops. Balcony. Garden window. No pets. Available 10/25. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive #11. 858-457-4509.

LA JOLLA. \$1595/month. Completely furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Lease. Patio. Fireplace. Parking. Laundry. Block to Windansea. No pets. 858-459-8943.

LA JOLLA. Starting at \$981 and \$1366. 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Pool. Spa. Laundry room. Sauna. Fitness center. Barbecue area. Covered parking. 3 blocks to UTC. Open 9am-5pm, Monday-Saturday, 11am-4pm. La Jolla Canyon Apartments, 9515 Genesee. www.sreader.com/rent/2006 or call 858-452-3620.

LA JOLLA. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Excellent condition. New paint/carpet. Quiet. Pool. Spa. Parking space. Available now. No pets. Year lease. 858-454-0260.

LA JOLLA. Studio, \$975. Quiet, minutes to the beach, on-site laundry, parking, no pets. 396 Kolmar #4. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath furnished condo. On-site laundry. Steps to Prospect and beach. \$2150. Security building. No pets. 1-year lease required. 858-459-0374, 858-472-0565.

LA JOLLA. Autumn deals! Large studio and 1 bedroom, \$1069/up, half-block to surf. Tropical! Laundry, pool. Call 858-536-1900.

LA JOLLA. UTC. \$2195. 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 car garage. 1800 square feet. Avanti/La Jolla Renaissance. Great condition! 619-220-8317.

LA JOLLA. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Close to beach. Laundry facilities, parking. No pets. Call Mark, agent, 800-506-6110. agentmd@hotmail.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1800. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, upper level end unit with 2-car garage in La Jolla Terrace. Washer/dryer included. Walk to UCSD. duddleston@cox.net. 949-240-6204.

LA JOLLA. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath. Upstairs duplex. Walk to beach. 2 parking spaces. Quiet. \$1375. 618-B Nautilus Street. Call Sam, evenings, 858-456-0542.

LA JOLLA. \$1295. Spectacular 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment home with hardwood floors, lush landscaping, courtyard, laundry and more. Just steps to Windansea Beach. 356 Palomar. 858-270-5500 x15.

LA JOLLA. \$3500. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. 2-car garage. Fireplace. Near beach. Backyard with deck. 7921 Princess. Pets negotiable. Boone Properties, 858-274-6856. www.booneproperties.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1795. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Ocean view, walk to Windansea. Upstairs, balcony, must see! 356 Playa Del Norte. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

LA JOLLA. \$2400. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo available 10/15. Fireplace, patio, parking. 1 block to beach. All appliances including washer/dryer. 404 Bonair Street. Orion Property Group, 619-749-6545.

LA JOLLA. Premier beach community with all the perks. Enjoy the sparkling pools and hot tub or walk to the beach! 1 bedrooms from \$1650. 2 bedrooms from \$1990. Stunning penthouse at \$2250. No pets. Call 619-980-9500. www.thejohncollinscompany.com.

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LA JOLLA. \$1850. 2 bedroom lower duplex. Wood floors. 1 block to beach. Windansea. Share 2-car garage. Available now. John A. Reis and Company, Inc., 858-272-1348.

LA JOLLA. \$2600. Bird Rock. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Charming house. 5540 La Jolla Hermosa. Wood floors. New kitchen. Fireplace. Fenced yard. Gardener. No pets. Available now. Agent, 858-270-7071.

LA JOLLA. \$1995. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath plus study. 1 block to Windansea Beach. No pets. 324 Rosemont. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

LA JOLLA. Beautiful fully furnished, secure, quiet, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage, Mt. Soledad home, glass enclosed garden and pool with panoramic ocean view. Rent includes gardener, pool service. No pets! Call Margie, 858-459-3010 or e-mail ComCntr1@aol.com.

LA JOLLA. \$1595. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Detached unit in 2 unit property. Stove, refrigerator, laundry hook-ups, parking, fenced yard. Close to Windansea, ask about pet. 6639 Tyrian. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker, www.delsolpm.com.

LA JOLLA. \$348 Caminito Vasto, off Gilman Drive. 3 bedroom. 2-1/2 bath. Fireplace, double garage, patio, pool, 1400 square feet. \$1995/month. Available now. Blane Realty, 858-274-3737; evenings, 858-274-6254.

LA JOLLA. \$1700. 2 bedrooms. 1 bathroom, community pool/spa, 1 car garage, patio, balcony, full kitchen, water and trash included. Agent, 619-471-1755, www.century21award.com.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$1400. Large 1 bedroom ground floor unit in quiet neighborhood. One block from ocean. No pets. 858-229-2100.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$1425. 2 bedroom, 1 bath ground floor apartment. Close to beach. Private patio. Coin laundry. Parking. No pets. 6043 La Jolla Hermosa. kandrproperties.com. 858-490-1600.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$3000. 4 bedroom, 2 bath. One block to beach. Hardwood floors, washer/dryer, front/back yard, cottage-style house. Available now. 619-865-8327.

LA JOLLA/BIRD ROCK. \$900. 1 bedroom. Small, charming unit. Appliances. Coin laundry. Shared courtyard. Cat OK with additional \$300 deposit. Available 10/15. 415 Colima. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker, www.delsolpm.com.

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LA JOLLA/UTC. Construction special, 1 month free! Brand new Mediterranean style community. Studios, 1, 2, 3 bedrooms from \$1175. Private patios/balconies. Modern appliances. Full-size washer/dryer. Cable/Internet. Fitness center. Racquetball. Aerobics. Spacious pools. Hot tubs. Subterranean parking. La Jolla Crossroads, 9085 Judicial Drive. 1-866-829-8271. www.sreader.com/rent/1212.

LA JOLLA/UTC. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. \$2275. Garage, patio, washer/dryer, white and bright. Close to UCSD, freeways, shopping, entertainment. Elena, 858-449-1915.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer included. Close to UCSD/shopping. Pool, jacuzzi, other amenities. Cat OK. Secure parking. 858-794-8125.

LA JOLLA/UTC. Beautiful new rental. 2 master suites, 2 baths. Fireplace. Garage. Quiet top floor end unit. View. Remodeled. Amenities galore. Near highways and UCSD. \$1900. 858-449-2271.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 1200 square feet, new carpet, French doors, fireplace, balcony, refrigerator, washer/dryer in unit. Pool, spa, tennis. Agent, 619-884-4266.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1900. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bathroom townhouse. New kitchen, bath, paint, hardwood floors, close to all. Small pets OK. 858-775-8864.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2300. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome. New carpet, remodeled kitchen. Garage, patio, fireplace. All appliances. No pets. Eric, 858-342-6262, eric@eperson.com.

LA JOLLA/UTC. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. 2-car garage. Large patio. Fireplace. Appliances. 5 minutes to UCSD. Close to all. Luxury complex Southpointe. 8273 Via Mallorca. \$2100. Agent, 858-337-1791.

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LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1750. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath townhome. Fresh paint, light and bright. All appliances, carport, pool/spa. Agent, 1-800-818-4595 or 760-787-9903.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$2100. House. 3 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, large master, dual sinks, oval tub, walk-in closet, vaulted living room, fireplace, central air, new carpet/paint, laundry room-excellent washer/dryer, spacious 2-car garage, private patio. Barcelona community pool and spa, guest parking. No smoking/pets. Available immediately. 3943 Caminito Amparo. Manager, 619-686-5325.

LA JOLLA/UTC. \$1495. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer. Fireplace. Private balcony. Pool, tennis courts, club room. 8870 Villa La Jolla Drive #302. 619-291-5555 x193. www.utopiamanagement.com.

LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$1350. Pool. Security parking. Laundry. No pets. Steps to beach. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-775-0386, 858-395-9942.

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LA MESA. \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath guest house on secluded, private cul-de-sac. Fenced, gated, trees, marble floors, wood stove. Available now. 619-698-3262.

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LA MESA. \$925-\$945/month. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$700 security, water included. Pool, parking, new ownership. 7629 Normal Avenue. 858-245-9747.

LA MESA. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath new remodel, fireplace, washer/dryer, alarm,

no garage. No section 8/pets. 7231 El Cajon Boulevard. 619-300-8550.

LA MESA. \$730. studio. \$860. 1 bedroom. \$1050, 2 bedroom. Low deposits. Carport space, storage. Laundry. Pool. Gated. No pets. 5365 Marengo Avenue. 619-698-7926.

LA MESA. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Great views! Cable, water, trash and SDG&E paid. Cats considered. American Heritage Properties, 858-695-9400.

LA MESA. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo upstairs. Berber carpet, central laundry, stove, refrigerator. Pool, tennis. No pets/smoking. 5700 Baltimore #103. MTM, 619-464-6444.

LA MESA. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse, 1100 square feet, appliances, Overlooks pond. Pool, spa, laundry. Walk to Lake Murray. No pets. 5700 Baltimore #219. MTM, 619-464-6444.

LA MESA. \$1200. Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Downstairs, large patio, shared yard, storage, laundry hook-ups. Cat OK. 8428 Sunrise Avenue. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

LA MESA. \$100+ move-in special. Beautiful complex! Huge 2 bedroom, 2 bath luxury apartment for \$995. \$500 deposit. Upgraded units with pool, dishwasher, gated, air conditioning, laundry

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LA MESA. 2 bedroom, luxury apartments, fireplace, laundry hookups, patio/balcony, pool, spa, gated/covered parking. 5519 Lake Murray Boulevard. For pricing, 619-698-7600.

LA MESA. 2 cute houses available late October. Both 2 bedroom. Different amenities. Close to Downtown La Mesa, Palm and Tulare. For details call 1-877-968-7787.

LA MESA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath house, remodeled, hardwood floors, fenced, washer/dryer. Quiet, close to parks. Gardener. Pet OK. Available November. \$1750. 760-805-2213.

LA MESA. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. 2-car garage. Stainless steel appliances, washer/dryer, storage. Good size back yard. Will consider pets. 619-741-6277.

LA MESA. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. \$1375. Upscale area. Near all. 1100 square feet. Fenced yard. Pool. Air conditioning, microwave. No dogs. 619-464-5557.

LA MESA. 3974-1/2 Violet Street. 1 bedroom, 1 bath house washer/dryer and large yard. \$950, water, trash and gardening included. Small pets OK. 619-670-5742.

LA MESA. A meticulously cared-for community with lots of extras. 1 bedroom at \$895, 2 bedroom at \$1195. No pets. Call 619-884-7900. www.thejohncollinscompany.com.

LA MESA. Beautiful, peaceful La Mesa location. 1 bedroom, \$895/up. Ask about move-in special! Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Laundry. Gym. Patio or balcony. Covered parking. Clubhouse, pool, spa, sauna. VillaSangriaApts@att.net. Villa Sangria Apartments. 8633 La Mesa Boulevard. www.sdreader.com/rent/1002. 619-462-1633.

LA MESA. Large 1 bedrooms with garages from \$865. All upper units, air conditioning, tile/carpet, on-site laundry. 4755-4757 Jessie Avenue. 619-460-8011.

LA MESA. Lush gardens, sparkling pool, cathedral ceilings are just a few of the amenities in this newly refurbished community. 1 bedrooms at \$995. No pets. 619-464-8985. www.thejohncollinscompany.com.

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LA MESA. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome, remodeled kitchen, central heating/air, laundry, private gated yard, near Grossmont/trolley/freeways. Pet? \$1295. 619-341-4822; 949-636-2329.

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LA MESA. Spacious 1 and 2 bedroom, air-conditioned apartment homes. Close to lovely parks and shopping centers. Enjoy quality, comfort and convenience at a price you can afford at Vista Amaya. Call us now at 619-697-3285. For photo, floor plans, map and directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/rent/1035.

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LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA. \$1200. Mint upper 2 bedroom, 2 bath, over 1054 square feet. Small complex. Pool, recreation room. 6927 Amherst #11. www.TheEquityCompany.com. 619-528-2337.

LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA. \$1800. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Great view. Pool. All appliances included. Reserved parking. Walk to Alvarado Hospital, trolley stop. SDSU 1 mile. Brand new condo. 949-233-0767 or tania6@cox.net.

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LAKE SAN MARCOS condo. Huge 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1440 square feet. End unit with patio and garage. Golf, tennis, boating and clubhouse available. \$1650/month. 1051 Lanza Court. 858-259-2758.

LAKESIDE. 2 bedroom. New carpet, laundry hookups, private back patio. Cat ok. Available now. \$900, plus security deposit. 12636 Julian Avenue. 480-232-1398.

LAKESIDE. Eucalyptus Hills! Panoramic view. Pets welcome. On 2 acres for horses, motorbikes, etc. Newly remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. 2-car garage. Includes stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer hookups. \$1795. For more information, 619-334-4775.

LAKESIDE. Large mobile homes. 2 bedroom, 1 and 2 bath, single/double, 2 parking, shed. \$850-\$1025. No pets. 619-390-0832.

LAKESIDE. \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with parking. 800 square feet. 619-847-6141.

LAKESIDE. 5 bedroom, 3 bath, 2500 square feet, built 1985. French doors, deck with 180-degree view. Jacuzzi tub, oak kitchen wet bar, laundry room, garage, workshop, quiet location. \$2100. 619-445-4164.

LAKESIDE. Studio, \$670. New appliances, paint, carpet and custom verticals. Full kitchen, ceiling fans, air conditioner. Nice neighborhood near I-67, bus, stores. No smoking. 619-390-9427.

LAKESIDE. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, new paint, carpet, flooring, laundry, pool, spa, carport, patio, pets negotiable. 9737 Wintergardens #23, 92040. 619-698-6911.

LAKESIDE. \$850, move-in special! Cute 1 bedroom apartment in historic courtyard property. Washer/dryer, air conditioning, off-street parking, optional garage. Pets considered. Section 8 OK. Studio, available, \$710. 858-509-9951.

LAKESIDE. \$1800 plus deposit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 1880 square feet. Great view. Very private. Completely custom remodeled. Must see. No pets. Available 10/15. 619-322-3331.

LEMON GROVE. \$750/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled, new paint, carpet, linoleum, blinds. Appliances. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 619-280-2658.

LEMON GROVE. \$1950. 4 bedroom, 2 bath house with pool for rent. 3277 Massachusetts Avenue. 619-750-1122.

LEMON GROVE/ENCANTO. \$850. Newly renovated 2 bedroom, apartment in charming 6-unit complex. Enclosed courtyard, parking, close to trolley. 561 61st Street. 619-203-4270.

LEUCADIA. \$1475. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment with balcony. Split level. Parking and garage, laundry facilities, short walk to beach. 1717 Vulcan Avenue. 760-632-6330.

LEUCADIA. \$2100. Townhouse at beach. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace, hardwood floors, patio, washer/dryer, double car garage. Gated. Lushly landscaped. Lots of privacy. 619-424-7149.

LEUCADIA. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace, double garage. Ocean view. Freeway close. Fenced yard with gardener. 858-735-3538.

LINDA VISTA/USD. Relaxing bay view from living room and balcony on this completely remodeled condo with elegant hardwood floors, fireplace, attached garage plus carport for second car. \$2000/month. 619-226-2187; visit www.geocities.com/caminitoluisito6278.

LINDA VISTA. 2 bedroom, 1 bath townhouse, \$950. Great location, assigned parking, private backyards. Deposit same as rent. No pets. 2451 Ulric Street. Move-in special! Call for an appointment. 858-278-3610.

LINDA VISTA. \$650, studio, utilities included. Laundry, gated parking. \$400 deposit. No pets. 2285 Ulric Street. Call Monday-Friday for appointment. 858-277-4213.

LINDA VISTA. \$1500. Close to USD. 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Newer kitchen, baths, heating, hardwood floors, laundry closet, large yard, storage shed. Gardener and water paid. 619-461-1564.

LINDA VISTA. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 parking spaces. Skylight, vaulted ceiling. Pet? 8024 Linda Vista Road. 858-354-3535. archerka@yahoo.com.

LINDA VISTA. \$1000, 2 bedroom, 1.25 bath. \$865, 1 bedroom with view, upper unit, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 858-597-6100 x322.

LINDA VISTA. \$1225. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment in triplex. Laundry room, parking. Available now! 1333 Brunner Street. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

LINDA VISTA. \$1275. 3 bedroom, 1 bath duplex! Move in special! Convenient location! Small yard, section 8 OK. No smoking/pets. 2288 Comstock. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

LINDA VISTA. Genesee Summit. Secluded, private. Starting at \$995-\$1295, 2 and 3 bedroom apartments. Refrigerator, dishwasher, garbage disposal and gas stove. Patio. Air conditioning. Laundry hookups. Central location, near all. No dogs. 2219 Judson Street. 858-576-0420. www.fliot.com.

LINDA VISTA. 5663 Mildred Street #B. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet, newly remodeled. Close to USD. \$825, \$500 deposit. 619-584-5900.

LITTLE ITALY. \$795. Downstairs corner apartment. Patio. New carpet, Spacious kitchen. Lots of windows. Close to bus line. Laundry. 2438 India Street. Xlarent.com, 619-683-7638.

LITTLE ITALY. \$2200. Cool condo in Village Walk, 1501 India Street. Two master bedrooms, 2.5 baths, granite countertops and upgrades throughout. Washer/dryer, balcony, gym, secured parking. Within walking distance to restaurants, shops and bay. 619-239-2901.

LITTLE ITALY. \$1950. Village Walk. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Wood floors, sound surround, washer, dryer, 2 parking spaces, balcony. No pets. Nonsmoking. 619-987-2681.

LOGAN HEIGHTS. Remodeled 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath townhome. All new appliances. Gated community with assigned parking. Section 8 welcome. Rent, \$1550. Deposit, \$750. Dannette, 619-263-4368.

MIRA MESA, NORTHEAST. \$2295. Spacious 3 bedrooms plus den, 2.5 bath home. Attached double garage. Custom decor. Plantation shutters. Air conditioning. Dual walk-in closets. Volumn ceilings. Property broker, 858-560-6656.

MIRA MESA, \$2200. 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house. 2-car garage, fireplace, stove, microwave, dishwasher, gated community. 9532 Capricorn Way. Open house, 10/16, 10/17. 858-459-3531.

MIRA MESA. \$1450. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. 1-car garage. Fenced yard/covered patio. Stove. Laundry hookups. Quiet neighborhood. Near all. Gardener included. No smoking/pets. 858-695-3759.

MIRA MESA. \$2100. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home built in 1998, first floor hardwood floors, plantation shutters, private backyard and outdoor grill. 858-603-1349.

MIRA MESA. \$1600. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. 1-car garage, large yard, washer/dryer hookups. 10835 Whitehall Road. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MIRA MESA. \$1500/month; \$1500 deposit. Large 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath condo. Completely renovated. Over 1100 square feet. All new appliances including washer/dryer, fireplace overlooks pool 10249 Black Mountain Road #05. People Helping Others Property Management, 619-282-5400.

MIRA MESA. 2 bedroom, 1 bath lower condo, convenient to I-15. Clean, sizeable, upgraded, on-site laundry, pool, 2 parking spots. \$1195, security. 858-274-9213.

MIRA MESA. \$1175. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo at Quail Creek. Spacious, air conditioning, balcony, pool, tennis, Carport parking. No pets. Benson Properties, 858-272-4990.

MIRA MESA. \$1450. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. Over 1100 square feet. Includes refrigerator, washer/dryer, dishwasher, fireplace. 9431 Gold Coast Drive, #F4. 858-536-9044.

MIRA MESA. \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath house, 2-car garage. Newer 2 story on quiet street. Available now. Open floor plan, near all. 10720 Glendover Lane. Do not disturb. John A. Reis and Company, Inc., 858-272-1348.

MIRA MESA. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo in nice complex. Refrigerator, washer/dryer hookups, assigned covered parking, pool, jacuzzi, fitness center. Nonsmoking/pets. 858-635-9399.

MIRA MESA/SCRIPPS RANCH. \$1950/month. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath home. 2-car garage. In quiet gated community, "Casablanca." Lease. 858-922-9288.

MISSION BAY. \$1950. Large, furnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Jacuzzi bath, fireplace, washer/dryer, 2-car garage. Available now-06/05. No smoking. No pets. 858-254-5550.

MISSION BAY. Beachfront yearly rental. Spacious unit on the 4th floor with beautiful water views. 2 bedrooms, each with own bathroom. Optional office/3rd bedroom loft with own bath. Gas fireplace in living room. Scaring ceilings and water views from most of unit. Private roof-top deck and huge storage room. 1145 Pacific Beach Drive, Sanderling Condominiums. Call to view, 619-232-5077.

MISSION BAY, EAST. \$775 rent. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$500 deposit. Laundry facility. Assigned parking. Cat OK. Close to I-5. 1450 Morena Boulevard. Call 619-890-4340.

MISSION BEACH. \$2750-\$3250. Two new beach houses! Furnished/unfurnished. 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Includes washer/dryer, parking, cable, water. 717/719 Isthmus Court. 858-488-0771.

MISSION BEACH. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Steps to beach and bay. Garage, fireplace, dishwasher. Clean, light, airy. Year round. No dogs. \$1050/month. 760-632-7882.

MISSION BEACH. Great 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo with garage at Belmont Park. One block to sand! Year lease includes long distance, phone and electricity. Berber carpet, stone floor, granite counter. Nicel 760-822-4324.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. 1 bedroom, 1 bath ground floor apartment. One garage. Steps to bay or beach! Available 10/5. \$1100/month. Agent, 619-296-1000.

MISSION BEACH. \$1395. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom independent unit. Very clean, large patio, 2 parking, block to beach. No pets. 809 Island Court. 858-459-7391.

MISSION BEACH. \$1500/up. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Hardwood floors. Tile. Parking. Laundry. Includes utilities. Newer appliances. No smoking/pets. 3314 Mission Boulevard. 619-224-0985.

MISSION BEACH. \$1550. 10-month lease, furnished. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment upstairs with fireplace, 2 car parking. Built-in bookcases. Coin-operated washer/dryer. Steps to ocean. Available now, until 6/10/05. 619-234-7572.

MISSION BEACH. \$850-\$1025. Two huge 1 bedroom, upstairs units. One hardwood floors, one carpeted. Sunny corner. 1 block ocean/Bay. Appliances, laundry. Garage available. 3613 and 3619 Mission Boulevard (at Niantic). 858-232-9932.

MISSION BEACH. \$975. Immaculate 1 bedroom, 1 bath house, year-round, quiet, patio, laundry. No pets. 619-442-8916.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$1100. 1 bedroom house. No pets, nonsmoking. Share parking. Quiet, nice, carpet, paint, appliances. Large front porch. 745 Avalon Court. Agent, 619-275-3455.

MISSION BEACH. \$950. Deposit \$1000. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cute furnished units. Steps to beach and bay. Off-street parking, 1 place. No pets. Available 10/15. 3764 Bayside Lane #5, #6. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

MISSION BEACH. \$2400. Deposit \$2450. 3 bedroom, 3 bath condo with ocean view. Balcony. Washer/dryer hook-ups. 1 parking place. No pets. Available now. 804 Tangiers. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

MISSION BEACH, SOUTH. \$1300. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo on beach/bay with view. No pets/smoking. 1 parking space. 858-273-4840.

MISSION BEACH. \$1495/month. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Steps to beach/bay. Parking. Great location! Available early October. 3704 Bayside Lane. kandrproperties.com. 858-490-1600.

MISSION BEACH. \$2200. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage, fireplace, washer/dryer. View of Mission Bay. Just steps to beach/bay. 826 Sunset Court. 619-954-5374.

MISSION BEACH. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 2 blocks from beach/bay. New paint/carpet. Affordable housing income requirements. \$975/month rent includes utilities, \$800 deposit. Leave message, 858-459-6670.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. Nice 1 bedroom apartment. Newer appliances, vertical blinds. Steps to beach. 725 Queenstown Court, #A. Available 10/15. Gas/water paid. 858-689-0602.

MISSION BEACH. Studio in quiet courtyard setting. Parking space and on-site laundry included. No pets. Available 11/1. \$800. Dan, 619-233-7342.

MISSION BEACH. \$2000. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house! Great south Mission location! Month to month. Steps to bay/beach, parking, patios. 737 Dover Court. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Great south Mission location, upstairs, month to month. Street parking, laundry, spacious! 2928.5 Mission Boulevard. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1695. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Steps to sand. Shared ocean front patio. Upstairs. 3231 Ocean Front Walk. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Upgraded, upstairs, barbecue area, SDG&E included, steps to sand! 715-4 Santa Barbara Place. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1425. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Newly remodeled, steps to beach/bay, upstairs, charming! 715-10 Santa Barbara Place. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1600, month-to-month. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs. Fireplace, large bedrooms, 2 parking spaces. Bay side, Isthmus Court. Available 11/1. 858-518-1812.

MISSION BEACH. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs, charming, steps to bay, great location, parking, laundry! 3550 Bayside Walk. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

MISSION BEACH. \$1550. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Steps to beach with beautiful deck. Charming and clean. Pets OK. Available 11/1. 858-405-4785.

MISSION HILLS. Artist retreat. Unique 1 bedroom house. Trees, garden, skylights, clawfoot tub, stained glass. Utilities and gardener provided. \$1395/month. 619-435-2362 or 619-688-1631.

MISSION HILLS. \$1100, 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath apartments. Quiet, near shopping and bus lines. Canyon view. Garage. No pets. 619-298-6436.

MISSION HILLS. \$1200/up. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry. Parking. Pets OK. La Paloma Apartments. Open daily, 1-5pm. 3911 Dove. 619-297-1134.

MISSION HILLS, SOUTH. \$900. 1 bedroom upper. Great view of city/harbor. One year lease. Quiet neighbors. No pets or smoking. Columbia at Palm. 619-296-7902.

MISSION HILLS. \$2050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. 2-car garage, hardwood floors, skylight, dishwasher, fireplace. 4224 Arden. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MISSION HILLS. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet, gated, pool, close to all. 4039 Brant #J. Centre City Property Management, 619-296-6699.

MISSION HILLS. \$2200. Charming 2-1/2 bedroom, 1 bath canyon home. Stained glass, redwood decks, gas grill. Available now. 4321 Hermosa Way. 619-299-0440.

MISSION HILLS. \$2000. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, like new, 1 parking space, freeway access. Close to all. No pets. 1011 Bush Street. 619-298-1728. 619-298-7121.

MISSION HILLS. \$850. Studio. Quiet upper unit. Garden view. No pets. No smoking. Utilities and laundry included. 619-296-8982.

MISSION HILLS. 1 bedroom apartment. Range, refrigerator, new carpet. \$700/month. Call 619-460-4685.

MISSION HILLS. 2 bedroom, 1 bath home. \$1675. Move-in special: 1/2 off first month's rent! Hardwood floors, washer/dryer. Close to park and tennis court. 4034 Randolph Street. 858-571-1970. Sunriseliving.com.

MISSION HILLS, SOUTH. \$200 move-in special! 1 bedroom, \$825. Quiet. Laundry, ceiling fan, off-street parking. No pets. 2822 Reynard Way. Gina, 619-231-2727 x215.

MISSION HILLS. \$2695. Charming 4 bedroom, 2 bath house. Spa. Garage. Fireplace. Nice yard with deck. Wood floors. 3520 Ibis Street. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

MISSION HILLS. \$1695. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Balcony, view, fireplace, appliances, washer/dryer, air conditioning, subterranean parking. 619-886-3146.

MISSION HILLS. \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Pets OK. Upstairs unit. Hardwood floors. Open Sunday 12-1pm. 3782 Keating Street. 619-787-3701.

MISSION HILLS. \$1100. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with balcony. Carport parking. Laundry on-site. New carpet, blinds and paint. No pets. 3679 Keating. Resident manager, 619-546-5739.

MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST. \$2300. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath multi-level condo. 1700 estimated square feet. Balcony with view. Wood burning stove. Garage.

ccuprys@realty-specialists.com. Love Property Management. 619-379-4448.

MISSION HILLS. Huge 2 bedroom, 1 baths from \$1300. Pool. Carport. Laundry. Storage. Gated. 4039-1/2 Albatross. 619-795-1234. www.rasnyder.com.

MISSION HILLS. 1 bedrooms from \$820, 2 bedrooms from \$1050. \$350 off first month! Patios, pool, laundry room, storage and more! 3505 Reynard Way. 619-683-9239. www.rasnyder.com.

MISSION HILLS. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. 1/2 off first month! Spacious, garage. Storage. Walk to town. Cat OK. 808 Fort Stockton. 619-295-2624. www.rasnyder.com.

MISSION HILLS. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, view, close freeway access/shops, laundry, parking. No pets. 3633 Columbia Street/Chalmers. 619-295-7113.

MISSION HILLS. \$1800. New, upscale 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo. Granite counters. 1-car attached garage plus 1 parking space. Pet considered. Non-smoking. 619-987-2681.

MISSION HILLS. Duplex: \$1500, 2 bedroom, upstairs, relaxing patio with treetop view, off-street parking, free laundry. Very well kept property. Pet OK. 4053 Brant Street. 619-778-8888.

MISSION RIDGE/KEARNEY MESA. \$1600. New 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse "Spectrum", 2-car garage, 1246 square feet, all appliances, ceiling fans, tile. 8744 Esplanade. Call Nancy, 858-622-9515.

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MISSION VALLEY. \$947/month. Friar's Point. Quiet upstairs 1 bedroom condo with walk-in closet, large bath. Air conditioning, pool. Covered parking. Appliances. Jeff, 858-354-1852.

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MISSION VALLEY. \$1795. 3 bedroom, 2 bath house. Washer/dryer, garage, upgrades: kitchen, floors, paint, and windows. Less than 10 minutes from beach, Downtown, Fashion Valley Mall. 619-398-6906.

MISSION VALLEY. Great 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo (River Run). Pets under 20 pounds permitted. Pool, gym, private patio, covered parking. Washer/dryer, air conditioning. cable hookup. \$1200/month. Call Kris at 619-417-6848.

MISSION VALLEY. \$2150. Beautiful, brand new, elegant 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse, 2-car garage attached. Granite countertops, all amenities, pool/jacuzzi, tennis, gym. No pets. Call 858-864-9068.

MISSION VALLEY/FASHION VALLEY. \$1495. The Courtyards, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Security, air conditioning, balcony, tennis, pool, spa. 619-220-8317.

MISSION VALLEY. \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, yard, 2-car garage. 9753 Stonecrest, Hampton Place, air conditioning, refrigerator. 619-220-8317.

MISSION VALLEY/FASHION VALLEY. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. New carpet. Great condition. Tennis. Pool. Spa. 619-220-8317.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1285. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 2-story. New, quiet. Washer/dryer, dishwasher. Garage and parking. Pool, gym. Cat OK. Near Qualcomm, shopping. 619-957-7535.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1995. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse in Union Square. Large yard. 2-car garage. Washer/dryer hook-ups. 7461 Hazard Center. McKee, 619-435-2700. www.mckeecompany.com.

MISSION VALLEY. \$995. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Beautifully refurbished. Quiet, sunny, upper end unit. Air conditioned. All amenities. Carport. Nonsmoking. No pets. 6354 Rancho Mission Road #504. 619-255-7397.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1195. Spectacular 2 bedroom, 1 bath. All new appliances. New carpet, ceramic tile and blinds. Fresh paint. Washer/dryer included. Quality apartment looking for a resident who appreciates quiet, convenience and a patio overlooking a canyon. 619-857-1187. Located at 1215 Hueneume.

MISSION VALLEY, EAST. \$1125. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Newly remodeled! Pool, laundry, off-street parking. Great location. Safe and secure. No pets. 4550 Vandever. Resident manager. 619-282-8000.

MISSION VALLEY, WEST. \$895. Studio with garden view in The Bluffs Condominiums. Pool and covered parking. Stove/refrigerator. Excellent condition. Shore Management. 858-274-3500.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1900. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Granite counter tops, designer paint, carpet, open and bright,

near pool. Electric/cable included. Available ASAP. 619-807-8022.

MISSION VALLEY. \$950. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Excellent condition. Berber carpet, oak wood kitchen, white appliances. Pool, spa, tennis. RE/MAX Associates, Julia, 619-813-6479.

MISSION VALLEY. \$995. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet complex. On-site laundry. Near USD and shopping. Close to beach. No pets. 619-683-7805.

MISSION VALLEY. \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1-car attached garage, large deck, washer/dryer included, new carpet, wood flooring. Pool, tennis. Agent, 619-888-1700.

MISSION VALLEY. Brand new 1 bedroom, 1 bath upscale loft available 11/15-12/1, \$1560/month (reduced \$150). First week rent free. Full-size garage. 619-436-8030.

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MORLEY FIELD. 2 bedroom, 2 bath upgraded condo with garage. Air conditioning, washer/dryer, dishwasher. Small but very nice with granite countertops, tile bathrooms, and wood floors. Dogs OK. Minutes from downtown and Hillcrest. \$1500/month. 619-255-1191 or cell 619-347-5005.

MURRIETA. Townhome in gated Montego Bay community. Fully furnished 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Close to shopping and freeways. \$1400 rent, \$700 deposit. Available November 1. Call Domingo, 619-921-3292; Jemar, 619-781-5395.

NATIONAL CITY. \$950. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit. Nice area close to shopping. Available now. Section 8 welcome. Eden Property Services, 760-431-7890.

NATIONAL CITY. \$945. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Fresh paint. Completely remodeled. Must see! 2826-1/2 Prospect. Cogan Properties, 619-283-2144.

NATIONAL CITY. \$695/month. 1 bedroom fully furnished. Low \$150 deposit. No SDGE deposit or hookup required. 624 East 24th Street. Office open daily. 619-474-3787.

NATIONAL CITY. \$100+ move-in special! 1 bedroom, \$725 and 2 bedroom, \$925 at 315 East 30th #F and #M. Gated complex, parking, on-site laundry. No pets. 858-483-5111 x42. Much more at www.melroyproperties.com.

NATIONAL CITY. \$695, deposit \$600. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator. Next to new Walmart. \$675 month rent with 1 year lease. 1019 E Avenue. 619-804-3324.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$700. Studio, 4767 Mansfield Street. Quiet and spacious. Available now. No pets. Off street parking. Nonsmoking. 888-857-2326.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Off-street parking, remodeled. Cats OK. Available late October. 619-284-2092; www.floit.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1425. 2 bedroom, 1 bath house, newly renovated, off-street parking, garage, small yard. 619-251-6612. 619-971-1011.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Completely remodeled! Huge kitchen! Tons of storage. Berber carpet. All appliances. Laundry. Parking. Quiet. Gated complex. 619-283-7643.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1400. Unique 1927 Cape Cod style, 2 bedroom, 1 bath attached home with private yard. Washer/dryer, garage. Pet OK on approval. 619-572-1894.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Near Adams Avenue. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath detached home. Hardwood floors, ceiling fan. Lots of wood! Fenced yard. Enclosed patio. Garage. \$1050. Gardener included. Available 11/1. 619-501-4898.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. North of Adams. Spacious remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath

house. Pergo, tile, jacuzzi bath. Hookups. All appliances. Yard/landscaping. Parking. Quiet neighborhood. Water/trash paid. Small pet. \$1645. 619-741-4252.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. 1 bedroom, 1 bath detached duplex. \$900, gardening, water, trash included. New carpet, paint, refrigerator, stove. Great, convenient location. 4549 Wilson Avenue. 619-670-5742.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$975. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath and 1 bedroom, \$775. Quiet. Gated community. Laundry, off-street parking. 4722 33rd Street. 619-282-6910. www.melroyproperties.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$740. 1 bedroom apartment in intercom-access building. Patio, dishwasher, walk-in closet, ceiling fan and reserved parking. No pets. 4455 Cherokee. 619-265-8680.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs apartment with garage, in quiet, gated building. New paint and carpet. No pets. 4319 Copeland. 619-582-3596.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$910. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, with garage. Patio, walk in closet, gated intercom entry. Dishwasher, ceiling fan. Clean, no pets. 4465 Cherokee. 619-229-9060.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$200 off first month OAC! 1 bedroom, \$825. Garage. Berber carpet, fireplace. Dishwasher. Washer/dryer hookups. No pets. 4638 Ohio. www.jesselproperties.com, 619-282-3583, 619-948-5866.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$745. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpets, freshly painted. \$100 discount move-in special! Gated building with enclosed patio, laundry room. Good credit. 1-year lease. 858-481-1138.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$965. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. All new appliances, carpet, tile. \$100 discount move-in special. 1 year lease. Gated building with enclosed patio, laundry room. Good credit. 858-481-1138.

NORMAL HEIGHTS/NORTH PARK. \$695. Beautiful, unfurnished studio house. Very clean. Quiet neighborhood, cul-de-sac street, nice gardens. Great condition! Nonsmoking, no pets. Available now. 858-382-9711.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$845. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartments. Newly remodeled with ceramic tile and carpet floors. On-site laundry, parking. Pets negotiable. 619-683-7638. Xilarent.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$895. 2 bedroom downstairs apartment. Stove, refrigerator. Gated property. Off-street parking with on-site laundry. 619-683-7638. Xilarent.com.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$1095. Newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Downstairs unit with dishwasher and microwave. On-site laundry with off-street parking. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$695. 1 bedroom upstairs apartment. Cozy unit with good lighting. Off-street parking and on-site laundry. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Move-in special! \$895. Spacious 2 bedroom. Gated entry. Laundry on site. Off-street parking. No pets. 4377 39th Street #1. www.seetheunit.com, Agent, 619-298-7724.

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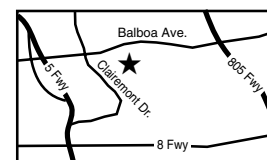
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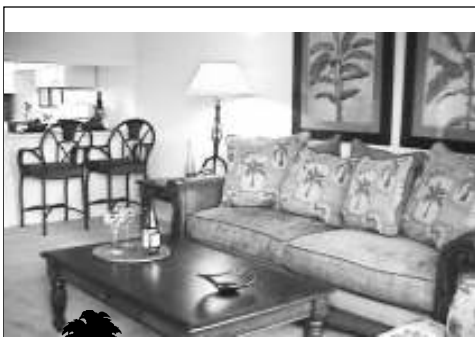
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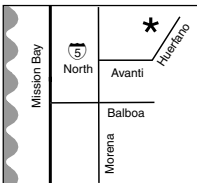
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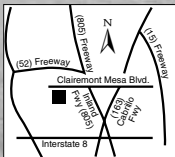
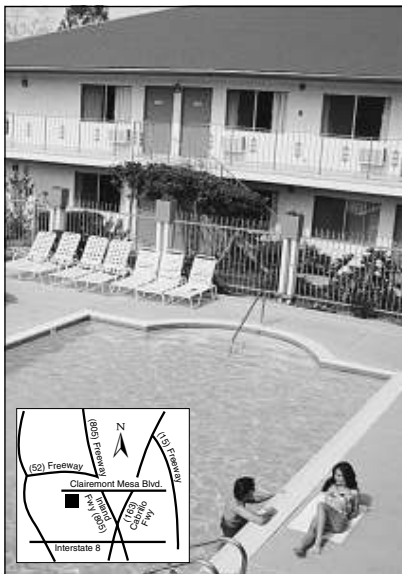
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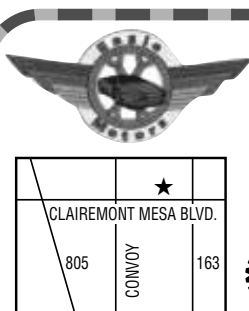
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San Diego Smog & Auto Repair
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BICYCLE SWAP MEET at Hi-Techbikes.com, October 31, Halloween. Sellers \$5, 7am. Buyers \$1, 8am. 2005 demo fleets from Specialized, Litespeed, Merlin, OR, Orbea, and factory reps with samples from 20 different manufacturers. Huge in-store sale: Up to 70% off 2004 bikes, frames, forks, clothing, shoes, helmets, accessories. 6162G Mission Gorge Road, San Diego. 619-696-1311.

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MOUNTAIN BIKES, Raleigh 18" frame, front shocks, 24 speed, grip shifters, quick release wheels, great tires, \$160. Diamondback 19" black frame, great transportation, \$90. 619-224-6947.

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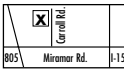
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BAY PARK/CLAIREMONT. Moving sale. Saturday, 10/16, 7am. Patio set, desks, TV, toys, plus much more. Priced to sell! 2235 Cowley Way.

BONITA. yard sale, multi-family. Saturday, 10/16, 8am-1pm. Antiques, books, collectibles, furniture, lamps, electronics, miscellaneous. 3715 Cienga.

CARMEL VALLEY. Moving overseas. Saturday/Sunday, 10/16-10/17, 8am-1pm. 13065 Signature Point #219 (off Del Mar Heights at El Camino Real). 858-259-6167.

CHULA VISTA. Rolling Hills Ranch. Huge community sale, 200+ homes. Address lists, Saturday morning only. Saturday, 10/16, 7am-12pm. 747 River Rock or 2534 Falcon Valley.

CHULA VISTA. Huge community sale. 10/16, 7am-noon. Rolling Hills Ranch. Pick up address lists Saturday only at 747 River Rock. 2534 Falcon Valley.

CLAIREMONT. Garage sale. 10/16, 10am-4pm. Children's books, toys, clothes, Halloween, ceramic crafts, miscellaneous household items. 4404 La Crosse (off Moraga and Geddes).

CLAIREMONT. Garage sale. Saturday, 10/16, 7:30am-1pm. Computers, fitness equipment, coffee and end tables, Noritake china, stereo speakers, miscellaneous. 5236 Guinda Court (off Clairemont Mesa and 15).

COLLEGE AREA. Garage sale. Saturday, 10/16, 8am-2pm. Miscellaneous items. 4604 Hinson Place. 619-582-8032.

COLLEGE GROVE AREA. Multifamily yard sale. 8am, 10/16. Quality dining/living furniture, bikes, fitness, microwave, dishes, books. 6230 Tooley (between College and Federal off I-94).

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HILLCREST. Huge sale. 8am-noon, Saturday, 10/16. Furniture, household, designer clothes, shoes, books, CDs, collectibles, frames, toys, strollers, much more. 3672 Georgia Street, in alley.

KENSINGTON. Garage sale. Saturday, 10/16, 7:30am. Household items, fans, air conditioner, clothing, lots of stuff, ready to bargain. 4333 Alder Street.

LA MESA. Garage sale. Saturday-Sunday, 10/16-10/17, 8am-3pm. Arts and crafts, household items, clothes, shoes, lots of Christmas items. 8050 University Place.

LA MESA. Garage sale. Saturday/Sunday, 9am-6pm. Jet ski, 2802, vending machines/parts, miscellaneous construction materials, clothes, shoes, furniture, classic Schwinn, automotive. 7013 Wyrning Avenue.

LA MESA. Garage sale. Saturday, Sunday, 10/16, 10/17. Children's clothes, toys, household items, electronics, futon, linens, holiday, outdoor furniture and much more. 8381 University Avenue.

LA MESA. Multifamily yard sale. Saturday, 10/16. Lots of goodies. Come early! 8400 block of El Paso Street.

LINDA VISTA. moving sale. Saturday, 10/16, 7am. Electronics, plants, furniture, clothes, toys, housewares, boxed/wrapped gifts, barbecue, numerous landscape materials and items. 7187 Belden Street.

MISSION BAY. Garage sale. Saturday, 10/16, 9am-2pm. Children's books, clothing, dishes, vases, plants, jewelry, Christmas cards, Halloween costume, knick knacks, electric fan, computer terminal. 4248 Blackfoot Avenue.

MISSION HILLS. Green Manor's annual bake sale and patio sale! Saturday, 10/16, 9am-2pm, in the patio. 4041 Ibis Street, at Fort Stockton.

MISSION VALLEY. Moving sale. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 10/15, 10/16, 10/17. Must sell everything, A-Z. Appliances,

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NORMAL HEIGHTS. Yard sale. Saturday, 10/16, 7am-2pm. Furniture, books, computer software, clothes, knick knacks, more. Fundraiser for Butterworth Dance Company (nonprofit). www.butterdance.org for donations. 4859 35th Street.

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NORTH PARK. Moving sale. 10am-2pm, Saturday and Sunday. Furniture (dressers, end tables, couches, chairs, etc.) and accessories. 3551 Granada Avenue. Jenny. 619-990-1422.

OCEAN BEACH. Moving sale. Saturday, 10/16, 8am-noon. All must go. Stereo, chairs, lamps, tables, tapestries, clothes, miscellaneous. 4779 Orchard Avenue.

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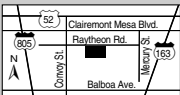
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CLARIFICATION: Three weeks ago, in an item I labeled “The IQ-Diminishing Aspect of the Fourth of July,” I referenced the story of the death of a teenager in Webster, Wis., in which the local sheriff had been quoted in such a way as to suggest that the boy’s imprudence was a major factor in his death. Subsequently, two people who were at the scene of the incident wrote to say that the boy had not acted imprudently at all and that the death was due to an equipment malfunction.

LEAD STORY

— To publicize the use of fat as an alternative method of harvesting stem cells to grow new human tissue, Austin, Texas, plastic surgeon Dr. Robert Ersek, who is overweight, invited reporters in August to watch as he liposuctioned 1-1/2 pounds of his fat from the left side of his abdomen. As Ersek (under local anesthetic) moved the vacuuming wand inside his body, he urged people to save their fat for the time in which stem-cell work will be routine. (Ersek said he would leave the right side of his abdomen as is, to show liposuction candidates a “before” and “after.”)

Japanese Passions

— Judging by sales figures for two recent products, Japanese men and women have either too much free time or not nearly enough because now selling briskly in pet shops are ants and shrimp. The Antquarium is a six-ant farm that uses a self-sustaining nutritional gel instead of sand, and the Holo Holo is basically a plastic box containing five deep-water scarlet shrimp packaged in nutritional algae-water. Each sells for the equivalent of about \$30. One satisfied customer told the *Japan Times*, “As I live on my own, I wanted to have pets that are easy to take care of.”

Least Competent Animals

— With cameras from the *Cops* TV show rolling, an Evansville, Ind., police dog chasing a gunman in a retirement home suddenly leaped on innocent bystander John Terry and bit his right arm before he was pulled off (August). ... A ten-year-old Komodo dragon in heat accidentally plunged to her death off a wall in the London Zoo trying to get to her mate (August).

Never Give Up

— (1) Jacob Hadad and his “witness,” David Mullem, were charged with perjury in Long Beach, Calif., in July after they refused to budge from their testimony in Hadad’s challenge to a camera-generated traffic ticket. Hadad said he was forced to run a red light because a maniacal driver was chasing him, and Mullem, his “passenger,” backed him up. However, the camera revealed no car chasing Hadad and no passenger in his car. (2) Shaun Woodhouse, caught on camera speeding in Northrop, Wales, admitted in June to owning a car of the same model and color and license plate number as in the photo, but said nonetheless, “It was not my car, and it was not me driving.” (He was convicted.)

Only for Me, Not for Thee

— In April, Florida’s *St. Augustine Record* announced the opening of artist Andrea Giovanni’s exhibit on behalf of the Betty Griffin House, a local shelter for battered women. Eight days later, the same newspaper carried news of Giovanni’s arrest for allegedly beating up her boyfriend and trying to run him over with her car. ... In a July 2004 *Smithsonian* magazine feature on the work of ecology-minded architect Paolo Soleri, who advocates that people form smaller, efficient, high-density residential communities to help conserve the environment, it was revealed that Soleri lives on a five-acre ranch near Scottsdale, Ariz., housing a bell foundry and several buildings.

Bright Ideas

— Searching for ways to convey law-enforcement professionalism to the Iraqi police, Marine MP Company C in Camp Al Asad, Iraq, developed a costumed mascot, “Farid the Crime-Fighting Falcon” (patterned after the famous “take a bite out of crime” dog, McGruff, but using an animal they believe the Iraqis respect more). Cpl. Justin Weber has the easy job, putting on the falcon suit; his comrades have the more difficult task of explaining to their classes how Farid fits into effective law enforcement. — Police in Niles, Ohio, were called to the house of a 50-year-old man in July, having received complaints that it reeked of urine and feces, and that the home might be one of those that the

resident litters with garbage, inviting vermin. Zoning inspector Anthony Vigorito did declare the home unfit for human habitation, but gave the resident credit for trying to improve things: the man had gone to the trouble of installing a porta-john in the middle of his living room.

Ironies

— Palestinian Authority legislators disclosed in July that some local businessmen, aided by Palestinian officials, made huge profits by selling low-priced cement (provided at discount by Egypt to support its Muslim brothers) to Israelis at huge markups, even though they knew the cement was destined to be used in the controversial “security wall” Israel is erecting in the West Bank.

People Different From Us

— Bobbie Lynne Warren, 44, was charged in Nevada City, Calif., with several gun violations and, according to sheriff’s deputies interviewed by *The Union* newspaper, it was a lively arrest. Warren allegedly admitted shooting at her boyfriend, Kevin Denson, because after 18 years, he still refuses to marry her. (Warren denied firing a handgun, insisting it was a rifle because she is an ex-felon barred from holding handguns.) One deputy said Warren insisted that he tell her why no one had ever proposed to her, and on the way to jail asked him directly if he would propose to her.

Least Competent Criminals

— In August, accused bank robber Stephen C. Jackson, 35, was arrested after violating the rule that a criminal on the lam should try to keep a low profile. He was spotted standing at the Ultimate Car Wash in Lakewood, Ohio, feeding one red-dye-stained dollar bill after another into the coin changer, which bystanders found suspicious in that his pockets were bulging with quarters (about 1800 in his trousers). Police tied him to the robbery earlier in the day of a Charter One bank in Cleveland.

Recurring Themes

— Once again, a kid survived after being impaled by a stake that penetrated his chest. Jason Curtis, 9, was bouncing on a trampoline in Camanche, Iowa, in August and came down on the stake, which entered through his left armpit and barely missed

vital organs. He lifted himself off the stake and walked for help. ... And once again, a clerk (this time at the Fashion Bug store in Greensburg, Pa.) not only accepted an obviously bogus piece of currency — a “\$200” bill featuring a likeness of President Bush — but also gave the customer change on a \$99 purchase (August). (Note: Yes, Greensburg was the same town featured in “News of the Weird” last week as the home of the accused toe-kisser and the middle-aged man who dresses as a cheerleader.)

Readers’ Choice

— In August, a sightseeing boat taking some society-type guests of the Chicago Architecture Foundation down the Chicago River crossed under the Kinzie Street bridge as a bus passed over and apparently released its sewage container through the bridge’s grating, directly onto the boat’s passengers. Police subsequently charged the driver of a bus belonging to the Dave Matthews Band, but the band claimed its buses were not in the area at the time.

Almost All True

— Three of these four things happened recently. Are you cynical enough to figure out the made-up story? (a) A Texas school board refused to allow a boys’ hair-growing campaign to donate for wigs to support hair-losing cancer patients, citing school rules against long hair for boys. (b) A misbehaving monkey in India was sentenced to life in an official government monkey prison, joining a dozen other simians declared incorrigible. (c) A man in Seville, Spain, filed a domestic-abuse complaint against his wife for turning him down for sex for five consecutive days. (d) Its budget depleted until the new fiscal year in October, the District of Columbia government said the public could copy official documents in September only if they lugged their own copy machines and paper into a government reading room.

Answer to Almost All True: (d) is false.

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Location: 2100 Pan American Plaza, Balboa Park

Time/Place: 4:30 p.m. on 9/24/04

Investigation: I received a radio call to respond to UCSD and take a 245 PC report. When I arrived at the hospital I was informed there was also a domestic violence report that needed to be taken.

Both Joan H. and Lonnie H. were injured by Lee S. while they were at Balboa Park. Joan is separated from



causing a 2-inch laceration to his left temple.

Background: Joan and Lee were married and lived together for five years. Joan left him after the last domestic violence incident, which occurred a few months ago. She became homeless as a result. She met Lonnie in [Balboa Park] and the two became friends. A dating relationship began. Lee is angry that Joan is now involved.

Statements: Joan said she was in the park today. Lonnie left to talk with some friends. Lee showed up and got into a verbal argument with her. Lonnie returned...Lee rode off on his bike. Lee returned a short time later [with] a stick in his hand. Lee started swinging (hitting) at Lonnie. Joan jumped to stop Lee. Lee pushed Joan, striking her in the face with an open hand. He pushed her, using his hand to hit her in the left rib area. Lee finally stopped and words were exchanged. They took the bus to UCSD to be treated for their injuries.

Lonnie told me he has known Joan for several months. Lee was cussing and calling them "park whores" and "park bitches." Lonnie said he was sitting down on

Lee and is currently in a dating relationship with Lonnie. Lee hit Lonnie with a large stick,

the grass and heard Joan say, " 'G', he's got a stick. He's comin' with a stick."

INDECENT EXPOSURE

Location: 3500 Park Boulevard

Time/Date: 8:45 a.m. on 9/19/04



Investigation: I received a radio call involving an indecent exposure incident near Roosevelt Middle School. While responding to the area, the dispatcher informed me of a second indecent exposure incident in the same area. The second reporting party, Z., described a similar suspect as the first reporting party, T.

I attempted to telephone T. to talk to her about the incident but I was unsuccessful. Z. said that she was unable to obtain the suspect's license plate number. I made several attempts to contact T. but was unable to speak to her. I drove to T.'s place of employment.

T. told me on 9/17/04, at approximately 8:45 a.m., she was standing on the northwest corner of 3400 Park (waiting to cross Upas Street) when she saw a maroon Eclipse with a tan top approach her. T. saw a Hispanic male reach toward his waist but did not see his genitalia. He never spoke to her.

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On 9/19/04, at approximately 8:45 a.m., she was walking south-bound on 3500 Park (approaching Myrtle Street)...when the maroon Eclipse approached her. The driver pulled up in front of her and said in Spanish: "Mira, mira. Te gusta? Te gusta?" ("Look, look. You like? You like?") She said she saw the male fondling his penis as he spoke to her. The male stared at her. She said she recognized him as the same male from the incident two days prior. T. said she ignored the male and continued walking to work.

UNLAWFUL ENTRY

Location: [1400] Walbollen Street,

Spring Valley

Date/Time: 9:00 p.m. on 9/26/04



Investigation: I responded to a call of a violent mentally ill person (identified as K.B.) who was trying to break into a residence. The reporting party said that K.B. was not supposed to be at the residence and had forced her way in. K.B. gained entry by pushing through the back door. Once inside the kitchen, she brandished a knife and threatened the occupants. I ordered K.B. to walk out to the sidewalk, where I put handcuffs on her and placed her in the back of my

vehicle. Believing that she was possibly mentally ill, I evaluated her to see if she met the 5150 W-I criteria. I did not believe she met the criteria.

Suspect's Statement: I have been taking care of James for two months. I didn't have a place to live so I called [James's daughter] and asked if I could live with James under the condition that I help take care of him. She gave me permission to live there. I get free room and board and he pays me \$50 a week.

Today, I left about 1:30 p.m., went to a friend's house, and drank an alcoholic drink. After a few hours, I got a ride home and James was not at the residence. He never leaves because he cannot care for himself. I was scared, so I went to find his grandson, Cecil. I asked the people at the house if Cecil and James [were] there and they said, "No." I started going back and forth between the two houses hoping James would return.

I found a number for Cecil and contacted him at work. He told me he could not talk but would be home at midnight and take care of the problem. I told Cecil I was going to stay at the residence.

When I was waiting, Cecil and his wife came and confronted me on the back porch. They told me to get out of the house. They both began using their hands to push me around.

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NISSAN XTERRA, 2003, silver, 5-speed, cruise, air conditioning, tilt, tinted glass, CD. Excellent condition. Was \$17,995, now \$14,451. Stock-12234; vin-C682141. Kearny Mesa Toyota, 858-571-3269.

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Kelly Krueger's Rusty Project

I've admired the old Falcon Rancheros since a friend of mine bought a '64 new. It was fast.

Kelly Krueger has a '61. I ask him, "Where do you find an old Falcon like this?"

"We got it from my nephew's stepdad. He had it for a few years. He planned on having a big block dropped into it."

"One of the original V-8s?"

"Something bigger, like a 351 cubic inch. But he let his daughter drive it for six or eight months and she blew the clutch out, and then he lost interest. So we'd go over to their house, and I'd see it sitting there and say jokingly, 'Do you want to sell it?' He'd say, 'Naw, I think I'll hang on to it for awhile.' But the last time we were over there he said, 'Do you want

to buy it?' I said, 'Sure.' I paid him \$500."

"Some bargain."

"Yeah, and I always wanted to buy one of the '63 Ford pickups, because they were unibody. The newer pickups, the cab and the bed are separate parts. With the unibody, the bed and the cab are all integrated, all one piece, so the lines look neat. But they're hard to find. And this Falcon Ranchero is unibody. Besides, it's a good opportunity for my son and I to get together and work on a project. I hope we can get it somewhat ready this year, so my daughter can drive it before she graduates. This is her senior year."

"What do you plan to fix first?"

"I think we'll work on the body first. There's quite a bit of rust, so we'll go after that. There are shows on TV that can teach us what to do, on the Discovery Channel, or we can find information on the Internet. We'll

take the front end off, all the sheet metal, the fenders and the hood and grill, and have it sandblasted. The bed might take sandpaper and a lot of elbow grease. Or a wire brush and a drill motor might do the trick."

"I noticed a couple things are missing, like the shift knob. Are you going to try and find original parts?"

"Yeah, it's just amazing what you can find on the Internet these days. On eBay and the like. And I have two big boxes of spare parts, window cranks and such."

"So you'll try to keep it original?"

"For now. I'll keep the straight six in it, and the three-speed transmission. Maybe eventually, after my son gets out of high school and goes off to college, I'll tear it apart again and drop a bigger motor in it for myself. But first my son can drive it to high school, with the six cylinder. He's 14 and a half now."

"I interviewed a high school



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boy," I say. "He got a Taurus from his granddad but wants to sell it and buy a car that's a chick magnet. I wonder if this Falcon's a chick magnet."

"Sure, after we fix it up. My daughter's friend drives one, and it's restored and it looks real nice."

The bargain hunter in me surfaces, and I say, "Well, if somebody blows the clutch, I might take it off your hands."

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