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# At Home in San Diego



## LA COSTA

When I think of La Costa, I remember the wildlife — the skunk that lived under our house, for instance, a beautiful creature whose size would double when it puffed up its fur after it emerged from a tiny hole in the side of our redwood deck. In those days, circa 1988, animal control would come out and catch a wild animal in a live trap and take it away, which is what eventually happened to the skunk. Animal control hasn't provided this service for several years because there are just too many displaced animals.

I remember Santa and his Reinpony, not a wild animal but one that would soon be displaced. A roadside attraction, the Reinpony was a horse with antlers attached to its head. I must have last seen it on Christmas Eve in 1994. When I told the owner that next year I would bring my one-year-old daughter, she said, "There won't be a next year. All this land has been sold."

I think the Reinpony attraction was located in the vicinity of the Home Expo parking lot but closer to the street. Lienzo Charro, a rodeo ring hidden down a dirt road that I never had the nerve to explore, was just north of the Reinpony.

However, the most distinctive animal in La Costa (other than my pet pig Sporky) was the gibbon that lived down the hill. The gibbon wasn't wild either, or at least it wasn't free, but it seemed wild, its loud whooping a sound I heard immediately upon moving onto Mimosa Drive. The whooping was far enough away so as not to be annoying; you would swear it was a kid's voice or a theremin or that plastic toy that ascends and descends in pitch as you push or pull it. When I asked my neighbor what that strange noise was, she told me it was a monkey — although a gibbon is actually a lesser ape — that lived on the small farm

along the edge of the Batiquitos Lagoon. From my house, in 1988, you'd be there in five minutes. You could walk to it easily then, before Aviara and the golf course were built. Before development made the chaparral disappear, you could see yellow sandy hills and purple statice, big oak trees and craggy valleys, wild artichoke and the occasional woman's bra in the bushes. You could go for miles, which is what my husband and I did once, on the verge of divorce. I attribute the fact that we're still together, 19 years last July, in a small part to that walk we took. It was a gorgeous, six-mile-round-trip mentally torturous excursion on which we decided whether we would break up our three-year marriage.

The gibbon lived in a cage, and no one seemed to mind that I came to visit him. The second time, I brought a banana, which he grabbed eagerly and threw away. Then he reached through the small opening where chain-link fence met concrete floor, a miniature human hand with elongated fingers and lots of hair. Soon I realized that the gibbon just wanted to hold hands. For many years I'd go for half an hour at a time





*La Costa*



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to stroke this animal's fur. My neighbor told me that another, much larger cage once held a lion, there to keep the gibbon company (I very much doubt that a lion would comfort a gibbon), but it died of a urinary tract infection. My husband the scientist tells me that kidney infections (often caused by urinary problems) are one of the most common killers of domesticated cats. My husband is a cat lover. His family always had a half dozen at a time. And I am allergic to cats, so we don't have any. A testament to love if ever there was one.

— Jennifer Ball

## DEL MAR

Exit Interstate 5 at Del Mar Heights Road and head west. Cross Mango and go down the hill toward the heart of Del Mar. Take in one of the most beautiful stretches of scenery anywhere. The graceful arch of the Torrey pines, the sibilant sway of the palms, the diamond-studded expanse of ocean — this is the money shot right here. This is why friends you never knew you had and relatives you haven't seen for years decide to spend vacations with you.

Now turn right on Camino Del Mar and mosey through Olde Del Mar (please note that there's an additional charge for the extra *e*). If it's a Saturday, stop by the open-air market and pick up some necessities: arugula, orchids, and lemon verbena soap, for example. Pop into the Dinosaur Gallery and check out the skulls. Stick your nose into Bully's Del Mar, a favorite hangout for jockeys and trainers during racing season, and inhale the aroma of countless toasts to the winning horse. Move on to the three-tier Del Mar Plaza, and take the stone steps up to the third level. Order sushi, bruschetta, or quesadillas to go from any one of the restaurants there and eat them on the piazza. Smell the night-blooming jasmine and watch the sun melt into the Pacific. Wait for the green flash. Feel like a celebrity. Know that it doesn't get any better than this. But don't forget that you're only a visitor.

Don't get me wrong: people do live in Del Mar, but it's pretty full. Most of the people who are going to live in Del Mar are already there, and they're not budging. Part of what keeps Del Mar beachy-fabulous is the

*Del Mar*



fact that its borders will not expand. There is an otherworldly, paradisiacal quality to Del Mar. Small wonder, then, that the denizens call themselves "Del Martians." But paradise, it turns out, is expensive. I lived in Del Mar for only one year, but I spent every day there, working, for the better part of ten. When I moved, it was only to go two miles east. I couldn't stand to be any farther away from a place whose sheer beauty had convinced me that all things are possible.

In my early Del Mar days, I worked with a short, skinny European who'd found a way to rob blind the restaurant where we were both employed. Before anyone had caught on to his scheme and while he was still socking away the cash, I ran into him



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Talmadge

on 15th Street when we were both on our way to the beach. He

was wearing nothing but a ridiculously small pair of red

Speedos. He stopped in the middle of the street, raised his hands

in the air, and gazed heavenward. "I love Del Mar!" he shouted. "Del Mar is my town!" I've always felt the same.

— Debra Ginsberg

#### TALMADGE

Draw an imaginary line down El Cajon Boulevard from Fairmount Avenue to 54th Street. Invisible as the line may be, it keeps the crackheads and prostitutes and the smog-belching oil leakers of Southeast San Diego out of Talmadge. Call one the good side and one the bad side if you want; I've lived on both. My parents rented a box with a roof just south of the Boulevard back in the 1950s; my grandparents owned a luxury home only minutes away on a balmy drive named Constance for one of the famous Talmadge sisters. The three sis-

ters were silent screen stars whose money and fame were said to have fueled the original development called Talmadge Park Estates.

Anymore, the southeast side of the line is plain ugly. The air is redolent of taco joints and motor oil. It is a far, far different world from the one I grew up in. The Lutheran church of my childhood now houses an Ethiopian congregation. A block away, you can buy a live duck or chicken and have it slaughtered on the spot. As I walk past yards where I once played, I draw hard stares. Instinctively, I feel for the security of my wallet and my car keys.

On 49th Street, the windows of the shitbox my folks rented are boarded up. Some of the siding has busted off, revealing the little house's tarpapered

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bones. Two teenage boys sit out on the porch.

"You live here?" I realize too late how coplike that question must sound. For long seconds, neither of them speaks. The small

one fixes me with uninhabited eyes and produces a stale hack.

"No one lives here."

The larger boy's hands are stuffed into a ridiculously heavy winter coat. It is maybe

85 degrees out.

"At least no one's 'sposed to. 'S'all close up. She 'sposed to be fixin' it up, but she never does nothin'." She being the landlord, he says. "I lived here when I was a little

boy," I offer, standing on a square of dirt where a lawn should have been. The boys stare back at me as though I'm from another planet. Maybe I am. I am remembering my maternal

grandfather, staying with us in there, gumming horrid soft-boiled eggs for breakfast.

Across the Boulevard, I see one of Talmadge's iron gates standing sentry at

Monroe. I say good-bye and step off. The boys say nothing. They are experts at not talking.

From a distance, you can spot the pedicured home that my paternal grandparents occupied. Of the dozens of palm trees that run along the curbs up and down Constance Drive, some are missing. My grandfather killed both of his with massive doses of the fertilizers he deemed necessary to maintain his lawn. He accidentally killed off Doc's palms too, Doc being the neighbor from two doors down. The palms, I suppose, were Hollywood props, put in by whoever worked for the Talmadge sisters.

Whenever I visit the old streets, I want to regress. I want to be ten years old again. I want to hear my grandfather hush his dogs, to smell the black-eyed peas, meatloaf, and cigarette smoke of my grandmother's kitchen. I'd kill to have a ride in the neighbor's old white-on-aqua Metropolitan, still parked in the same spot as when I was a boy. If he's even alive, the neighbor's 85 if he's a day, still keeps a putting green for a front lawn, skinned back as short as a crew cut. I stand out front of his flagstone-encrusted home for long minutes. The drapes, ever closed, are disintegrating. But instead of breaking the spell and knocking on his door, I elect to leave the old man like a Proustian memory. Sitting alone in his den, dark and safe, he'll be surrounded by the glow of his television and the model airplanes he built, drink in hand, the highball glass leaving wet circles

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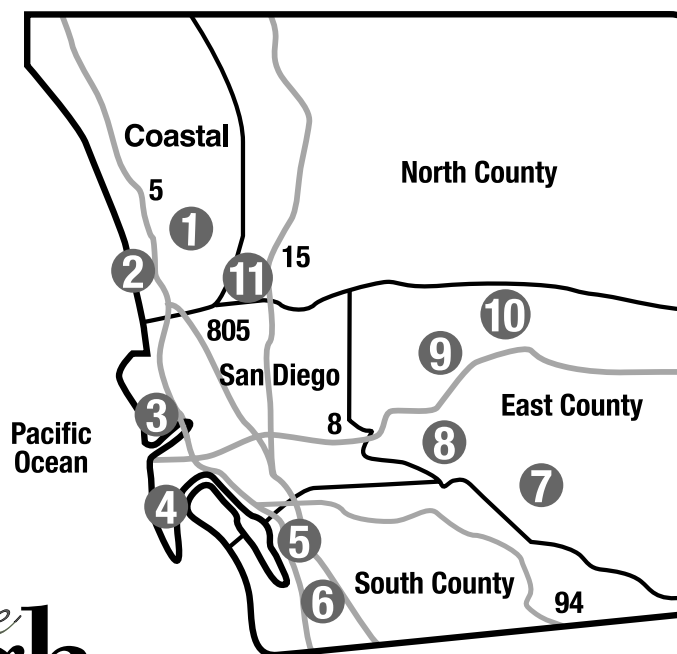


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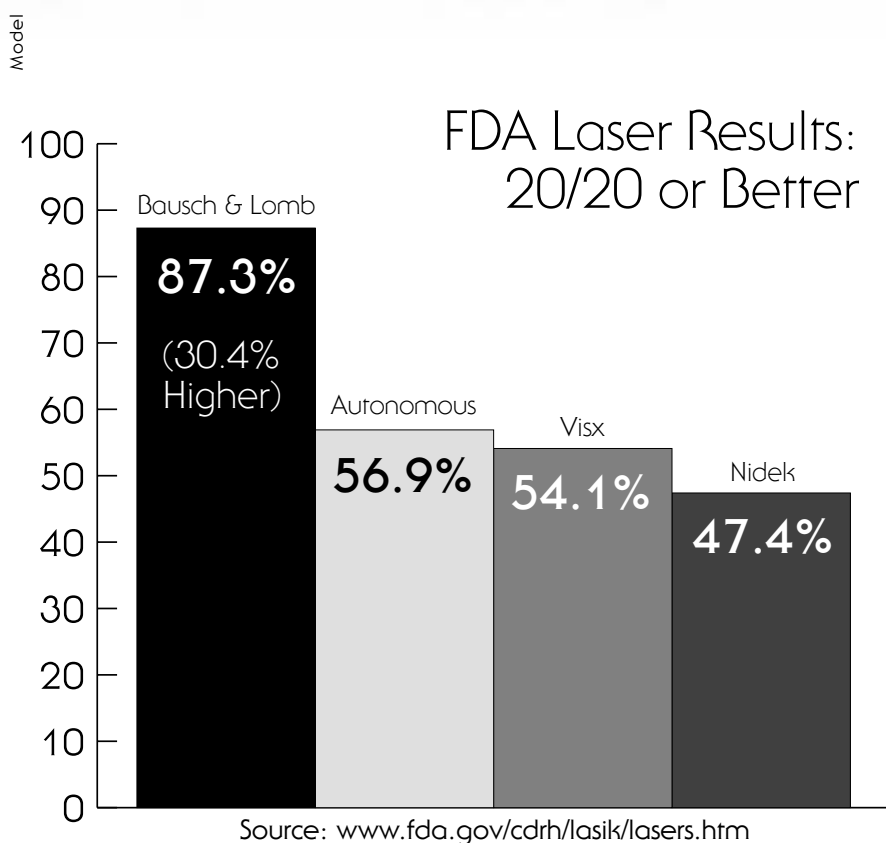
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One day Karen disappeared from San Diego without telling anybody. On this bright morning in Ramona, she explained how she'd tricked her abusive partner and

snuck away from him. To my knowledge, she hasn't seen him since.

Karen, who is 32, went to Ramona because she loves horses. Horse ranches of all sizes are everywhere in and around the community, and Karen found one that had a beat-up cabin being used only for storage. She talked the property's owner into letting her fix it up. Then she moved Pierre, her horse, up from Del Mar, where she had been keeping him in stables. He took over the pasture in back of her new digs.

Karen invited me on a tour of the ranch. When she whistled to Pierre from the pasture's fence, its old white paint peeling, he trotted to us and kicked up lots of dust as he came. His coat a deep brown color with a tinge of red, Pierre began sniffing for the



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Ramona

celery he knew Karen had brought with her.

We then fed the chickens and returned

to her tiny cabin, where a lame rottweiler dragged himself inside with us. "I'm

trying to break him of jumping on the bed with me," said Karen. Though she had a new boyfriend who lived in Rancho Santa Fe, Karen said, "I would like to stay by myself on the ranch until I become an old lady."

That day I helped Karen lug home a hundred pounds of horse pellets off a huge stack of bags in Kahoots Feed & Pet Supply on Main Street. "We have baby chicks," the store advertised near its front door. Afterward we went for an omelet at Kountry Kitchen, also on Main. Two years ago the restaurant's owner, Doreen Harvey, received correspondence from a Country Kitchen chain of restaurants demanding that she change the name of her place. Harvey ignored them.

We made one final stop down the street in

the Branding Iron store for Western wear and all things equine. A sign out front read, "Open when I'm here." Judy Eaton, who owns the store, said to me, "There are more horses in San Diego County than in the whole state of Texas." Meanwhile, Karen browsed, examining Stetsons, Western shirts, cowboy boots, horse blankets, bridle bits, reins, stirrups, and saddles. She wanted something to augment the outfitting she had for barrel-racing competitions she planned to enter in Ramona. Eventually she wanted to compete in the town's team roping events too.

But Karen's plans were cut short — at least temporarily. One night she drove herself to an emergency room complaining of terrible headaches. After puzzling a while over her

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suffering, doctors told her she had a brain inflammation caused by inhaling animal dander. She spent three weeks in the hospital. Then her boyfriend took her into his home for the year-long recovery doctors told her she faced.

I still like to drive into the East County hills to get away from city life. Though I haven't seen Karen again since she moved, I wouldn't be surprised if I spotted her riding her horse in Ramona again.

— Joe Deegan

#### MIDDLETOWN

Su-Mei called the city. That's what the fish guy said. "I'm Victor fucking Joseph, and if I wanna sell black pepper chicken, ain't nobody gonna stop me."

A squat keg of a man with a wet stogie in his face, Victor opened Captain's Galley only weeks before in what was briefly Wimpy's but remained best recognized by those in the know as what used to be Doodle Burgers. And on this block chock-full of restaurants, patrons and parking come at a premium.

See, old man Marquis built the block for his wife, or so the story goes. She was a stage actress of some renown; he erected for her in the middle of the block a theater; put her, its star, on the residential side in a house all her own; then populated the surrounding cottages with supporting actors and artisans. To support this fledgling troupe, restaurants were opened on the street down below.

The old man died, the stage lights went dark, and the star, she moved away. The restaurants stayed put. A noncompetition

clause each signed in their lease made some stick more than others.

Here's the deal: Gelato Vero sells coffee and Italian ice cream; the Greek Tycoon deals in the obvious cuisine, served too often with

raucous karaoke and late-night visions of Jimmy Durante in spandex; Shakespeare's keeps the lager on tap, along with all that fine British chuck — unique in that it actually has flavor; Su-Mei

owns Saffron, where she's all about Thai chicken; and directly next door, what the Captain's Galley's got is fish. And ain't nobody buying fish.

The lunchtime crowd is all about

chicken.

Victor don't understand. "My fish is fucking good. They don't wanna buy fish, fuck 'em." So he put a big sign on the sidewalk and started grilling chicken.

There's an ordinance preventing big signs from being put on the sidewalk, so Su-Mei called the city.

That's when the real row began.

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the one little stretch spanning Washington Street to Winder Street. All city metered, all monitored fiercely by the city's parking police. All but one, on the corner across from Gelato Vero.

People circle the block two, three, four times and more in an effort to land a slip to moor their mobiles, rarely holding out for that most coveted of slots.

Meanwhile, Victor's got a plan. "I'm gonna rent a bus, pick up 50 homeless people, and give 'em a dollar bill each," he says. "Lunchtime, I'm gonna line 'em up at Saffron's and have 'em go in and ask for change for a dollar."

Thinking is, that way he'll sell him some chicken.

But Victor's a good guy and he doesn't rent the bus. I hold out for the free space on the corner, but by the time I find it open, now some five years later, a meter marks its spot and the Captain's Galley is gone.

— Michael Steven Gregory

## SAN YSIDRO

Okay, okay, I know. San Ysidro. It's not a



Middletown

place, it's the blur just before you get to Mexico. It's humanity sluicing up and down through the World's Busiest Border. The tidal gate between the First and Third Worlds, as we put it in smugness and fear. San Ysidro is people spewing out of the trolley, headed for the next civilization just a few

yards away. Who cares about this little uncommunity of money changers and motels? San Ysidro is America's last gasp. It is parking lots with varying rates depending on the day of the week. It's signs like "U-Turn to USA." It's unfortunates being hauled into "Secondary." It's one-way gates you clank

through to take you to — *ba-da-boom!* — Latin America. It's elderly smokers and medicine-seekers braving customs so they can live *and* pay the rent. It's Mexican businessmen coming to maybe the busiest post office in San Diego to make their phone calls and check their mailboxes — it being

quicker to cross the border than to wait for the mail. It's motels collecting people for last, desperate shuttle trips to Tijuana cancer clinics. It's the rack of phones at the border McDonald's filled with sons, lovers, and mules saying, "It's okay. I made it."

There is only one word to describe this place: bedlam.

Or is there? I've got another: Brigadoon. The "other" San Ysidro is like a lost, ideal world kept invisible by its brazen alter ego. Who would know this was the birthplace of the 20th-century commune? Of a populist tradition associated more with San Francisco than San Diego?

The place was named after San Ysidro himself, the 12th-century patron saint of farmers who was so beloved of God that when he fell asleep the angels finished his plowing for him. He fits this other, sleepier San Ysidro. Walk through the older part of town. It feels 1940-ish. There's the barn housing San Ysidro Feed and Supply. There's the library in the linear park leading

up to the trolley. There's the San Ysidro Hotel under its great pine tree on San Ysidro Boulevard, with old boys like Jesús García, who used to work the lettuce fields, sitting in the afternoon sun on the little porch or fixing coffee in the large farm kitchen out back. They probably don't realize they're occupying the old Belcher ranch house, which has to be the poor twin of the Gaslamp's William Heath Davis house, "the oldest wooden structure in downtown San Diego." The Davis house was a saltbox prefabricated on the East Coast, shipped around the Horn, and assembled in San Diego in 1850. You think they packed just one? Boy, could the San Ysidro Hotel do with some of the love the Davis house has gotten.

But then the house is like the town, slightly forgotten. Who remembers that in Agua Caliente's heyday, the '40s and '50s, all of Hollywood stopped in San Ysidro on their way south. Rita Hayworth danced here. Ronald Reagan tarried for a tippie. Errol Flynn, Jack Dempsey,

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## *What To Do If You Are Stopped For Drunk Driving*

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Let's start with some basics. Driving while under the influence of alcohol or any other drug is antisocial behavior. The horror caused by the death or maiming of a loved one by a "drunk driver" is unthinkable. The pain caused by such an incident scars forever not only the victims but the drinking driver, who is usually a decent, law-abiding citizen. No sane person would want such a thing to happen, not even one time.

However, what if elected officials use this terrible blight on society as an excuse to whip the general public into a frenzy and to capitalize on the human misery flowing from this carnage, only for the purpose of getting votes in the next election? And what if other effective remedies to the Driving Under the Influence problem are ignored deliberately? Finally, what if the liquor and restaurant industries pay big bucks into the political coffers of these same elected officials or chapters of MADD to lobby against legislation directed at the liquor and restaurant industries' contribution to the problem?

"Control" is the key word. You will not wipe out DUI any more than you will wipe out any other disease. But a healthy body is a body in "control," and the same applies to a healthy society. Let's look at some facts. There is little doubt the 0.08 percent blood alcohol law is window dressing and avoids the real issues. The fact is 0.08 percent is so low a blood alcohol level that local police officers have told me they cannot possibly tell the difference between 0.07 percent and 0.08 percent based on objective symptoms during the roadside sobriety test. Consequently, if you admit to having had a drink or if the officer smells alcohol on your breath, you are going downtown for further tests, no matter how you do on the field sobriety test or roadside breath test. The foremost authority in the world on DUI, A. W. Jones from Sweden, refers to them on "monkey tests" and of no value in DUI testing.

So, why do these embarrassing roadside tests at all? Don't do them is my answer; don't ever take the so-called field sobriety test. First of all, it is not a sobriety test. It is a coordination test, and many people who clearly are not under the influence of alcohol simply are not coordinated. That's a fact. If they want to use a coordination test to measure sobriety, they should require you to take a similar test once each year to provide a baseline from which to measure your performance at roadside.

Secondly, the tests are subjective and the officer can conclude you failed even if you are the most coordinated person in the world. He later will tell the jury at trial that you did poorly to prove he was right in arresting you and bringing you downtown for further testing. Once downtown, your blood alcohol level may have increased and may, in fact, be 0.16 percent (over double the legal limit) or higher at that later point in time. Depending upon when you had your last food and drink of alcohol, however, you easily could have been 0.04 percent, 0.06 percent, or 0.07 percent blood alcohol level at the time you were driving. The only blood alcohol level that is relevant or important under the code is the blood alcohol level at the time of driving. The fact you are determined to be 0.08 percent or more at a later point in time does not automatically make you guilty of breaking the law, under CVC Section 23152B.

Furthermore, any conclusion to be drawn from a blood alcohol level assumes the machine is measuring accurately, which often times is not the case. In order to challenge the blood alcohol level, it becomes necessary to retain a competent attorney to point this out to the jury and to show the arresting officer is not an objective, detached third-party witness. He wants to see a conviction to vindicate his decision to arrest. Obviously, the officer will exaggerate and distort in order to prove his point, and he is able to do so because very few of the field sobriety tests truly are objective. Which raises another question: Instead of ordering the accused to recite the alphabet while the officer writes into the police record the alleged results, why not allow the accused to actually write the alphabet out in his own hand? This would be direct evidence of the accused's ability to demonstrate his dexterity and hand coordination directly to the jury. Taxpayers have purchased expensive video and audio taping equipment for our law enforcement agencies, but those agencies rarely use the equipment in driving under the influence cases, thereby denying the jury firsthand evidence of the accused's actual state of sobriety. Instead, the officer simply testifies before the jury about how badly the accused did on one test. He actually is telling the jury, "Trust me. I have no motive to lie. If I say he did badly, that should be enough for you." When I asked a local television moderator to question the police about what happened to those 16 expensive video cameras donated to the San Diego Police Department by Aetna Insurance and which the local newspapers touted as the "doom of drunk drivers," the local police person said, "They are all broke." Right! And I just saw Elvis last week, too.

The fact is the officer does have a motive to lie, and, sadly, stretching the truth to gain a conviction seems to be the rule, rather than the exception. A retiring CHP officer recently interviewed for an investigator position with my firm told me he could double his annual salary by \$50,000 working overtime making court appearances in DUI cases. He lamented that he disliked working nights because it required him to ride with a partner. This veteran CHP officer explained that if he stopped a suspected DUI and formed the opinion following the field sobriety test that the driver was not DUI, very often his patrol partner, eager for overtime, would say, "If you don't take him downtown, I will." Doesn't a \$50,000 increase in one's annual salary provide a motive to lie about performance on the field sobriety test? Police officers and overzealous young prosecutors often are heard around the courthouse rationalizing less-than-candid police officer testimony in marginal cases saying, "If they were not drinking and driving, they wouldn't be in trouble in the first place." That may be MADD's law, but it is not the law in any state of this United

States. A public policy saying "The end justifies the means" didn't work for the communists and it won't work in a free society.

For these reasons, if you are stopped, do not take these trick roadside sobriety tests, and if you are a juror, demand to see the written alphabet, video/audio tape recordings, or other firsthand evidence of impairment. It is very easy to provide. The law is a search for the truth and should not be a witch hunt guided by hysteria, half-truths, and self-serving statements of the arresting officer.

Recently, a San Diego police officer told me as part of his training he was required to attend a school on the breath machine. He was amazed when a fellow officer was administered known amounts of alcohol in an effort to demonstrate the workings of the alcohol breath-testing machine. What amazed him was he saw the officer consume seven gin and tonics, yet the breath results registered only 0.04 percent, well below the legal limit. I saw the same thing occur in alcohol studies I attended in forensic laboratories in Los Angeles, and it illustrates my point. If the officer weighed 200 pounds and each drink he consumed was one ounce, the resulting blood alcohol level should be 0.13 percent. So, either the machine was testing improperly or the officer was tested right after drinking and before the alcohol fully was absorbed into his blood stream. That is exactly what happens to the citizen who is stopped just as he is leaving a bar. He is 0.04 percent or 0.05 percent and "OK" to drive at that point in time, but 30 minutes to two hours later, as the alcohol becomes absorbed into his blood stream, he increases his blood alcohol level to 0.12 percent or 0.14 percent, over the legal limit. Incredible, but true. Because of this physiological phenomenon we see people convicted of driving under the influence even though they are not guilty of violating the 0.08 percent law "per se." Thousands upon thousands of people every day plead guilty based on a chemical test result over 0.08, never knowing they actually are innocent.

The statistics from the National Traffic Safety Council state that 80 percent of the DUI-related fatalities are caused by 10 percent of the DUI drivers. We in the trade call them the "Gamma Alcoholics." These are sick people who repeatedly go through the court's revolving door, each time coming out a little more stripped of their social status, and each time coming out a little more dangerous to the rest of us. That is because no one in the present system of justice has addressed adequately the causes for this continual abuse of alcohol. Elected officials insist on making public policy decisions that look good to the voters but are not good for society. Instead of providing state resources for "Social Model Alcohol Rehabilitation Houses," which have as much as an 82 percent non-recidivist rate and cause alcohol abusers to stop drinking for life, they'd rather lock them up in jails where they get no help for their drinking problem.

The biggest injustice, however, is the cruel, callous disregard our lawmakers show for the rights of the thousands of 0.05 percent and 0.06 percent drivers who are arrested for DUI and eventually blow over 0.08 percent 30 minutes to two hours after they were driving. These people are in truth, and in fact, innocent of Driving Under the Influence, but because of a misdirected emphasis by the government, these hapless individuals must hire an attorney competent in this area of the law and science, and pay for the services of a medical doctor or toxicologist if they hope to have any chance of avoiding huge fines, jail time and a very serious criminal record. And remember, these are ordinary citizens just like you and me who go to work every day, play by the rules, yet still find themselves charged with a serious crime (not just a traffic infraction) and are treated by the courts just as if they committed a robbery or carjacking. And what's worse, it's on their record for the rest of their lives, not just the 7-10 years the judge tells them.

When you see the great number of new liquor licenses being issued to small gas station convenience stores who easily can sell beer and wine to young drivers; when you see the bright lights advertising liquor and encouraging people to drink because alcohol sales make up 80 percent of the net profit for the restaurant business and provide a huge tax base for our state; when you also consider only two beers can equal a 0.08 percent blood alcohol level in a small person, you must ask yourself whose pockets are being lined to keep the law enforcement and legislative emphasis on the citizen who has just consumed a couple of "after-dinner" drinks and is snagged by a cop "who just happened to be cruising by" and noticed the license plate light was not properly illuminating the license plate as the driver was pulling out of a restaurant's parking lot to go home. To make matters worse, the United States Supreme Court in 1996 held that an attorney cannot challenge the subjective motive of an officer for making a traffic stop in open court. This means that if a police officer wants to pull you over only because he saw you exit a bar and figures you've been drinking, he can use the fact that your license plate is not properly illuminated as a basis to stop you and smell your breath to see if you exhibit the odor of alcohol. Under this Supreme Court decision his real motive in stopping you cannot be challenged. This decision encourages perjury (a felony) and is a national disgrace. Every right-thinking American should hang his head in shame over *Whren v. United States*. (Continued on [www.MrDUI.com](http://www.MrDUI.com).)

Learn what the government doesn't want you to know. For example, what is the real "burden of proof" in a DUI jury trial, not the one the court or prosecutor will give you? Find out what "proof beyond a reasonable doubt" really means, not legal mumbo-jumbo. Look at a checklist on what to do to keep from being pulled over for drunk driving drawn up by the most experienced and oldest "DUI only" attorney in San Diego County. Finally, find out how to keep your driver's license if stopped for a DUI. Go to [www.MrDUI.com](http://www.MrDUI.com) for the rest of the story.

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racehorse owners — name them, they stopped at places like Grady's Keg.

But before that came the idealism. Joyce Hettich knew some of the dreamers. She's a relative new-

comer. Started teaching here on September 9, 1945. She is 98.

"We can all thank William Smythe," she says. "Smythe Avenue is named after him."

William Ellsworth Smythe turned up a

hundred years ago. He was a sophisticated New Englander with connections all the way to Washington, D.C. But he had seen life in cities on both coasts, a few wealthy winners and millions of disillu-

sioned losers toiling their lives away in hopelessness. As he told audiences countless times, he had another idea.

"A little land and a living, surely, is better than a desperate strug-

gle and wealth, possibly."

Smythe dreamt of creating the "Little Landers," a middle-class agrarian society on the outskirts of San Diego where every family had an acre —

enough to survive on, with surplus produce to sell in the city. Days would be spent working the crops, evenings at mutual education and philosophy meetings. He meant to nurture body and spirit.

His idea worked. Starting in 1908, San Ysidro's fertile river lands bloomed, from Smythe Avenue down to the Tijuana River between I-5 and the border. Around 300 families came, city folk who knew little about farming but learned, grew, and mostly prospered. They delivered their surpluses to their market at Sixth and C in downtown San Diego. They built houses. They gathered in the evenings for classes, inspirational talks, and the study of philosophy with people Smythe brought in. It was the century's first commune. And it might still be here if they had worked out ways to control the river. As it was, the flood of 1916 knocked the stuffing out of the experiment.

But a lot of the houses they built survive around East Park Avenue, where the library and the senior center sit in the greenery. Joyce Hettich's adobe stands on a Little Lander lot. The community that grew up around it is intact. Now the City of Villages idea looks about to hit Old Town San Ysidro. Let's hope that the attention doesn't do what decades of neglect failed to: destroy the town in order to save it.

"They want to move our beautiful library across the freeway," complains Joyce. "Why would they do that?"

— Bill Manson

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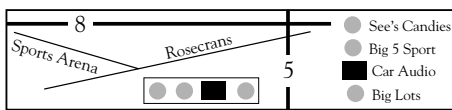
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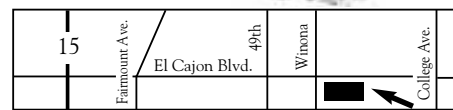
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neighborhood was a secret refuge for odd people.

The cheap apartments were rented by hardworking families busy raising more kids than they could afford. The run-down houses were rented by gangs of dyed-hair, malcontent, creative misfits busy making good music, bad paintings, or brash claims of writing their generation's *On the Road*.

But that South Park is disappearing.

The families and artistes are being displaced by more homogeneous people, people able and eager to pay \$450,000 for a tiny California bungalow or Craftsman house built 80 years ago on a crumbling slab of homemade concrete.

But I still dig South Park.

Where I live, no major high-volume road cuts apart the



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'hood. People can cross the street without becoming dead. The sprawling, amoeba-shaped Balboa Park

Municipal Golf Course and dozens of grid-busting canyons have made a rabbit warren of the streets. Almost

daily, drivers of SUVs with kids strapped into seats staring at TV screens pull over to beg me for directions out

of the maze.

Where I live, I can buy a handmade Bolivian sweater or a novel by a local author in the Grove at Juniper, and next door I can join 50 people spilling out of the doorway of M-Theory Music and dancing on the sidewalk while amped-up, guitar-wielding former members of the band Convoy have at it inside the dinky store.

Where I live, the Whistle Stop Bar welcomes dogs. As I drink pints of Stone porter, Dude, my golden retriever, sprawls on the concrete floor, his head inches from the red water bowl, and I pretend I'm in Ireland. Knitters are welcome here too. Some Sunday afternoons Dude and I are joined by swarms of women (and a few men) who occupy every barstool and table and pump dollars into one of the three

best jukeboxes in San Diego. While Curtis Mayfield or the Pretenders or Ray Charles provides the soundtrack, these people chat and laugh and knit scarves, afghans, and sweaters.

Where I live, I can enjoy a veggie omelet at the Big Kitchen, dining with a life-size cardboard cutout of Jerry Garcia. I can stare at the local-celeb memorabilia and photos and fan letters thumbtacked three layers deep on the walls. Or I can join other customers in a discussion of the Bush Doctrine, and American jihad versus Muslim jihad.

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— David Boyne

## VALLEY CENTER

At the end of a winding asphalt road, past boulders and gated ranches, past riotous tumbles of magenta bougainvillea, past dirt roads that disappear into orange groves dappled with midday sun, you'll find Peter Schaner. On the back porch of a rambling farmhouse, Schaner sits in a wooden chair and shoos the five dogs milling about. He tends to Joseph, the youngest of his eight children. He talks



South Park

about his life as a farmer.

In a quiet corner of Valley Center, far away from the Harrah's casino and the rows of

new tract homes along Cole Grade Road, Schaner, his wife Kayne, and his brother-in-law John farm 22 acres of hill-

side and bottomland. "We grow for the farmers' markets," Schaner explains. "We've got about 90 varieties of fruit trees. Any time of

year, we can pick fruit. We use the bottomland for veggies."

Schaner has a farmer's hard hands, a trim salt-and-pepper beard, shrewd but kind eyes. Watching him talk, you get the sense he could handle a tricky irrigation problem, a stubborn goat, or a recalcitrant child with the same quiet competence. "Right now, we're harvesting onions and garlic, Valencia oranges, sweet lemons, and avocados," he says. "We're planting the summer crops: eggplant, squash, tomatoes, basil."

Schaner's days follow a farmer's schedule, a farmer's order. "Mondays, we do planting and weeding and cultivating and pruning. Basic farming duties. Tuesdays, we do market prep: picking and packing. On Wednesdays, I go up to the farmers' market in

Santa Monica. We have a great relationship with a lot of the restaurants who buy from the market.

"Thursdays, we do more farming. Friday is market prep. On Saturdays, John goes to the farmers' markets in Pacific Beach and Del Mar."

Schaner and his family raise animals as well. "We keep goats for milk, turkeys for meat for other people, and steer and pigs for meat for ourselves. We have chickens for eggs."

He didn't just fall into farming. "I was born and raised in Placentia," Schaner says. "On a small family farm. It's still there, right in the middle of the city." After earning a biology degree from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Schaner moved to Valley Center. He bought the original 12 acres in



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1984, then added the other 10 in 1991.

Schaner worries about the growth in Valley Center. “It’s still pretty rural,” he notes. “But we’ve seen how it’s getting built up, especially along Cole

Grade Road. People who move in and buy houses a lot of times don’t understand agriculture. For instance, we use chicken manure to fertilize. It’s smelly. New people might not like the smell.

“If you stop growing your food locally,” he continues, “then you end up getting it from Third World countries. Their methods of growing aren’t as structured or careful. They use pesticides

that we’ve banned. They don’t have agencies to enforce rules. So the quality of what you’re getting is risky.”

Schaner sees the farmers’ market as a symbiotic relationship between farmer and

consumer. “When you grow for direct-to-consumer as opposed to the packing house, you actually see the people who benefit from your work. Both parties appreciate and support each other. You see the

full circle. It’s a complete relationship.” When you leave Peter Schaner, he sends you away with bunches of spring garlic and sweet red onions and a bag full of dark green avocados. The musky smell fills the car on the winding road back home.

— Leslie Ryland

**UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS**

Hey, Guys:  
A few pitches for University Heights promotion... The business district runs between signs (“The Boulevard” to “Normal Heights”), about the last third of Park and the beginning of Adams:

- “Let’s Go to Breakfast!” or “Brunch: It’s Not Just Sunday Anymore...” (Cafe on Park, Gulf Coast Grill, Parkhouse Eatery, Adams Avenue Grill, Antique Row Cafe, am I missing anybody?)

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- “Just Say No to Home Depot” (Rugs, Antiques, Tables, and Chairs in Asian, Classic, Contemporary, Retro, Modern)

- “Who Says We’re Anti-American?” (Multilingual restaurants include Persian, Korean, Vegetarian, non-Old Town Mexican, non-Little Italy Italian, plus Soup or Salad!)

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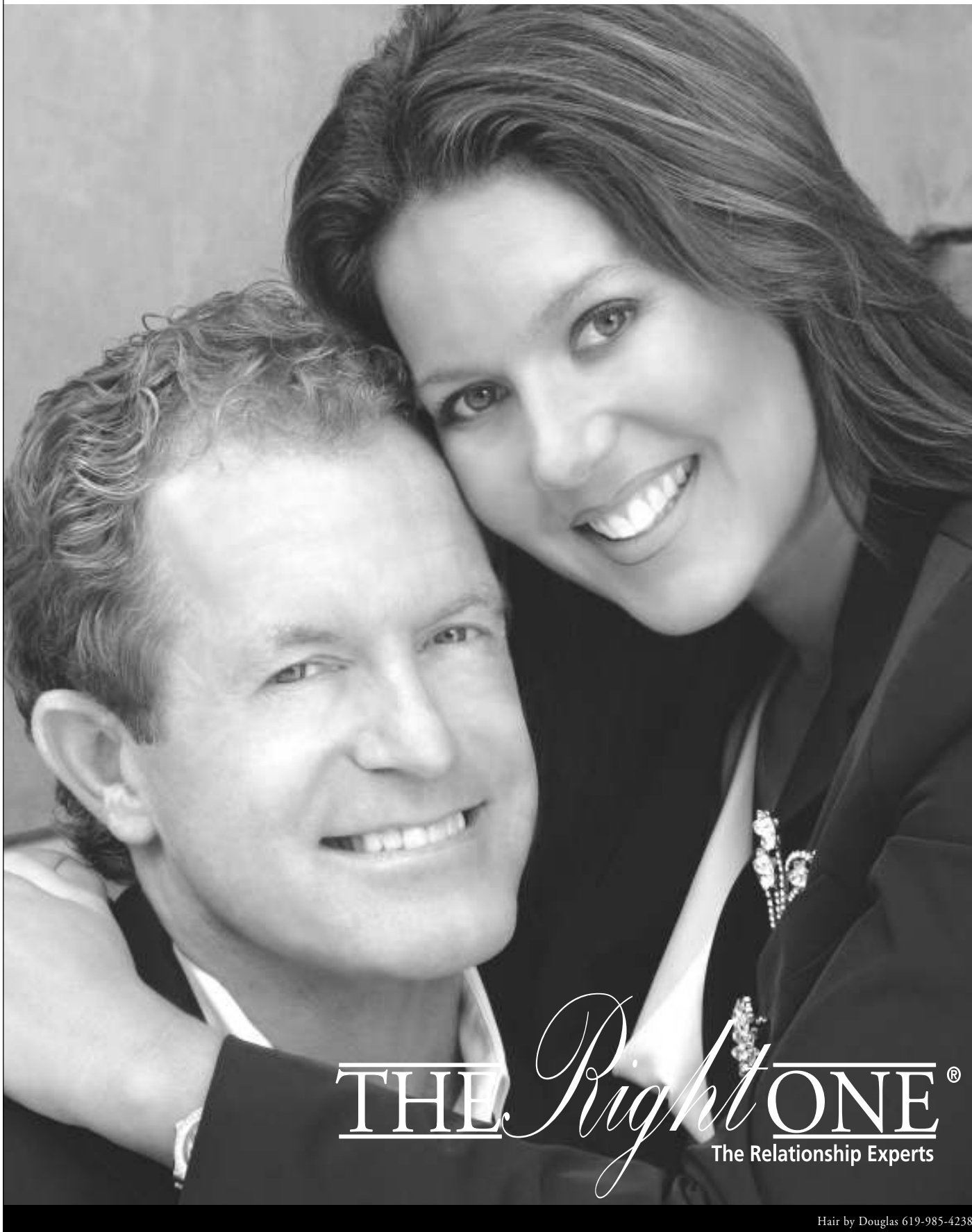
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## LEMON GROVE

I wrote under “Future Plans” in my 1978 high school yearbook: “Moving to Lemon Grove.” I’d never been west of the last Stuckey’s in St. Louis, but I’d just clipped a magazine article pitching the Grove’s purported “Best Climate on Earth,” which sounded pretty cool to a kid who’d just had to scrape a frozen cat off the car hood.

The article had little useful info, being culled from *High*

*Times* and mainly concerned with marijuana cultivation, but I figured I’d wing it and went searching for the giant lemon that

looked so impressively kitschy in magazine photos. The fiberglass lemon (a float from a 1928 parade) repeats on its pedestal that chimerical promise of the planet’s most perfect weather. It’s been moved about 100 yards from where I found it in 1980, now sitting at the corner of Main and Broadway, still kitschy enough to be described by one wag as “the biggest and most ostentatious fruit on Broadway since Nathan Lane.”

Lemon Grove’s very name conjures up the citrus orchards from which the community sprang in 1892, though a Google search reveals that L.G. wasn’t incorporated until 1977. Now the town has an even mix of businesses and residences and a racial mix of whites, Hispanics, and blacks, thanks to a community focus on “acceptance and diversity,” proudly proclaimed on many of those same Googled hits, most of which sprinkle “best climate on earth” somewhere among the first few keywords. The cyber-saturation of this motto/sales pitch evinces a savvy civic PR campaign far more alluring and ultimately effective than a giant fiberglass lemon would at first have you believe.

I’ve spent a lot of time about a block north of the lemon, at the trolley station on the west side of Lemon



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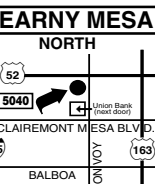
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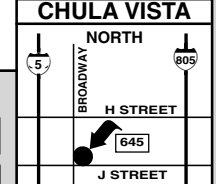


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I haven’t had to scrape a frozen cat off anything in Lemon Grove, though a fox once appeared in the back yard and tried to eat my pet duck. He was a very fat duck, and even friends kinda



University Heights

drooled when they saw him. Possums and snakes showed up regularly to chase him around his kiddie pool,

and once I was pushing him into the garage when a skunk jumped out from behind the door to spray us both,

inspiring an endless tirade of quacking invectives as the duck blamed me for herding him into the line of

fire. That’s a lot of wildlife for an increasingly urbanized tract of land (explaining why the duck slept in a garage). The duck was technically “wildlife” too, at least by county standards, and illegal to keep as a pet. I still managed to find plenty for him to eat at Lemon Grove Pets on Broadway. They specialize in reptiles who also drooled at the sight of my duck, including large and feisty trade-ins from owners who’d grown frightened of their angry, hissing, ever-expanding dragons.

I took my feathered friend into every Asian restaurant in Lemon Grove and asked, “Do you serve duck?” Not a single one was willing to bring him a plate of broccoli and rice — though a few, between drools, offered to buy him! So much for

acceptance and diversity.

— Jay Allen Sanford

## CITY HEIGHTS

A temple has been erected on the spot where I lived on Central Avenue.

A small band of brown-robed Vietnamese monks purchased the lot from my landlord and turned the old bungalow into a Buddhist prayer hall. It is now a two-tiered pagoda fronted by a large statue of Kwan Yin and four gray pillars topped with lions.

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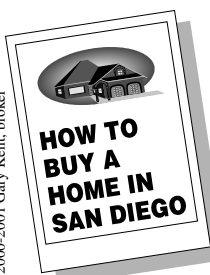
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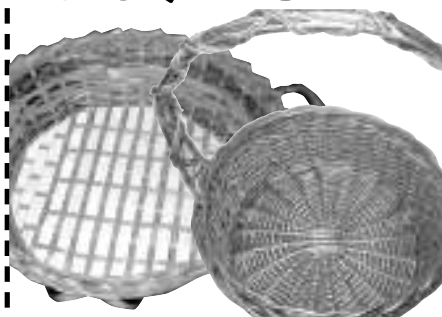
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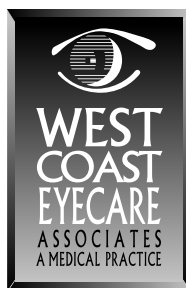
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lage.” But the soul of Mid-City might be better represented by its churches and places of meditation — a good four dozen I found, ranging from stately structures to converted houses and storefronts — ministering to every ethnic community.

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statues of the saints, and icons of the stations, the church displays an image of Our Lady of Guadalupe and a plaque commemorating the 117 Vietnamese martyrs.

A little east is Fairmount Baptist Church, which shares its home with the First Haitian Christians and its annex with the Iglesia Bautista Evangelica. The congregation at St. Mark's Episcopal prays before a display window to the street. Farther on are the Sudanese Presbyterians and the Medhanielem Ethiopian Church, the latter hosted by Faith Lutheran. You'll find various Apostolics, Assemblies, Pentecostals, Fellowships, Christ Churches and their Hispanic counterparts, along with some unanticipated brethren such as Cambodian Baptists and Vietnamese Methodists

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and Seventh-Day Adventists. There are three more Eastern Orthodox churches, including San Gabriel Ethiopian. And what neighborhood would be complete without a Kingdom Hall and its nattily dressed Witnesses?

A second Vietnamese Buddhist temple occupies a pair of yellow-and-brown houses in East San Diego, and a Chinese temple overlooks the eastward trend of University Avenue. For Cambodian Buddhists there's the "old temple" (used primarily by the earlier Khmer refugees) and the more ornate "new temple" (whose members speak Khmer,

Lao, or Thai).

Atop the patch of hill known as Little Mogadishu, where Somalis, Afghans, and other Muslims have clustered, there are two unassuming mosques, one identifiable by the shoe cubbies outside.

You can hardly walk down a street or turn a corner without running into some religious community. You may be strolling through a quiet residential block or in a retail center when you're suddenly accosted by a pair of bicyclists in shirt and tie asking about your salvation.

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passes the Golden Triangle (Highway 52 on the south and the I-5 and I-805 merge on the north) as well as much land around UCSD, the biotech firms on North Torrey Pines Road, and portions just east of I-805 near Mira Mesa Boulevard. According to *San Diego* magazine, three times more people live in north University City than in south University City. (In group terms, that's students/researchers versus families/retirees.) Traffic tie-ups are regular now at Genesee and I-5 and on Gene-



Lemon Grove

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see from Nobel Drive south to the 52. Along this stretch, condos grow unmercifully.

Every weekday afternoon, the cars flee the offices and the malls of UTC, Costa

Verde, and Eastgate. Seventy-five percent of the traffic on Genesee is "through movement," that is, nonlocal. Cars nose toward freeways and queue; in the argot of traffic engineers, intersections fail. It's gotten so

bad that the community is polarized: you're either with the traffic-congestion relievers or you're with the traffic congestion.

To ease the crush, a bridge to connect Regents Road over Rose Canyon is being

studied, a possibility most who live on the south and west sides of University City oppose. Including Debby Knight. Knight, who chairs Friends of Rose Canyon, meets me where Regents dead-ends on the south side of the canyon, just two blocks north of Governor. Knight is a tanned and talkative woman who leads walks into Rose Canyon Open Space Park, one of only ten such parks in the city. She has me look across the canyon to the other end of Regents, just above the railroad tracks, home of the Coaster. The breach is a good quarter mile.

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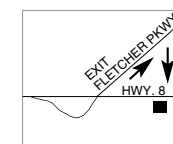
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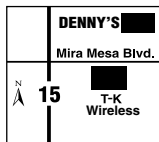
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As we descend into Knight's "pristine Rose Canyon," I ask what'll be lost. The habitat of red-shouldered hawks and great horned owls; a five-year native-plant restoration project; field trips for elementary schoolkids; paths worn by joggers, bikers, hikers.

Instead of this bridge, other proposals seek to widen Genesee from four lanes to six or to build a "grade separation," a tunnel

that shunts north-south traffic under the intersection at Genesee and Governor. Knight abhors these alternatives. In fact, alternatives only ensure the community will battle itself over a cynical rationale: "Don't give us the bad-road project; give another part of the community the bad-road project."

Developer George Lattimer is past president of the University City Community Planning Group, an advisory body of 18 members split between residents and businesspeople or landowners, 5 of whom live outside the community. Lattimer lives in La Jolla and, with his wife, owns an office building in north University City. He tells me by phone that the congestion is unstoppable for now, since the

community — 95 percent "built out" — must abide by its 1987 approved community plan. Already in the wings are 2100 new dwellings (the majority condos), 3.25 million square feet of nonresidential buildings, and a half million square feet of structures at UCSD, whose student population will top out at 30,000. University City, he says, is San Diego's biggest success: the 150 high-tech and telecom businesses and the research done at UCSD are "the engine of this region's economy."

And yet, like Knight, Lattimer has seen traffic issues "massively divide" the community. He, too, favors none of the bridge or road-widening solutions, because for him the primary problem is "getting

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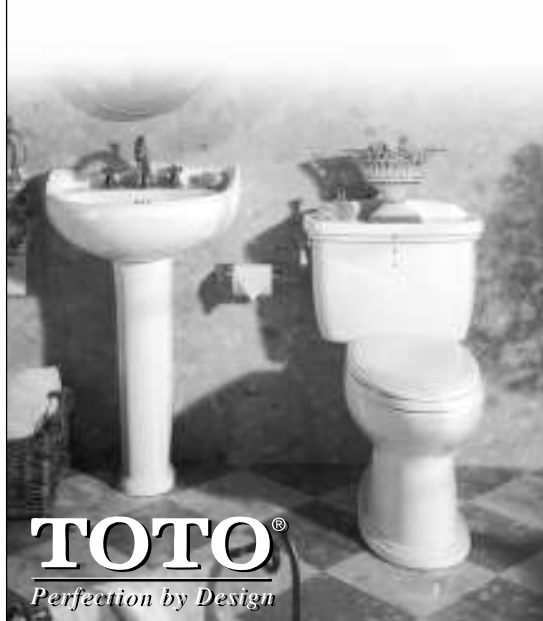
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onto and off of the freeways." He points out that the Regents bridge may shift cars from one part of University City to another, but it won't improve traffic flow onto 52. Drivers will still have to stop at a ramp meter, the cars will back up into University City, and the Governor-Genesee problem will have been largely reproduced in another location. In short, the problem is the number of cars, not how they are routed.

Lattimer contends that in University City "through movement" is remaking our idea of community. University City has morphed from a suburban enclave into an urban one; only 46,000 people live there while 80,000 nonresidents arrive daily for jobs or shopping. University City now serves *that*

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peninsula, a mere spit, an almost isthmus, a gestural jut of land that, at its thinnest, could be transnavigated by the throw of a stone. Pretty distinguishing. Pretty cool. And then there's the unique infrastructure: only one single road — Mission Boulevard — threads north-south through the neighborhood, and that boulevard's crisscrossed by 60 tiny courts and places named for waterside communities in other areas: Nantasket, Portsmouth, Redondo, Rockaway, even Venice. Predominantly, Mission Beach is a maze of alleyways and patios angling between two beachside



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City Heights

boardwalks.

I don't know about you, but I'm always hard-pressed to say

precisely where something is in Mission Beach. "Um, it's on the left side, before the

roller coaster, about halfway down." And I never drive there, not if I can help it, not

unless I'm ready to crawl in traffic. Anyway, the only way to really see the place, to

get the true feel of it, is to walk or skateboard, to Rollerblade or ride your bicycle.

Actually the best view in Mission Beach, and therefore the best perspective from which to see it all, is afforded from the top of the Giant Dipper at Belmont Park. It's one of those ancient, rattling, wooden coasters, and its 80th anniversary (notwithstanding the 14 years it was shut down) will be next Fourth of July.

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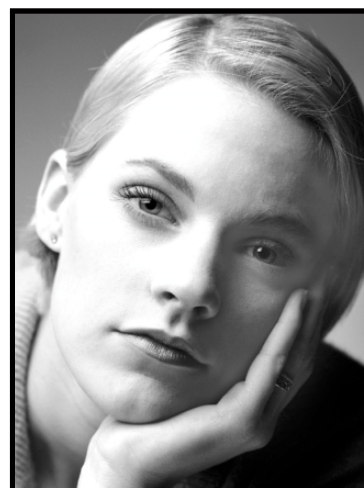
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largest indoor pool in Southern California. Nowadays it's just a nice big indoor pool.

It's a fact that there are almost no cheap houses in Mission Beach. This reality dates back to the original 1914 plan that drew up the neighborhood as a resort community. That plan won honors at the Second Annual Exhibition of Landscape Architects in 1925. Even today, a height-control mandate has kept all the architecture in Mission Beach under 30 feet. That's why no building in the whole vicinity is taller than three stories.

Somehow Mission Beach has been lucky enough to avoid the clipped nomenclature that afflicts its neighbors to the north and south. There's the often misunderstood

"P.B." and the suggestive and atrocious "O.B.," but you'll never hear anyone mention "M.B." Wonder why that is?

As far as Mission Beach's claims to fame go, even this community's name reminds us of a piece of San Diego's history, of the mission that Father Junípero Serra embarked upon in 1769 to establish the first Spanish church in Alta California. And in 1927 Charles Lindbergh's *Spirit of St. Louis* passed directly over Belmont Park — which, at the time, was called the Mission Beach Amusement Center. In archival aerial pictures of this event, you can see old Mission Beach, proudly glittering with its dinosaurian roller coaster slicing a figure far below.



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University City

I like Mission Beach most of all, I think, for the sheer

option of shoreline. It's the one place in San Diego where I can

stake a wide swath of sand and have it all to myself all day. Or, if it's too cool and windy on the ocean side, there's always placid Mission Bay, a stone's throw away.

— Geoff Bouvier

## JULIAN

We ascended toward Julian through the Cuyamacas. It was spring, but the air was crisp and clouds hinted at possibilities. The scenery was lush and green, but soon the landscape changed. The burnt hillsides, the blackened trees, the birdless air appeared ravaged by war. Pines that had survived the fires were dead or dying from beetle infestation. There was not even the occasional wildlife until at last a single crow settled on a blackened bough. When Julian sprang

into view, it was like an oasis. Locust trees on Main Street bloomed, and white petals perfumed the air and edged the road with snowlike drift. Gardens were radiant with flowers; in the parking lot by the lodge a mountain lilac wafted an intoxicating scent.

Is Julian a community or a Seaport Village that closes after the last tourist leaves? The façade idea rang true when we went out on Thursday night; Main Street was deserted except for a teenager whose appetite for the world was illuminated by the blue light of his cell phone. Friday morning was a different story. The Julian Coffee & Tea House was filled with teachers, administrators, apple farmers, service workers, retirees, and students. I

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asked Dana Horton and Hannie Horner, who were cramming for a physics exam, what it was like to live in a town with a population of 3500. Hannie said she had horses to occupy her, but for some kids there weren't enough things to do. When I asked what they do on a Friday night, Dana volunteered, "You get out of Julian. Many people go down the hill to the Mira Mesa theaters." They both claim that there are advantages to living in Julian, including the lack of crime and knowing everyone in town.

When fire chief Kevin Dubler came in for his croissant sandwich, I asked him if he thought there was more sense of community since the fires. He offered that the community was more frac-



Mission Beach

PHOTOGRAPH BY DEREK PLANK

tionalized because of disputes over property lines and sprinkler systems. He said one-

third of Julian's population had suffered property loss, which affected the commu-

nity in a number of ways, including a loss by the fire district of property-tax benefit

fees. People are encountering so many difficulties trying to rebuild, he fears they may end up relocating. Dubler said, "Julian will always be a fire hazard" — a situation exacerbated by the drought and the pine bark beetle infestation.

At the north end of town in an antique store, Vinona scoffed at the question "Is Julian a real community?" A native of Julian, Vinona attended a one-room schoolhouse. When her family moved to Point Loma, she vowed she'd return to Julian when she retired. Vinona says she hates the winters and she goes "uptown" only to attend the Catholic church. Each morning Vinona greets the members of her family who are buried across the street in the Pio-

neer Cemetery.

Rick Campbell of the Birdwatcher said that it's not clear how the fire has affected the bird population, but feeders behind his store still attract red-winged blackbirds, acorn woodpeckers, white-crowned sparrows, lesser goldfinches, scrub jays, Steller's jays, nuthatches, and black-headed grosbeaks. When I commented that the pine beetle blight was encircling Julian, Campbell pointed out that photos from 1890 show a different Julian, one without pine trees. Everything changes, even in Julian. After the fire, Campbell felt that Julian was one contiguous community with San Diego because of the outpouring of help. "If we said we needed shov-

## RESEARCH STUDIES



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- Waking up too early in the morning
- Unrefreshing sleep

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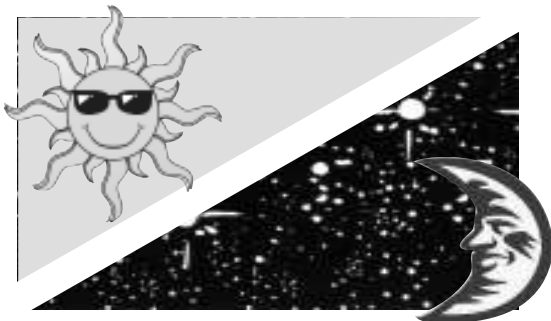
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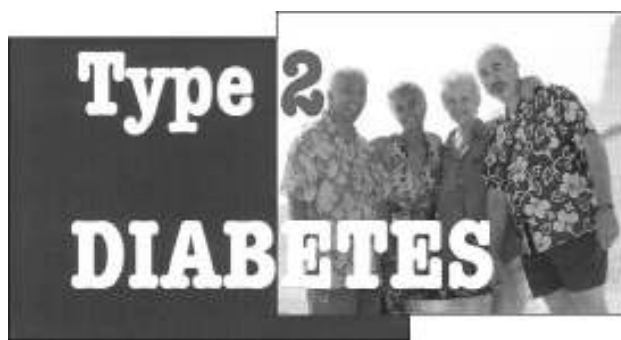
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els, the next day hundreds would be delivered to the town hall."

In Lucia's Natural Sundries, I spoke with Lucia, who makes the fragrant candles in the

shop, and Nadine, whose art is displayed in the coffee shop.

Nadine said that the fire created worldwide empathy; the recovery center received hand-

made dolls from Japan. "Go down to the post office," she said. "The bulletin board is covered with offers like 'Come and dig up our trees if yours burned

down.' "

Both women moved to Julian for the slower pace. Lucia was looking for the extended family she lacked. "Here," she

said, "the community as a whole rears the children." The downside, they agreed, is that you can't hide much in this town.

Is Julian a commu-

nity? When Nadine was deciding whether to move here she was told, "Julian is full of Mormons, Lutherans, Catholics, and devout heathens, and we all get along." Nadine says, "Returning from the city, the closer I get to home the more at peace I feel."

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On the surface, Carmel Valley is not the most charming town. It is a village of strivers: young professionals pushing to move up the ladder, students scrambling for accolades, parents and high schoolers pumping away at health clubs. In Carmel Valley there are no historical buildings, only long curving strips of Pardee tract housing. There are no colorful residences, thanks to homeowners' association dictates. Carmel Valley is almost — not quite — on the water. Consequently, this neighborhood is a station, a station where twentysomethings hope they can afford to stop and raise children and send those children to school, where fiftysomethings hope to leave for the harbors of Del Mar or La Jolla.

Despite all this, though, Carmel Valley succeeds at its modest intention: to be a suburb. Carmel Valley is about kids and schools and cul-de-sacs with basketball hoops. As a college student away from home for the first time, I know that it's possible to be nostalgic about this town.

I feel this most at Powerline Park, the playground above Torrey Pines High School. Like much of Carmel Valley, it's a figment of early '90s construction: two great rings of sand, plastic slides, a bulbous orange climbing structure. The tire

swing is rusted, and the swings were removed years ago. The park brims with clichés: a father spotting a six-year-old on the monkey bars, a girl in a red dress tugging a butterfly kite, a gleaming line of minivans

and station wagons on their way to or from orthodontists and vets and soccer practices. At the back of the park, hidden behind a few concrete picnic tables, is a trailhead. When I was younger, my sister Emma and I

would duck under the metal barrier that closes the path to vehicles and scramble down a rutted hill into the canyon, one of a few that crease the Carmel Valley landscape. Though our wild slopes were

fringed with houses and power lines hissed overhead, we felt like adventurers. Emma and I pushed through the chaparral in search of small clearings, each one a potential clubhouse. We crept up on lizards that scampered

into the underbrush. The day we saw a horseback rider below us at the bottom of the canyon, I felt we were part of the American West. My New York-bred parents missed the lush north-eastern forests; I fell in

love with yellow cacti flowers and the small, shiny leaves of Carmel Valley foliage. I'm sure my classmates who grew up in Palo Alto, Andover, or Potomac could make arguments about the superiority of their

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Having grown up in Mira Mesa, I had lots of friends in Scripps Ranch. It was our neighboring community, and in the '80s the kids there all went to Mira Mesa High School because Scripps Ranch High hadn't been built.

Whenever I found out one of my classmates lived in Scripps Ranch, I always thought "rich kid." And if I went to his house, through the winding streets lined with trees, I would be surprised that some of the houses didn't look much different from those in Mira Mesa, although others were gigantic and beautiful, especially the ones that lined Lake Miramar. That's the lake where we always went fishing as kids, even though we never caught

anything.

In last year's fires, Scripps Ranch lost almost 300 homes. Residents have wondered about the reconstruction and how bad that will make traffic on Pomerado Road, but traffic on that road has always been bad. It's the main artery (one lane in each direction) to I-15 from a lot of residential areas.

Right there on Pomerado, near the 15, is Alliant International University. When it was USIU I used to

play basketball there. Junior Seau and Doug Flutie of the Chargers would show up to play. One time Flutie threw a perfect pass down-court to a guy who scored a layup. Someone yelled, "That's the only pass you've thrown all year that's been caught." On the Mondays after games, Flutie's elbows would often be bandaged and occasionally he'd be limping. But he'd still be one of the best players on the court. Playing against professional athletes was one

of the few times I dreaded "shirts and skins." For you nonathletes, that's where one team has to play without shirts so teammates can be distinguished. You realize you need to start working out when you look at Seau's chiseled body and are afraid to even glance down at your own gut. It was mornings when some of the Chargers showed up there, as well as a few former NBA players, including former all-star Don Kojis, who, even

though he was in his 60s, blocked three of my shots in a row.

Scripps Ranch's history started with newspaperman E.W. Scripps. He came to California in 1890 to see his sister in Alameda. He visited San Diego, liked the climate, and built a home he called Miramar. He and his half-sister Ellen Browning Scripps bought 400 acres of what is today Scripps Ranch. They paid \$5000. He ended up acquiring 2100 acres and built a win-

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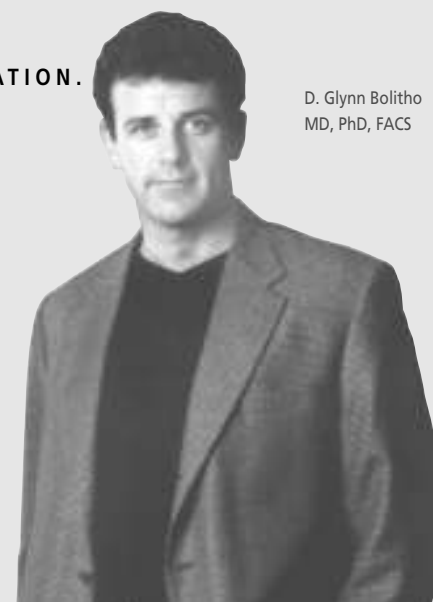
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ter home for when the cold months hit Illinois. But by 1900, it was his family's year-round home. The estate was covered with citrus, pine, and eucalyptus trees — many of which can still be seen at the Scripps Ranch Swim & Racquet Club.

About the eucalyptus trees — when I was a kid, my stepdad told me that Scripps brought them in because he wanted to sell them to make telegraph poles, and it was the first time eucalyptus trees were brought to California. Ellen Anderson, the bookkeeper for the Swim & Racquet Club, who's lived in Scripps Ranch for 14 years, told me she thought he



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Julian

brought in the trees to make railroad ties, but the wood turned out to be too brittle. (According to an article at the

historical society, Scripps planted eucalyptus, but he wasn't the first in San Diego to do it.)

When I mentioned residents who have been here for a while, Anderson said, "You can always tell because

they say they are going to 'Little Bear.' It's now a 7-Eleven and has been a few different convenience stores, but

it was a Little Bear a long time ago."

I wanted to talk to residents of Scripps Ranch. I talked to Gloria Tran, who's the editor of the newsletter for the Scripps Ranch Civic Association. She has been here since 1997 and said, "I don't want to sound all Pollyanna, but it seems like most residents have younger kids. There are great schools here, and it's got a small-town feel, like Pleasantville." When I mentioned reading something about the schools, she said, "Dingeman Elementary was named after Bob Dingeman. You should talk to him."

I called Bob Dingeman, an 82-year-

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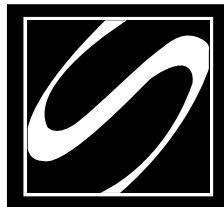
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old retired colonel who fought in three wars and has a Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart. He told me, "I moved here in 1976. I was looking for a nice country-living type of place. There were 900 homes and beautiful trees everywhere. And a sense of community. I could go jogging and see coyotes, deer, rabbits. There was this lot across from my house which Corky McMillin bought, and he put in 1400 homes. Around that time, I became a community activist — in 1977."

Dingeman told me with pride about the fire station, which the community paid for, and its Orchid Award-winning architecture. He told me there are 900 acres of landscaping that the city doesn't maintain but the residents do.



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Carmel Valley

We talked about the Old Pros, a group that's sponsored runs and bike rides for

decades. He told me Scripps has a "Symphony in the Park" at Hoyt Park, with wine

and cheese, on a stage that he put in.

I thought schools were named for people

only after they had passed away. I asked him about Bob Dingeman Elementary. He said, "You know, I fought in three wars. I graduated from West Point and have over 32 air medals. I taught at Miramar College for 18 years. But when the school has Bob Dingeman Day and the kids hold flags and sing 'Happy Birthday' to me, it's amazing. Nothing is as thrilling as a little girl giving me a big hug."

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any time of night and see clearly. The only wild animals I see are occasional possums dead by the side of the road. I can see a star or two once in a while, and the coyote pack still yips and yaps down our street, hunting rabbits and cats. But the country feeling is almost gone. Every new homeowner has a dog, and a cacophony results when a stranger appears.

I like my new neighbors, though, and their elegant places enhance my own prop-



*Scripps Ranch*

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erty value. Also, it's a relief to see the neat green of the golf course and the clean

shopping-center buildings where there used to be piles of trash and broken-down fences.

Many of the people who live here are not newcomers. Most of the men and women

I've met at church are second- and third-generation residents of Escondido. There's a

cemetery that has gravestones dating from the 1800s. A gentleman who lives down the road grew up in Harmony Grove and still owns his family's farm there. Not long ago he had the only tractor in our area and could be hired to mow weeds after spring rains. He always has a garden: tomatoes, corn, grapes — and that's in addition to his avocados. Everyone here grows citrus trees. Another neighbor just bought a horse, and a professional horse-

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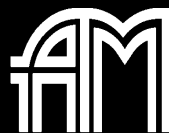
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show ranch was built near us. No one rides horses down the highway anymore, though; too much traffic.

I seldom leave Escondido, because there's so much to do here. I can see *West Side Story* at the Lawrence Welk theater, *Gilligan's Island* at TheatrX, and *Man of La Mancha* at Patio Playhouse. I never miss the celebration called First Night: banjo and guitar groups perform for small audiences in the City Administration Building; ballet and jazz bands perform at the California Center for the Arts, Escondido.

Every season has its parade, and I am a



Escondido

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spectator. At the Grape Day Parade in September, high school band members paint their faces purple and

grapevines drape the trombones. There was a time in the 1900s when the event "rivalled Pasadena's

Tournament of Roses," according to historian Francis B. Ryan. During the Christmas Parade, fire trucks and

lowriders vie for space. In the summer, on Friday nights, I watch polished '59 Chevies and Model T Fords parade down Grand Avenue during Cruisin' Grand.

I also like to walk. I walk in Kit Carson Park, on the Daley Ranch, or up the steep trail in the Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve, where I peer across the scrub brush toward Palomar Mountain. There's an improved trail east of the Westfield mall. It's the old wagon trail from Ramona, which passes Mule Hill, where Kit Carson fought Mexican soldiers in 1846 and where you can still see on rocks the fading

signs of feed stores. I often walk through the Wild Animal Park and look at gorillas and elephants.

An artist myself, I look for sculptures. The 20-foot-high Joor Muffler man at the corner of Juniper and Valley Parkway changes clothing and ethnicity from time to time. Locals call him "Rahoolio, the Muffler Man of Love." Near the California Center for the Arts, Escondido, and beside the new Mingei are 7-foot-tall metal cylinders that startle me as they ring or speak when the wind blows. A bronze sculpture on Grand of a woman sitting next to her child on a bus

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bench, digging through her purse, is my favorite. There's a circle of life-sized children's statues saluting the flag in front of the new charter high school. Tiled 7-foot-tall obelisks stand like lampposts along Escondido Boulevard. And in Kit Carson Park, Niki de Saint Phalle's sculpture, *Queen Calafia's Magical Circle*: glittering, shiny mirrors reflect the bright reds, greens, and yellows of the fantasy figures, tall as hot-air balloons.

— Rebecca Beaver

### EASTLAKE

One of my primary needs — along with sleep, food, shelter, and the Sunday *Los Angeles Times* — is quiet. Absolute, undisturbed quiet, preferably outdoors, with a great view. And in a world of boom boxes, cell phones, and other electronic gadgets just about everywhere, it's damn hard to find.

Sharp Chula Vista stands on a hill off Telegraph Canyon Road six miles east of my old apartment. When I first moved here in 1988, I found myself going to a doctor whose office was directly across the street from the hospital, at the end of a cul-de-sac called Medical Center Court. And I was surprised to discover that the views from the doctor's parking lot, looking south and west, were spectacular — flower fields, native xeriscape, canyons, the bay, the ocean, even Tijuana. (In my home state of Michigan, there are no hills, and thus we had nothing resembling a view.) And after 5:00 p.m., except for the occasional ambulance, it was gloriously quiet.

At that time, the hospital and medical

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office building sat alone on the hill. No more. A series of housing developments now surround the hospital. Medical Center Drive and Palomar Street have been extended. Schools, shopping centers, and gas stations have followed. The view from my doctor's parking lot is blocked by the unattractive spires of a townhome complex, though I can spot the McDonald's and Starbucks logos on the shopping center nearby. It's called "The Plaza at Sunbow," an upscale name for an ordinary strip mall.

All right, then, if I can't find peace at the hospital, I'll head east. Seven miles farther east, the Olympic Training Center stands near the shores of Lower Otay Lake, in the easternmost extension of Chula Vista.

For years now I've driven out here, braving the twisty two-lane drive on Wueste Road, its sign blocked by foliage, to reach the center and its Olympic Path. From the path, which sits on a ridge well above the athletic venues, I can get my exercise and watch future medalists in action. It's astonishingly quiet, with few visitors during the week, even during the games in Athens. The lake is visible from the path, surrounded by purple-gold mountains and fields.

Despite snide remarks from some of the Olympic athletes and coaches — 2000 Olympic rowing coach Mike Teti told ESPN, "You think Harvard and Princeton grads want to live in Chula Vista?" — the center is still there, serene and



Eastlake

unspoiled, the dominant sound the flapping of several dozen flags in the air around the plaza. The Olympic

Path is a mile long, stretching from the plaza and visitor center to a beautiful desert garden; it's even been

designated a nonsmoking area, unusual for an outdoor venue, ever since the fires of October 2003, which got awfully close.

But, to quote Bambi's mother, "Man has entered the forest."

It was inevitable that there would be development. The Olympic Training Center sits on land donated by Eastlake, the sprawling development to its immediate west. Every time I pass through Eastlake, there are new streets, new traffic lights, more shopping centers, and more people. If Route 125 ever gets extended south to Chula Vista, even more people will come, and we'll probably have to change the name of Chula Vista to "West Eastlake."

Olympic Parkway (an extension of

Orange Avenue in "old" Chula Vista) zips me out to the center in 15 minutes, through as yet undeveloped fields, past a new high school campus that looks suspiciously like a shopping mall. From the plaza in front of the Olympic Training Center I can see homes now, lots of them, in the standard earth tones, identical boxes with tiny windows carefully arranged on hastily paved streets. The empty fields that surrounded the center are gone, Wueste Road is being straightened and widened, the hills are being leveled, and I can just about see the new Wal-Mart on Eastlake Parkway. As I leave the center, I can see a sign across the street: "Retail Space Now Leasing."

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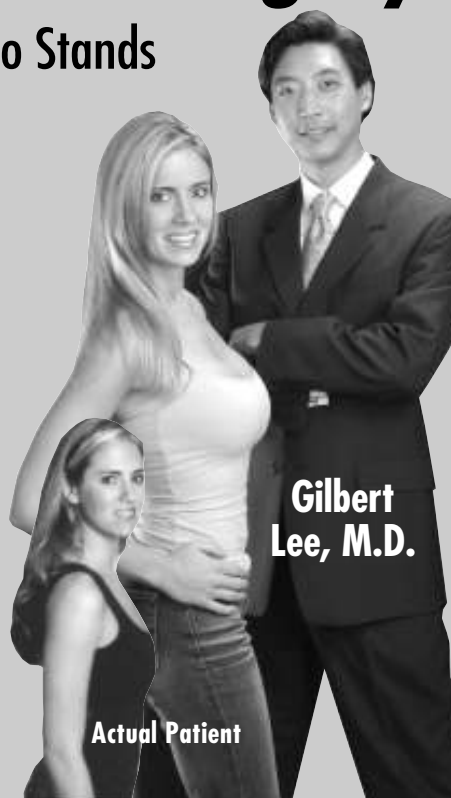
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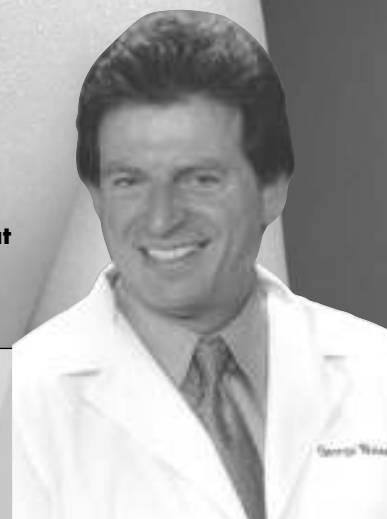
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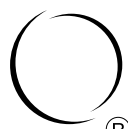
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Linda Vista

self turned up to cut the ribbon when it opened. They say it was the first shopping mall in America. Historic! Beautiful. We had a theater, restaurants, and great 80-year-old oak trees in the plaza. This

was where everybody gathered. We were proud of it. Kids loved it. RC Cola had a promotion going where if you collected six bottle caps you could get into the movie theater for free.”

Then, he says, they bulldozed the shopping center and replaced it with a parking lot and what has become the only supermarket in central Linda Vista, Vien-Dong. “They tore the heart out of the

town,” he says.

Let’s face it, people don’t *think* a lot about Linda Vista. It’s one of those mesa communities that seems to be becoming more Asian by the year, judging from the restaurants

popping up. Think Linda Vista (“pretty view”) and you think vague, aging renta-land, the first mesa town north of Mission Valley. You think Vietnamese restaurants and make-your-own-beer supplies from the Home Brewing Company. You think of Linda Vista as the home of a hundred different peoples. Hmong, Vietnamese, Lao, Cambodian, Salvadoran, Guatemalan, Filipino.

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Northern Linda Vista is the result of that large military housing project. Ethnically mixed, middle class. And the central area is low-income, older, also mostly WWII housing. It is the most ethnically diverse: Asian, African-American, Hispanic.

Yet, whites are still the largest group — over 40 percent of Linda Vista's 30,000-plus population, with

Asians second and Hispanics third — and house prices are high for all.

Just ask Eleanore Guerrero. We're talking in that other social center, the Linda Vista library. Rob Quigley designed it in 1987, all 10,000 square feet, after

the town had made do with a 400-square-foot converted cottage for years, then a 4000-square-foot building. Guerrero is photocopying financial papers. "My parents came from New Mexico," she says. "They got here in the 1940s. They paid \$5000

for their house. Today it is worth around \$400,000. That's partly because Linda Vista is central to everything. Freeways, downtown, North County. This is the heart of San Diego. People don't move out. I have lived here all my life. My parents settled

here. My daughter has too."

And yet something has changed. "We used to walk up to the movie theater and the rec center they had here. Our parents let us kids wander then. It was safe. They didn't have gangs like now."

Beside her at a table is elderly Mr. Chau Van Ngoc. He's 83, deaf, and comes in to read Vietnamese newspapers. "I love Linda Vista," he says, "because it is the same weather as in my town in Vietnam."

Chu Fang is working at the desk. He's Hmong, from the mountains of Laos. "It was difficult, with the language and learning to deal with American culture's aggressive directness," he says. "But we wouldn't go back now. We have opportunities, education. We cannot let our parents down for all they have sacrificed. Linda Vista has been good, because we have enough of us to help each other through."

At Yum Yum, Alejandra hands me the large coffee and two standard donuts, a special \$1.79 deal. "Here's



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the thing,” says Ben Estopare. “We are the poor stepchildren of San Diego. They rip down our social center, even though it was historically significant, and they didn’t replace it with anything. We’re the most culturally diverse, and yet look at our town council. All white Anglo folk. No representation of other ethnicities. With gangs like LV13, Kelly Street Boys, LVCs, Pinkies, we all need ways to get together, for kids to grow up together. Right now you get along only if you mind your own business.”

He sighs. “I still like Linda Vista. It is my town. But it’s definitely worse than when I was a kid. It’s three miles to the nearest American supermarket. When they tore down the mall, they tore the heart out of Linda Vista.”



Serra Mesa

PHOTOGRAPH BY SALVATORE FILIPPONE

Well, maybe not completely. I take a walk up Ulric Street toward Montgomery Middle School. Sun’s setting. The sounds are of kids laughing and shouting and crying. Basketballs bounce as they play in their drive-

ways. Grown-ups aren’t inside watching TV. They’re washing their Wranglers, chatting over cans of beer concealed in brown paper bags, leaning against cars in yards of dry grass surrounded by chain-link. Sitting on

porches. Walking and holding hands. This mixed, maybe mixed-up, underrated community is alive and well-rooted.

— Bill Manson

#### NORTH PARK

After 14 years of living in North Park, a marriage proposal propelled me into the arms of Encinitas. I’ve acclimated, but on evenings when I hear *norteño* music pulsating from the roadway behind my new home in the ‘burbs, I become wist-

ful thinking of my North Park neighborhood. I loved its sights, sounds, and people — like the New York City subways, an experiment in humanity.

My first memories of North Park were as a child of the ‘60s. Though we lived in Kensington, my folks would drive us over in the family Rambler to watch movies at the North Park Theater, skate at the roller rink, and shop at the boutiques lining University Avenue. My mother

loved the JCPenney (now Big Lots), which was the company’s flagship store in San Diego. A treat was a trip to the Jewish bakery on 30th Street.

When I bought my tiny Craftsman bungalow in the late 1980s, North Park had become a different place. Friends worried whether it was safe, a concern furthered by news stories of drive-by shootings. As a defense mechanism, I claimed I lived in “the ‘hood.” Living blocks from the Balboa golf course and steps from Switzer Canyon, how could this be a bad thing? And on a clear day, motoring down the eastern edge of Balboa Park on Pershing Drive, you *can* see forever.

Years of neglect, bad zoning laws, and awful remodeling jobs took their toll, but people awakened to North Park’s inventory of early 20th-century architecture. Owning a vintage home has become a status symbol and a rallying point for preserving the character of the community. North Park is being

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transformed by the influence of the creative class. Many artists moved into North Park's business district after being displaced by the ballpark.

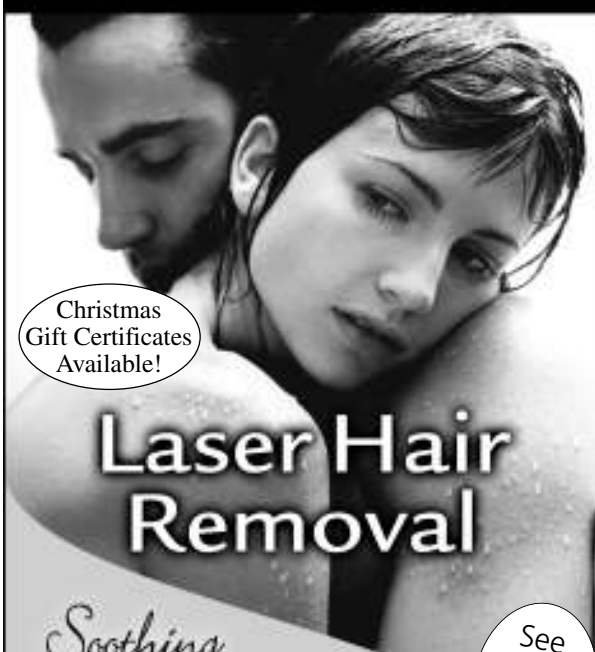
I now live in a half-million-dollar stuccoid home — a “modest” 1600 square feet — in new Encinitas. We have central heating and air-conditioning, and many electrical outlets. Nevertheless, my favorite memory of North Park remains those balmy evenings when my underinsulated, un-air-conditioned ancient home was so hot inside that all I could think of was to grab an icy glass of lemonade and sit on the porch. And it would be so hot in every house on the block that all my neighbors would be rustling about outside. One thing would lead to another, and we'd end up having a party in a neighbor's back yard. We'd swap stories about skunks and possums appearing in the kitchen, eating the cat food. Or we'd discuss home-restoration tips and real estate prices in North Park — \$350,000 for a 700-square-foot cottage? We'd pass along gossip, debate politics, and, underlying everything, share a feeling that we were living in the coolest, most happening neighborhood in all of San Diego. I miss that feeling.

— Sally Van Haitsma

## SERRA MESA

That first southbound walk home from Wegeforth Elementary, back in '68, was long and hot, each shadow on Mobley Street a refuge. For a transplanted fourth-grader, it was an arduous half-mile trek. These days, I never break a sweat on the drive back to my family home. I do slow down — children on bicycles remain common, though they wear

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plastic helmets now and the bikes cost more than several decades of inflation could account for. A bicycle was indispensable when I was growing up. Although the neighborhood may be nothing more than a canyon-locked mesa to an adult in a car, to an adolescent on a ten-speed it was a kingdom.

Seen from the air, Mobley traverses a peninsula jutting into the canyons. Side streets branch off here and there, following the lay of the land. It's a topography that repeats itself throughout Serra Mesa. Outsiders easily get lost, as many streets lead nowhere unless you live on them.

The intersection of Mobley and Gramercy Drive always seemed to me the heart of Serra

Mesa. Coming north from my house, the traffic light there was the gateway to everywhere else. To the east, it was a short ride down and up a deep dip that took me to Taft Junior

High. Beyond that, Gramercy becomes Mission Village Drive, which plunges downward to Qualcomm Stadium. Across from Taft, a fenced-off lot once held a Safeway, a bar,

and a Thrifty drugstore, where ice cream was five cents a scoop well into the '70s.

If you head north through that traffic light, Mobley becomes Hammond Drive, a

downhill curve that straightens after the next light and becomes Murray Ridge Road. Continuing on Murray Ridge you'll pass the new townhomes which replaced the original

military housing that started the development back in the 1950s. In the '70s, I found it easier to coast my bike down the alley that runs parallel to Murray Ridge, a secret route to a friend's back yard where comic book swapping was the order of the day. Murray Ridge takes you over the 805 (where it becomes Phyllis Drive) and into the western reaches of Serra Mesa, which extends to the 163.

On the other hand, if you stand at that traffic light and turn south to face Mobley, you'll be looking at the essence of Serra Mesa. This is where the suburbs begin. Mobley runs almost straight south from this point, lined by tall trees and telephone lines, until it descends out of view to its final cul-de-sac a mile or so down. It's a tranquil place, far enough from the freeways that their rumble is reduced to a hum that does nothing to drown out birdsong. Twenty-five years ago, before dawn, you could hear signal bells from a railroad crossing to the west. Returning home, as I do, I get the feeling that little has changed, beyond the growth of the trees and the birth of new generations.

— Dan Whitworth



Bankers Hill

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There never were many bankers living here. According to Patty Fares, who conducts walking tours of the neighborhood, "In reality — through home records at the city or historical society archives — I found most residents weren't bankers. Many were retired and/or widows." She believes the name is "just symbolic of the wealth of early residents, rather than occupation."

Bankers Hill, bounded on the north by Upas Street, on the south by Elm, on the east by Fifth Avenue, and on the west by State Street, is almost entirely a residential area. There are a few commercial sections, although that's changing with the high-rise condos and apartments being built or already completed near Balboa Park. Most of these buildings have commercial space on the street level and businesses are moving in. We have our own Starbucks (on Fifth between Laurel and Kalmia), and that's an omen.

I moved here from about a mile away, from First Avenue in Hillcrest. Bankers Hill is to Hillcrest as La Jolla is to Mission Beach: more upscale and less diverse. It's largely white and WASPy rather than multicolored and ethnic. People worry about things such as making sure that the parking-garage door is fully closed before they pull out of the driveway.

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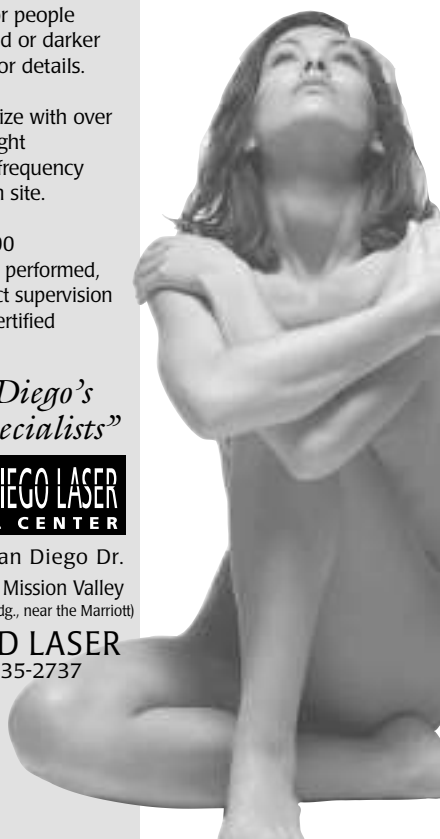
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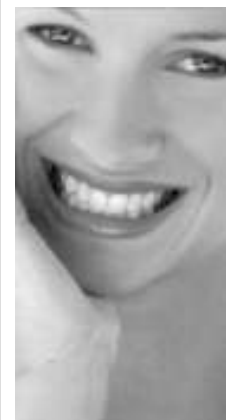


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## Final Fire

### 17th Century Dutch Tiles

In Holland in the 17th Century, “tiles migrated from floors to walls,” says Steven Kern. “Why? Because ceramic is soft-baked, not like ironstone or stoneware. When you walk on it, it’s going to chip.”

But the moisture that cities in the Low Countries endure (Amsterdam is 13 feet below sea level) was a greater factor. Marble and wood were becoming more available for floors in houses of the wealthy. “Tiles became the perfect moisture barrier when put on the walls from baseboard to wainscot levels and joined to the floor,” says Kern.

Builders also used tiles to cover the base of a hearth because they’re easy to clean. “In a Dutch house around 1650,” Kern continues, “people lived in one big room. The idea of differentiating rooms — bedroom, kitchen, living room — didn’t exist then. You had a hearth in the middle of the room. It was the focus of the room and the source of heat. But you cooked in

that same stove. So being able to clean up was important, because when you were receiving people in the same room you cooked in, efficiency in getting things turned around from the one purpose to another was desirable.”

Kern is the curator for European art at the San Diego Museum of Art, which has been exhibiting “Seventeenth-Century Dutch Tiles from the Museum’s Collection” since September 18. Visitors can see the collection of 240 tiles until January 9.

#### LOCAL EVENTS



Pastoral scene with lovers, artist unknown



Tile depicting a flower vase, artist unknown



Cupid guiding a shell boat, artist unknown

In 1928 George Tucker Dodd donated 400 Dutch tiles to the museum. The current exhibit is the first to display a comprehensive arrangement of the museum’s holdings. A recent acquisition of Dutch etchings and engravings supplements the exhibit by showing many sources of the tiles’ surface designs.

In most people’s minds, “Dutch tile” signifies the blue and white delft varieties. Kern explains that “the blue and white go back to one of the first Dutch East India Company boats coming from China with loads of blue and white porcelain. That caused a revolution in taste,” he says.

“But the tile industry of the Netherlands,” observes Kern, “goes back to the majolica, an Italian word for ceramics painted in different colors. Artisans from Italy relocated to what is present-day Belgium to meet the tastes of the wealthy.”

Because of its maritime trading, according to Kern, the Low Countries had become the wealthiest region in Europe by the middle of 17th Century. Yet they were still part of the Spanish

empire. Through Spain, the Dutch industry was influenced by the Islamic tradition of tile making.

The kilns eventually centered in the Netherlands’ northern provinces, the most famous being Holland. In the north, the Rhine and the Maas Rivers empty into the sea and deposit the silt from which the clay for producing terra cotta comes.

I ask Kern whether any great Dutch tile makers became famous. “Many of the tiles have marks on the back,” he says, “and the marks are probably lot numbers or dates of production. There may be a few cases of monograms. But the tiles were made by craftsmen, and the notion of being recognized for your work and creativity was not important. Some of the tiles’ designs were also done by the craftsmen, while others were adapted from contemporary prints. So we have fine art and popular art coming together.”

Kern shows me two tiles whose designs appear to copy in different ways the same militia scene from a drawing by Dutch artist Hendrick Goltzius (1558–1617). Militia scenes should not be surprising, says Kern. “Don’t forget that from 1568 to 1648, during the Eighty Years War, the Dutch were fighting Spain for independence. Military garb was part of everyday life.”

Prints by Dutch artists (298 were donated to the museum) show a variety of images that tile manufacturers used as models, including mythological figures, flowers, birds, rural scenes, and biblical symbols.

What technique was used to preserve the image on the tiles?

After a white glaze was put on the tiles and they were fired once, explains Kern, “the design would be ‘pounced on.’ That meant a stencil with little holes and some material like charcoal dust that would go through the holes — leaving a dot design. The painter would follow with cobalt or other colors. Then a final layer of glaze would be put over the top and the tiles would be fired a final time. Differences in quality would then depend on where in the kiln a tile was sitting or whether the glaze ran or whether the firing went too hot or not hot enough.”

To get to the point of painting, however, tiles had to be cut to the standard five-inch squares from a large roll of clay. A “pug mill” was used to knead the clay. “As anyone in ceramics knows,” says Kern, “kneading your own clay is a good way to build up strength in hands and arms, but also make yourself sore.”

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**Molotov** in concert on Thursday, December 30, 8 p.m., at Multikulti (Cine Bujazán, Avenida Constitución). 011-52-664-680-2631. (TIJUANA)

**You're Getting Sleepy**, hypnotist Taurus do Brazil performs January 5-31 at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Performances begin at 6 and 9 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays, 5 and 8 p.m. on Sundays; \$5 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9600. (TIJUANA)

**Tijuana Cultural Center**, the center (CECUT) offers guided tours in Spanish and English of exhibit on history of Baja peninsula, Tuesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cultural and artistic exhibits. Entrance fee is approximately \$2 (two-for-one entrance on Tuesdays).

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**Moviemaking and Lobster in Rosarito**, excursion sponsored by San Diego Natural History Museum on Saturday, January 22, 2005, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., includes Foxploration, the theme park at Fox Studios; lobster lunch, shop-



Salute to Vienna in Copley Symphony Hall, January 1 (see In Person or Classical Music)

ping, more; \$89 fee covers meal, park entrance, drinks, bus transportation. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (ROSARITO BEACH)

OUTDOORS

**Gray Whale Migration** off San Diego County's coast peaks in the coming month. The best view spots from land are high points close to the surf. Aside from the whale-watching overlook at Cabrillo National Monument, try Sunset Cliffs, the vest-pocket parks and dead-end streets from Pacific Beach to Scripps Park in La Jolla,

various ocean overlooks on the trail system at Torrey Pines State Reserve, the cliffs opposite Carmel Valley Road south of Del Mar, overlooks opposite Lomas Santa Fe Drive in Solana Beach, and various clifftop viewpoints and beach access stairways in Encinitas and Leucadia. Scan the ocean a few hundred yards to a couple of miles out using high-power binoculars. Best times for viewing are about 9 a.m. to noon.

**San Diego County's Water Reservoirs** currently stand at about 35 percent of capacity, a figure that has improved a few percentage points in the aftermath of

early rains in October and November. Barring a deluge or two of almost biblical proportions, they will not fill up completely during the current rainfall year, which ends June 30. A series of above-average rainfall years, however, would probably do the trick. With many of the larger reservoirs under 20 percent of capacity, boating and other recreational pursuits can be iffy propositions. Fishing hasn't taken quite so severe a hit. Less capacity means the fish have less space to swim, and often a greater chance of being hooked.

**Five Planets Plus the Waning Moon** are visible simultaneously in the dawn sky this weekend (Saturday and Sunday, January 1 and 2) and through the following week, provided early-morning skies are clear and you try to spot all of them between 5:45 and 6:15 a.m. All six objects are arranged in a nearly straight line, through the zodiac, which stretches high across the sky in a roughly east-west line.

First, look for unmistakably bright Venus, hovering low over the southeast horizon. Much fainter Mercury lies only one degree or so above Venus. Mars, currently faint but with a distinctive reddish tinge, lies about 15 degrees to the upper right of both Venus

and Mercury. Lordly Jupiter, not quite as bright as Venus, shines with a steady light about halfway up the sky in the south. Saturn, somewhat dimmer than Jupiter, glows about 20 degrees above the west horizon. The waning moon's phase progresses from gibbous (about 70 percent sunlit) on the 1st to a thin crescent on the 8th; its position in the dawn sky during this period gradually shifts from high in the west to low in the southeast.

**"Hawk Watch 2005,"** Wildlife Research Institute leads raptor-spotting hikes every Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon, January 1 through February 26. Walks are led by trained biologist in Ramona grasslands, a prime raptor territory; 19 species of raptors have been recorded at the spot.

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# Calendar

## LOCAL EVENTS

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**Start 2005 with a Walk** around north Poway with Walkabout perambulators on Saturday, January 1. Half of the seven-mile walk is on trails at a moderate or moderate-plus pace. The two-hour jaunt starts at 8:45 a.m. at Bernardo Winery (on Paseo del Verano). Free. 619-231-7463. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

**Nature Hike**, Will Smith leads nature hikes around Lake Cuyamaca the first Sunday of every month, including January 2, 1 p.m. The three-hour hike covers about 3.5 miles. Bring binoculars. Day-use fee: \$6 per car. Lake Cuyamaca Recreation and Park District center, 15027 Highway 79. 877-581-9904. (JULIAN)

**The Quadrantid Meteor Shower**, delivering a brief and sometimes intense display of "shooting stars," is best seen this year shortly before dawn on the morning of Monday, January 3. If you are out looking at the planets on that morning (see previous capsule, "Five Planets..."), it is likely you will see one or more meteors streaking across the sky. Your chances are best for catching Quadrantids if you observe in the hour or two before the first light of dawn, which will likely be first noticed at around 5:45 a.m.

## DANCE

**Contradance Your Way into the New Year** on Friday, December 31. Music by Terminatin' Tillie and the Girlie Men, calling by JoAnn Koppany, at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Dancing begins at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$12 in advance, \$15 at door. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

**New Year's Eve Dance Party**, Friday, December 31, 8 p.m. to midnight, hosted by Balboa Park Folk Dance Clubs. Line and cou-

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Ever wish to learn land navigation by map and compass or GPS? Or discover the fine points of selecting and packing gear for a backpacking expedition? Or learn how to prepare for and experience a reasonably pleasant couple of days in the snow? If so, the San Diego Sierra Club's Wilderness Basics Course (WBC) may be the efficient and economical solution for you.

The WBC, now in its 49th year, is a serious yet seldom heavy-handed effort at transforming city slickers into happy hikers, campers, and backpackers. Up to 300 registered students and "crashers" are expected to arrive on opening night, January 11, at the San Diego Scottish Rite Center, 1895 Camino del Rio South, in Mission Valley.

On 11 consecutive Tuesday evenings, from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m., WBC volunteers will offer lectures and demonstrations designed to promote the safe, enjoyable, and environmentally sound use of wilderness areas near and far. Topics will include equipment selection and use, foods and cooking, physical conditioning, wilderness first-aid, navigation, and the art of self-propelled travel and camping in desert, mountain, and snow-covered terrain. Five weekend activities, integral to the course, are scheduled: a timed day hike up Cowles

Mountain for the purpose of fitness evaluation, an overnight car camp, a land-navigation weekend, a two-day desert backpack, and a snow camping trip to the eastern Sierra Nevada. Participants must supply their own equipment (sleeping bags, packs, camp stoves, etc.) or rent the same from local sporting stores.

San Diego's WBC is open to all persons — Sierra Club members and nonmembers — 18 years of age and older. Course registration is offered via the course's website, [wildernessbasics.com](http://wildernessbasics.com), at a cost of \$105, or on a space-available basis at the first meeting. The snow camp, which involves bus transportation, will cost an additional \$100 or slightly more. Visit WBC's website or phone 858-272-9229 for more information.

The North County Group of the Sierra



Snow camp, Wilderness Basics Course.

Club offers a similar Wilderness Basics Course beginning January 18, with meetings at San Pasqual High School in Escondido. North County's snow camp travels to the San Jacinto Mountains high above Palm Springs, not to the more distant but snowier Sierra Nevada. Unlike San Diego's course, the North County WBC accepts students between the ages of 14 and 17 (with parental supervision). For more information about the North County WBC, visit [www.ncwbc.org](http://www.ncwbc.org) or call 760-728-8220.

ples' folk dances. Admission: \$5 with plate of finger food to donate, \$10 without food contribution. Details: 619-422-1584. (BALBOA PARK)

**Tango at the Turquoise**, learn basic elements and techniques to execute tango movements when Florentino Guizar and Isabelle Kay lead intermediate (5 p.m.), introduction (6 p.m.), milonga classes (7 p.m.) on Sunday, January 2, at 873 Turquoise Street; \$5 per class. 858-453-9680. (PACIFIC BEACH)

**Partner Swing Dance Classes** — all levels — new sessions taught by Jim and Margie of 2toGroove Dance start Tuesday, January 4, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at Portuguese Hall (2818 Avenida de Portugal); \$60 for series, \$12 per class. 619-291-3775. (POINT LOMA)

The duo also presents swing dance classes for all levels on Wednesdays, beginning January 5,

6 to 9 p.m., at Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). Pay \$60 in advance for series, \$12 per class. 619-291-3775. (ENCINITAS)

**"Cabaret Dances"** presented by San Diego Dance Theater, January 6-9, at San Diego Museum of Art. Revue includes premiere of Jean Isaacs' new work *Car Men (And the Women Who Love Them)*, a take on the *Carmen* theme with opera arias, jazz scoring of Bizet's opera; works by guest choreographers Yolande Snaith, Gabriel Masson, Jeffrey Gerodias.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 6 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$20 general, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). Information: 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

**Keep on Trockin'**, Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo — the

all-male comic ballet company combining technical skill and comic sensibility — pound the boards on Friday, January 14, 2005, 8 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$40, \$50. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

## FILM

**The "Cheeky, Amped-Up Road Trip" Movie** *Dust to Dust* by Carlos de Llaca screens for Film Forum at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street) on Monday, January 3, 6:30 p.m. 619-236-5800. Free. In Spanish with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

**See** *Brother Sun, Sister Moon* when the First Monday Films series exploring "controversial social issues posing difficult moral

dilemmas" continues January 3, 6:15 p.m., at Escondido Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Ensuing discussion led by Richard Del-Orfano. Free. 760-839-4656. (ESCONDIDO)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Roar: Lions of the Kalahari, Volcanoes of the Deep Sea, Forces of Nature*. See *Santa vs. the Snowman* through Sunday, January 2. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

## LECTURES

**Learn the Fast-Forward Technique** for "telling your story" when book coach and author Judy Cullins leads workshop for fiction and nonfiction writers (over 18), January 2 through March 29, 12:30 to

4 p.m., at La Mesa Senior Center (8450 La Mesa Boulevard); \$4 materials fee. Registration: 619-466-0622. (LA MESA)

**Facets of U.S. Midway History** explored during lecture and video presentation by Joe Cookon for Polaris Sailing Club on Tuesday, January 4, 7:30 p.m., at Southwest Yacht Club (207 Qualtrough Street). Cookon is public affairs director of *Midway*. Free. 619-225-9325. (POINT LOMA)

**The "National Burial Index on CD-ROM"** discussed when June Hanson speaks for English Interest Group of British Isles Genealogical Research Association, Wednesday, January 5, 10 a.m., at San Diego Family History Center (4195 Camino del Rio South). Free. 619-583-8352. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Psychological Astrologer** Charmain Page divulges "the wisdom of knowing oneself through one's natal chart" when Carlsbad Newcomers meet on Wednesday, January 5, 9:45 a.m., in Heritage Hall at Magee Park (at Beech and Garfield Streets). 760-729-7060 or 760-754-2806. (CARLSBAD)

**Tour the Night Sky** during "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 7 p.m., Wednesday, January 5. After show, view real sky through telescopes set up by Fleet Center staff and San Diego Astronomy Association (weather permitting). 619-238-1233; \$6.75 general. (BALBOA PARK)

**Get to Know Ghost Mountain** and the South family during "Marshal South, Ghost Mountain, and the Oceanside Connection," presented Tuesday, January 11, 6 p.m., in community rooms at Oceanside Civic Center (330 North Coast Highway). South was poet laureate of Oceanside 1914-1916, who lived with his family in primitive fashion in Anza-Borrego Desert in 1930s. Program includes slide presentation about family's desert life, comments by Rider South (eldest son of the poet), his wife Lucile South, and author Diana Lindsay, as well as signing of the new book *Marshal South and the Ghost Mountain Chronicles: An Experiment in Primitive Living*. Free. 760-435-5580. (OCEANSIDE)



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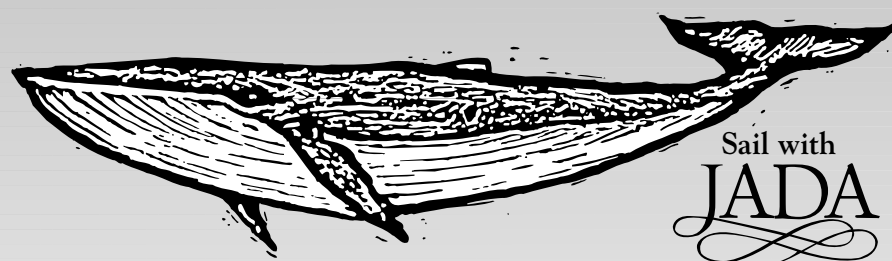


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Program repeats on Wednesday, January 12, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Free. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Rider South will also describe his life at Yaquitepec on Friday, January 14, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). He'll be joined by wife Lucile South, author Lindsay. Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

**Intermediate Birding Course** hosted by San Diego Audubon Society for those who already have some experience in field identification of Southwestern birds starts Saturday, January 29, 2005, 9 a.m. to noon, at San Diego State University. Instructor is the eminent Phil Pryde. Class runs six consecutive Saturdays, including two field trips; \$95. Registration: 619-682-7200. (SAN DIEGO)

## IN PERSON

**"In Remembrance of Victims of Wars Now Raging, Lest We Forget,"** this "International Music and Poetry Vigil" is Thursday, December 30, 8 p.m., at Voz Alta (1544 Broadway). Program includes poets Alfred Howard, Ali Ashouri; music by Ahmadshah Hassan (Afghanistan), Fardin Karamkhani (Kurdistan), Alex Khalil (Palestine), Abaa Koma (Ghana), and Darvak (Iran). Free. 619-230-1869. (EAST VILLAGE)

**You're Invited to a Five-Hour Birthday Party** celebrating 90th anniversary of Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Saturday, January 1, 2005. Party hours: noon to 5 p.m. Other guests: Carol Williams, Robert Plimpton, Jared Jacobsen, Cameron Highlanders Pipe Band, San Diego Youth Ballet, Dale Sorensen, Patrick Biggs, Daniel Myers, David Robinson, others. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**Salute to Vienna New Year's Day Concert** is slated for Saturday, January 1, 2005. Cast of over 75 professional musicians, singers,

dancers including Warsaw soprano Katarzyna Dondalska, tenor Otoniel Gonzaga, Vienna Opera Ballet, Strauss Symphony of America, conductor Klaus Arp.

Events begin at 2:30 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets range from \$35 to \$75, available by calling 619-235-0804 and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**Ethan Brown** performs for First Wednesday series on January 5, 4 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Admission is free, available on a first-come, first-served basis. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

**Jazz in the Park**, Holly Hofmann/Mike Wofford Quartet perform for concert series on Wednesday, January 5, 5:30 p.m., San Diego Museum of Art; \$17. Reservations: 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**Poetry Unlimited** showcases poet David Sahner on Wednesday, January 5, 5 p.m., at Florence Riford Library (7555 Draper Avenue). Singer Joana and guitarist Matt perform original compositions of folk and alternative music. Open readings follow. Free. 858-552-1657. (LA JOLLA)

**"Kruel Summer,"** described as a "surrealistic satire skewering the military, religion, and homophobia" presented by MizeranyDance! January 6-9 at St. Cecilia's Playhouse (1620 Sixth Avenue). "Nudity, profanity, sexual situations, and violence" — for mature audiences. Curtain rises at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 3 p.m. on Sunday; \$20. 619-255-8436. (HILLCREST)

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**Take an Oath to Exercise** during South Bay New Year's Resolution Run, Friday, December 31. Meet at Southridge Park (corner of Paseo del Rey and East J Street) at noon to be sworn in by retired judge Roy Cazerres. Free. 619-482-4790. (CHULA VISTA)

**New Year's Day Century Ride**, join San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders for 100-mile journey to Fallbrook and back to Doyle Park (8175 Regents Road at Nobel Drive) on Saturday, January 1. Riders gather at 7:45 a.m. Bring money for Italian deli lunch stop. 619-561-3846. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

**Welcome 2005** with a 35-mile bike ride out to Point Loma, suitable for novices, hosted by Knickerbikers on Saturday, January 1. Jaunt starts at 9 a.m. in north parking lot at Mission Bay visitors' center (at East Mission Bay Drive and Clairemont Drive). Free. 858-450-0373. (MISSION BAY)

**The 2005 New Year's Day Regatta** hosted by San Diego Yacht Club is Saturday, January 1. Traditional regatta with all classes and multihull boats starts at noon. Race is open to all monohull and multihull boats; random leg course begins

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**IN ODESSA**

In Odessa, city of wrist-thick grape vines that climb and with plump leaves shade the walls,  
city of tree lined Pushkinskaya and Richelevskaya streets down which my father walked,  
I cannot walk down streets my father walked.

I know it and those I start to talk with know it,  
sensing I'm not from here  
as I sense this is not my father's Odessa  
and the dilution time works through stone and blood, language and gesture  
and whatever else nourishes us.

My father, who traveled everywhere to see his family  
and let his sister be my aunt, his older brothers be my uncles when they visited,  
consigned those further east to memory,  
held them, holding them off, protecting them as once they had protected him — it felt so natural —

and wouldn't have believed I'd walk, part of and yet apart from Grecheskaya  
and Ekaterininskaya Streets,  
and couldn't have guessed I'd live between Evreiskaya (Jewish), and  
Troitskaya (Trinity) streets, the old KGB building, my neighbor.

Though the conversations rarely get more personal than where I'm from,  
people smile and in reply to my "thank you"s, wish me health.  
Maybe he would understand why I am pleased,  
who'd recognize the speech, inflection, what it means to leave family behind,  
who brought wife and daughter, sister, but not me,

or was it I who had no time,  
or time, but said to wait  
until it was too late?

**PRIVOZ MARKET**

Later I'll leave the past alone, father.  
Till then, though I know better, I pester, dig and scrape,  
hoping to extract what's irretrievable beneath the paving stones, the new storefronts at Starokonny Rinok (the OldHorse Market) or Privoz,  
or in the air above the Black Sea and below, in that oxygenless crypt, where nothing decays.

I've been warned, emptied my bag of everything, left  
my watch at home, stuffed a Xeroxed passport copy  
beneath my sweater with a little money. I wander past stalls

of glowing tomatoes, eggplants the purple of fresh bruises.  
Keeping focused, I note the nuts, the bras and batteries,  
smell the fried dough filled with cheese or potatoes or cabbage.

I pass the woman selling her used spoons, hands atop my bag.



No one makes me listen to the person saying  
*buy my parsley*  
or turn from the one who holds out woven  
garlics. No one

bumps me. I've bought the tea-pot I came for,  
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**The Final Regular Season Game** for San Diego Chargers is against Kansas City Chiefs on Sunday, January 2, 1:15 p.m., in Qualcomm Stadium. 877-CHARGERS. (MISSION VALLEY)

**San Diego Gulls** host Bakersfield Condors on Sunday, January 2, at 5:05 p.m.; and Peoria Rivermen on Wednesday, January 5, at 7:05 p.m., at San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets: \$12 to \$25, available by calling 619-224-4625 x7. (SPORTS ARENA)

**Fantasy on Ice**, the county's "only outside ice rink" is open for skating daily from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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**Borrego to the Sea**, R&B Bicycle Club hosts events, Saturday, January 8, 2005. Bicyclists choose from two paved road rides, with 50k and 100k distances. The 100k includes a ride to Salton Sea and back to start

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**The 17th Annual San Diego Boat Show,** featuring in-water and on-land displays, boating lessons, seminars, kids' activities, boats and luxury yachts to peruse. January 6-9, at San Diego Convention Center and Marriott Marina.

Show hours: noon to 8 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. (Marina portion closes at 6 p.m. each night.) Admission: \$9 general; \$4 children (under six free). 858-274-9924. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Home Sweet Home,"** exhibitions of gingerbread houses created by local artists are on view through Friday, January 14, 2005, in terminal 2 East at San Diego Lindbergh Field. Free. 619-277-0132. (DOWNTOWN)

**Witness the Gray Whale Migration** during outings hosted by Birch Aquarium and San Diego Harbor Excursions, through Thursday, March 31. Scripps naturalists and assistants are on hand during cruises to search for the whales, on their way to lagoons in Baja California to calve. Fee: \$25 for adults, \$15 for those 4-12. Registration: 619-234-4111. (PACIFIC OCEAN)

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**"The Wonderful World of Water,"** Ms. Frizzle and the Magic School Bus lead adventures on Sunday, January 2, 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)

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**Celebrity Storytelling in "Kid City"** exhibit offered every Wednesday in January at 10:30 a.m. at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. First up: Whitney Southwick of KNSD on January 5. 619-238-1233. Included in regular admission. For those four to six years old. (BALBOA PARK)

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## MUSEUMS

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

**Bancroft Ranch House Museum** houses indigenous Indian artifacts and memorabilia of early settlers in the area, run by the Spring Valley Historical Society. The home, built in 1863, was registered as a National Historic Landmark in 1962 and is on a spot where Kumeyaay Indians camped more than 1000 years ago beside the spring that later gave the area its name. The museum is found at 9050 Memory Lane; 619-469-1480. (SPRING VALLEY)

**Barona Cultural Center and Museum** is located at 1095 Barona Road; 619-443-7003 x2. (LAKESIDE)

**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



Spreckels Organ 90th birthday party, January 1 (see In Person or Classical Music)

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**Chula Vista Nature Center,** an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater

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**Computer Museum of America,** featured exhibit is "Enigma — A History of Cryptology." Also on view: a 100-year-old Millionaire calculator; a Brunsviga Midget calculator (circa 1906) and General Precision LGP-21 (circa 1966). Ongoing exhibits include vintage computers, video games, punch cards, calculators, more. Find the museum on the campus of Coleman College (7380 Parkway Drive). 619-235-8222. (LA MESA)

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

**Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego,** glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at

Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Museum of History and Art**, ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call

619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

**Museum of Making Music**, the past 100 years of American music and music making are highlighted at the museum, with over 450 vintage instruments, hundreds of audio and video clips, and an interactive stage. Find the museum at 5790 Armada Drive; 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

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

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

**San Diego Aerospace Museum**, the technological advancements made in aircraft propulsion over the last century are showcased in



San Diego International Auto Show at San Diego Convention Center, through January 2 (see Special)

"100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the Spitfire and P-51 Mustang fighters; and a rare German Junkers Ju 52, one of the world's first operational jet engines.

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

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

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including a replica of Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, flight deck of the USS Yorktown, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from Montgolfier

hot-air-balloon era to Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

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

**The San Diego Aircraft Carrier Museum** onboard the decommissioned USS Midway is open for tours, now berthed at 910 North Harbor Drive. Exhibits include Navy jet simulators, carrier and flight deck touring, captain's sea cabin, pilot house, navigation bridge. Admission fee includes audio guide. 619-702-7700. (DOWNTOWN)

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

**San Diego Electric Railway Association**, located in historic National City Santa Fe Depot (922 West 23rd Street), offers exhibits, video displays, trolley equipment,

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**San Diego Model Railroad Museum**, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. The "Lego City" Lego train exhibit continues through Saturday, January 8, 2005. Exhibit includes full city scene with skyscrapers, bridges, hotels with working elevators, six operating model trains.

"Rail Town," an "O" gauge operating model train exhibit, is on display through December. Four scale-model railroads of the Southwest, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading.

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

**San Diego Museum of African Art**, collections are represented of all regions of the African continent, covering civilizations of Sarah and Asante empire to Zulu kingdom in south. Find museum at 3066 North Park Way; 619-295-6622. (NORTH PARK)

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# READING

## Odessa Impressions



Mark Halperin

Just back from Ukraine, I follow TV reports of the election protests in Kiev, the capital. Via e-mail, friends have described the situation in Odessa, where I lived, as much calmer. Odessa is neither in the eastern mining and industrial center nor in the western nationalistic area; its politics are less heady. Situated on the Black Sea, the south border of Ukraine, Odessa is a port city. Once it was the third-largest city in the Russian Empire. Now, with a population of about one million, it's the third-largest city in Ukraine and no more typical of that country than New Orleans is of

the U.S. It's young — only 210 years old. It has strong literary credentials. Pushkin, greatest of Russian writers, lived there for more than a year. He's celebrated with two statues, one of which, from the end of the 19th Century, names him "Citizen of Odessa"; the other dates from the end of the 20th Century. Pushkin also has a street named after him. Enough writers have come from or lived in Odessa that street names in one section of Odessa read like a who's who of Russian literature: Gogol, Mayakovsky, Babel. Like other port cities, this one is multicultural, multinational, multilingual. Again, the street names say it all: Polish Street, Greek Street, Jewish Street — which is only a block from Trinity Street.

The many restaurants with menus in English give a deceptive impression. Just because something is on the menu doesn't mean it's available and, perhaps more telling, just because the menu is in English doesn't mean your waiter or waitress under-

stands English. It's symptomatic. Odessa is "almost" ready for tourism. As a consequence, groups fare better than individuals, and high-priced hotels are more apt to have English-speaking staff than moderately priced ones. More visitors arrive by bus than by air tours. The ferry from Istanbul and river cruise boats put in at the sea terminal. But the railroad station is the most-used terminal, always crowded with locals.

The downtown streets, their sidewalks uneven, are tree-lined and bordered by two-storied Art Deco and Classical-styled buildings, many with grapevines climbing and shading them with large leaves. A city park borders one side of Deribosovskaya Street, the main drag and now a pedestrian mall. The street sports casinos and jewelry stores, and there's a McDonald's, a "steak house," and a Georgian (the country, not the state) restaurant, among others. A little farther on is Primorskij (Seaside) Boulevard, not far from the archeological museum. If you stroll this promenade next to a park, you can look down on the Black Sea and the port. Keep walking and you'll arrive at a statue of a man in a toga, Richelieu, the first mayor of Odessa. You are at the top of the Potyomkin stairs made famous by Eisenstein's film in which a baby carriage careens down a long flight to the port below.

I was in Odessa from the end of August until December as a Fulbright Scholar teaching at Mechnikov National University. I lived in a downtown apartment, my wife with me for two weeks. Fortunately, I speak Russian, one of Odessa's two languages (Ukrainian is the other). What follows are accounts of incidents and observations, an attempt to convey some of the flavor of that remarkable city in the early fall of 2004.

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Because Odessa is celebrating its birthday, there are free music and dance performances all around town. We go to the Philharmonic for modern Polish music and Dvorák. As we are waiting to enter, a woman decides we must be foreigners or at least non-Odessites and, unasked, starts in on the history of the building, the former stock exchange. "It's without columns," she explains, "so that merchants couldn't concoct secret deals. They stayed at the hotel across the street, which, like so much in Odessa, is being renovated." She says that when the architect was asked what the style of the building was, he replied, "Various; one style per floor." The Philharmonic itself is slightly garish, in mock Florentine style,

with lots of curlicues on the façade and, inside, carved-wood ceilings.

Looking for the Ukrainian Theater, I stop a woman for directions. She hears my accent.

"Where are you from?"

"America."

"Oh, dear guests, and how do you like our city? And are you comfortable? Are you tourists?" She is full of questions and genuinely excited. Perhaps that is because there seem to be few Americans here. Germans filled the plane we arrived on, and there have been German tour groups around the center of the city. On an outing a bit farther from the center, I stop to consult my map. A dapper man in his 60s asks what we're looking for. I say, "The sea and the monument to the unknown sailor." He, too, gives directions and asks where we're from. When he retired, he started to travel extensively throughout the former Soviet Union, he says, and in Europe as well. "I just couldn't stay at home," he says. When I ask where in Europe, he answers, "Bulgaria and Romania," the extent of Europe available to Soviet citizens before the end of communism. Even today, "East" Europe still makes the best fit for Ukrainian pocketbooks.

Although there are beach areas closer to downtown, Arkadia is the most developed. According to my younger friend Lena, it has a nightlife all its own, but according to Valeria, another friend, it's so noisy that many of her generation, past 60, have sold their summer *dachas* in the area. It takes 20 minutes by car, a little longer by bus, and a bit longer than that by tram to get there. You walk from the parking area and bus stop past vendors selling beer and sandwiches, hot dogs and *shawarma* stands, people in various stages of dress or undress, from skimpy bathing suits to business suits with vests and ties. There are private beaches and public ones, resort hotels and a restaurant in the form of a pirate's ship, in which we eat. The fish is fresh, well prepared, and surprisingly tasty. We have a bottle of Moldovan Chardonnay with it. The deck we're sitting on overlooks the Black Sea. Below us, people stretch out on the beach. In the distance we can see a regatta and sailboats strung out for a mile or so. It's an hour to forget the bombings and terrorist acts taking place not far away; an hour to be soothed by the sea.

The Odessa Fine Arts Museum contains Russian and Ukrainian fine arts; another museum houses Western and Eastern art. As my

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**San Diego Natural History Museum**, "Earth, Wind, and Wildfire!" continues through October 2005, exploring powerful forces (such as fire, nature, people) shaping the landscape of Southern California. The exhibit is "designed to raise awareness of the history and inevitability of fire in Southern California's arid and diverse wildlands."

"Feathered Dinosaurs and the Origin of Flight," continuing through Sunday, January 2, 2005, is described as "the largest display of significant fossils regarding the origins of birds ever shown outside of the People's Republic of China." The fossils

on display are from Liaoning Province in northeastern China, rich in fossils dating from more than 120 million years ago. Exhibit includes 34 original fossils, 15 life-sized sculptural restorations of fossils, historical models, over two dozen large photo-murals and graphics.

"Fossil Hunters San Diego" shows how museum's paleontologists hunt for local fossils — what they look for, tools they use, how fossils are excavated and transported, how they're prepared and studied. Through 2005. Also on view: "Natural Treasures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giant-screen

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

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

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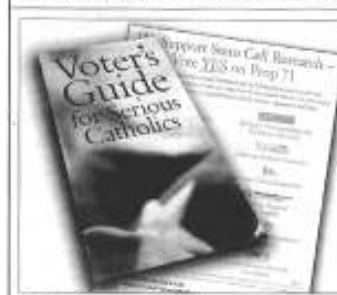


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### A Father of Victory

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### Chula Vista Abortionist Suspended

Dr. Phillip Rand Had Butchered Another Woman

On September 15, 2004 the California Office of Administrative Hearings issued an order suspending the license of obstetrician Phillip Rand. Rand worked for a chain of abortion clinics, Chula Vista, for La Mujer de Hoy, that spanned from San Diego to the Los Angeles area. All of the clinics were located in wealthy, close-knit neighborhoods.

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# READING

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wife and I enter one of the rooms, a woman sitting there, more a watcher than a guard, asks if we've noticed the ceiling. It's full of plaster cherubim amid vines and leaves covered with gold paint or leaf. It was a palace formerly, she explains, restored in 1929 and, by its look, again more recently. The parquet floor bears designs of flowers in a large wheel, all inlaid wood, she explains. Hearing me translate for my wife, she prattles on happily. "Imagine living in such a room," I say, to which she replies, "They were very rich people; you can't imagine how rich. They were used to such things." The first-floor exhibit ends in a display of contemporary photos of Odessa. The second floor is in total disarray. The woman who checks our tickets there attempts to sell us dolls. She has written out their prices in dollars, euros, and *hryvnia* (the Ukrainian currency) but without much disappointment accepts the fact that we won't be buying. Three men are moving paintings around, photographing them. The lights are out in two rooms. It's a Sunday, late morning; we're almost the only visitors.

Although the stores around us have prepared food and staples, it's hard to find much in the way of fresh fish or meat. But out near the university, which is a



St. Panteleymonov monastery

15-minute bus trip, there is a supermarket. You select the carrots you want (they have dirt on them), they're weighed, and the price is written on a tag. Along one wall are cellophanned packages of meat and chicken. The fish in the case looks frozen; the woman behind the counter reaches down for a touch. "Yes, but it's all I have just now." We're looking at prepared salads — chopped up this and that in mayonnaise — eyeing an eggplant concoction and another of beets and potatoes, when someone suggests the fish pâté. "It's very tasty," he says in English. "Where did you come by your English?" I ask. He's a retired sea captain, been all over: New York, Norfolk, L.A., and San Francisco. What do we think of the new methods of teaching English, he wants to know, and when I tell him we don't know about them, he launches into a critique, which ends with something to the effect that only hard

study will work. Captains are required to know English, he tells us; all ports operate with that language.

The sea captain is about average height, with a bit of a belly; he feels comfortable in this store, which obviously caters to people with some money, though you're asked if you want a bag, since they're not free, and your receipt is checked against the items you're carrying on the way out. The crowd is mostly young, well dressed; the older shoppers, like our retired sea captain, are even better dressed. The minibus we ride home in sways a bit — shocks gone, stuffing coming out of the seats. It is in marked contrast to the tidy supermarket in which the employees wear uniforms and thin plastic gloves when picking up or dishing out food.

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I'm stopped at a little guard-house at the entrance to the city archives, which are housed in a former synagogue, and asked what I want.

"To get some information about my family?"

"Where are you from?"

"America."

"Show me your passport," he says, asks my name, waves off the passport, then leads me into the building and a small room with tables and benches. It resembles a schoolroom; there's even a woman at the desk in front to hand me forms in Russian and Ukrainian and a blank sheet on which I'm to write out a "declaration." I fill out what I can, go

up to her, and am told that the Ukrainian form repeats the same questions as the Russian one; I can fill it out in Russian. But my declaration won't do. She leaves, returns with a sample I'm to copy, filling in my particular details. Meanwhile, her assistant arrives. She's to start hunting for relevant documents while I go to the second story and give my papers to the director, who initials them, sends me back downstairs, where I'm directed back to the assistant. Half an hour later, I ask how long

*Down the street, an old woman kneels and utters prayers, a cup beside her. The poor can be found in all the cities of the world.*

her search might take. She doesn't know, disappears, and reappears 15 minutes later. "Perhaps I can return on Monday," I suggest; she says the school reference is ambiguous, but she's hoping to be able to show me several possible references so that we can decide which one to follow up.

Back on the street again, I have the feeling that Kafka was here. The next day, that feeling grows. I'm given folders that list documents, with partial descriptions of their contents. I select several, only to be told not all are present. Still unclear how this system works, I make a final list

based on what is available. I return in a week. The building's closed. The next day there's a notice. "Closed due to 'technical problems.'" On my third try, a new guard takes and misspells my name. The woman I've worked with nods, and I sit down at one of the rickety desks. Today the lights work. The woman brings me three folders — the fourth was not found, is missing, or, she says, they did not look hard enough. The documents use old Cyrillic spellings; often I can't make out the handwriting. I am not expecting much. Just handling the material is interesting. The second folder contains a list of students who sold something on a particular evening. And there it is, my family name. I fill out a new form, name and address in Russian and English. She goes through both versions with me, letter by letter and number by number. Since I can't read Ukrainian, the cover will be in Russian. It will be ready next week. When I pick it up, she tells me about a woman who returned week after week for months and never turned up anything. I tell her how lucky I've been and thank her.

It's Saturday afternoon, and we're out for an after-dinner stroll in the area of the Opera and Ballet Theatre, now under reconstruction. In the '50s, Soviet engineers pumped in tons of molten glass to stabilize the foundation. By the early '90s it was moving again, and the city of Odessa had to come up with funds for the work. When it

couldn't, the Ukrainian national government stepped in. Politics played a part. The target date for reopening the building was early 2004, then the fall opening of the new season. That date passed. (By the end of November, the exterior scaffolding had come down, but the interior was empty.)

Barricades around the building do not deter marriage parties from arriving. We see at least four such groups by the building. Downhill, near the archeological museum, a small classical building with a reproduction of the Laocoön in front, are three more couples, their friends carrying bottles of local champagne, cars strewn with flowers and double wreaths. And still farther downhill, near the municipal building, another classical yellow-and-white structure with columns for a façade, are four more couples.

It's a bright day, a touch of fall crispness in the air. Boys on skateboards are taking jumps off the marble base of the cannon mount. Brides are wearing shawls, which they take off for photos, but just now their bare shoulders are cold. The people of Odessa love to be outside. Cafés spill onto sidewalks. On Alexander Street, a long avenue with a grassy, tree-lined strip separating its two lanes, kiosks offer tea and coffee, beer and vodka, light snacks. Tables and chairs have been set out and are occupied even in November by the locals, coats buttoned up to their chins.

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People on park benches are eating *shawarma*, *piroshki*, and *bubliki* (like a bagel, but slightly sweet and eaten whole, not sliced). Sunlight weaves through the trees and dapples everyone, the fashionably dressed women and men talking into cell phones, briefcases tucked under their arms; those drinking, playing cards, and watching their children ride bicycles; even the sniffing dogs.

It's hard for me to gauge the size of the middle class. At any hour on any of Odessa's downtown streets, you can see men and women going through Dumpsters slightly smaller than U.S. models; these are blue plastic with swing-down tops. I bring bagged garbage from my apart-

ment each morning, as everyone else does. The Dumpster-pickers are always there, after bottles primarily, but inspecting everything. Parked nearby are BMWs and Mercedes. At noon on the corner of Deribasovskaya and Yekaterinina Streets — the very heart of downtown, with restaurants, kiosks selling cigarettes and sweets, jewelry stores, guards armed with automatic weapons, men in business suits and women in high heels — you see scabby boys who should be in school. They're 10 or 12 years old, smoking and waiting for something to be dropped. They don't beg; they're patient.

Down the street an old woman kneels and utters prayers, a cup beside her. The poor can be found in all the cities of the world. And drunks too. But they seem more prevalent here, and the disparity between well-off and



Pedestrian mall, center of Odessa

poor seems more extreme. It's that way even inside the courtyard where I live. Some apartments have been remodeled, others have not. Well-dressed, well-off tenants — even a foreigner — live alongside a man who collects bottles from his converted wheelchair. When I get a peek at his apartment once, I see a spigot above a small sink and shabby cabinets. My guess is he's a "pensioner" who supplements that income with what he can scavenge.

The cathedral at the end of

Preobrazhenskaya Street is being rebuilt. It was razed in the '50s. The exterior is newly painted, the crosses gilded; it glows. The square it's located on has a fountain at one end and, at the other, a statue of Count Vorontsov, an early governor of the city. In the evening men play chess at the fountain's base and on nearby benches. Some players punch clocks while groups of men gather around them to watch and kibitz. Others are reading and rocking babies. Boys chase each other; girls walk arm in arm.

It's easy to forget, after you've been here for a while, how odd some things are. The cashiers' windows are so low that to talk to the people behind them, to buy a ticket or bread or anything else, you have to bend down. It's awkward. In effect, it puts you in your place. Inquiries are short, transactions brief.

I ask students about their impressions of America, of California in particular. Those who haven't been abroad talk of music and fast food. Style interests them most. When I try to get



End of Primorsky Boulevard

details, the conversation dies. One of my colleagues with experience in America reminds me that I have to ask specific, pointed questions and press to get answers. The students still aren't used to voicing individual opinions. They hang back. The least inhibited jump to the most difficult topics: America as the world's policeman, America's race problems. What about debts to former slaves, one student asks. They don't relate these questions to their own history —

to the pogroms here, to what happened to deported Crimean Cossacks when they returned, to events during the Second World War.

It's taken me weeks to unravel some of the complexities of a university system in which students proceed through their undergraduate classes much the way middle-school students in America do, in fixed groups from class to class. Their programs, which last four to five years, offer no electives. There is no changing of majors. I have to keep asking, try to uncover my assumptions, to remind myself of what I don't know. ■

— Mark Halperin

Mark Halperin teaches in the English department at Central Washington University. He was a Fulbright lecturer at Moscow State Linguistic University in Russia and has returned there as an exchange professor. His most recent book of poetry, *The Measure of Islands*, is from Wesleyan University Press. He and Dinara Georgeoliani have published translations of Soviet-period writers Alexandr Galich, Daniel Kharmis, and Andrei Platonov.

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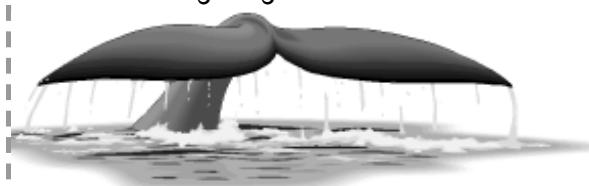
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**You're Invited to a Five-Hour Birthday Party** celebrating 90th anniversary of Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Saturday, January 1, 2005. Party hours: noon to 5 p.m. Other guests: Carol Williams, Robert Plimpton, Jared Jacobsen, Cameron Highlanders Pipe Band, San Diego Youth Ballet, Dale Sorensen, Patrick Biggs, Daniel Myers, David Robinson, others. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**Salute to Vienna New Year's Day Concert** is slated for Saturday, January 1, 2005. Cast of over 75 professional musicians, singers, dancers including Warsaw soprano Katarzyna Dondalska, tenor Otoniel Gonzaga, Vienna Opera Ballet, Strauss Symphony of America, conductor Klaus Arp.

Events begin at 2:30 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets range from \$35 to \$75, available by calling 619-235-0804 and through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**Organ Concert** by civic organist Carol Williams in Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Sunday, January 2, 2005, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Diverse French Composers and Favorite Romantic Gems"** presented by pianist Scott Pratt for First Thursday Concert on January 6, 2005, 7 p.m., in Escondido Library's Turrentine Room (239 South Kalmia Street). Listen for music by Debussy, Poulenc, Satie, Chopin, and Liszt. Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

**The Yale Glee Club** presents concert on Friday, January 7, 2005, 7:30 p.m., in Crill Performance Hall at Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive). Program promises "broad and eclectic range of great choral music," from 18th-Century fugues by William Billings to contemporary compositions by Libby Larsen, Morten Lauridsen, newly commissioned work by Pulitzer Prize-winner Dominick Argento, folk songs, spirituals, college songs. Tickets: \$15 general. 619-281-3356. (POINT LOMA)

**Violin Virtuoso** Itzhak Perlman in recital hosted by San Diego Symphony on Sunday, January 9, 2005, 7 p.m., in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Perlman is joined by pianist Janet Guggenheim. Tickets: \$25 to \$75. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

**Piano Music for Four Hands and Two Pianos** composed by Wolfgang Mozart will be performed by Gustavo Romero and Massimo Somenzi during concerts sponsored by Athenaeum Music and Arts Library and Promote the Music of the Masters, Thursday and Monday, January 20 and 31, 2005. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Tickets: \$29 or \$34 per concert, or \$52 or \$62 for both. Reservations: 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

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### ART MUSEUMS

**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**,

"Cerca Series: Melanie Smith" features recent video and the photography installation *Six Steps to Reality*, made in collaboration with Rafael Ortega. The piece "compares the purely aesthetic object with the process of its making." Installation is accompanied by series of photographs that "further deconstruct as well as intensify our understanding of the process of art." Continues through Sunday, January 9, 2005.

Find the museum at 1001 Kettner Boulevard (at Broadway), directly across from the Santa Fe Railroad Depot. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla**, ideas and influence of minimalist art explored in "Specific Objects: The Minimalist Influence," closing Sunday, January 30, 2005. The exhibit showcases works from museum's permanent collection, as well as newly commissioned pieces. Artists represented include Robert Mangold, Sol LeWitt, Dan Flavin, Agnes Martin, Robert Irwin, others.

Find the museum at 700 Prospect Street. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Museum of Photographic Arts**, "Jeff Bridges — Pictures" represents 30 years of photographic practice by the compelling actor. The included photographs "act as Bridges' personal and professional diary, with actors, directors, and crew appearing as equal participants in the task of making movies." Enjoy these images of "people at work" through Sunday, March 13, 2005.

Andreas Feininger photographed every form, shape, and structure that enthralled him. "Andreas Feininger: Man on the Street" celebrates his "peripatetic love of New York City in the 1940s with 35 photographs," on view through Sunday, March 6, 2005.

Concurrently, take in "Mariana Yampolsky's Mexico," also on exhibit through Sunday, March 6, 2005. Yampolsky began her career as a printer and engraver in Mexico's Popular Graphic Arts Workshop. Her art is said to blend graphic arts with documentary photography, "revealing what is unique or heartfelt in each" of her subjects.

Find the museum in the Casa de Balboa building, at 1649 El Prado; 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

**Oceanside Museum of Art**, 45 contemporary quilts selected from over 600 entries are included in "Quilt Visions 2004," a biennial juried international exhibition. Jurors were Lix Axford, Michael W. Monroe, Jane Sauer. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. Continues through Sunday, January 16, 2005. (OCEANSIDE)

**San Diego Museum of Art**, "Past in Reverse: Contemporary Art of East Asia," showcases "cutting-edge artists working in a diversity of media...who use contemporary approaches to reflect their respective cultural and artistic backgrounds." Each artist's work is featured in a separate section while accompanying wall texts articulate how the artist is responding to historical precedents. Continues through Sunday, March 6, 2005.

"Tastes in Asian Art" includes "some of the most significant works" in the museum's collection. Exhibit features new and rarely exhibited works, along with well-known pieces. Closes Sunday, May 1, 2005.

"Human Presence: Works from the Museum's Collection," two-part exhibit focuses on the human body. "Part I: The Singular Body" incorporates gallery sculptures of people and animals with those in the garden and court. "Part II" brings attention to "physiological reactions to pure form and color" via the "Through the Geometry of Color" exhibit. Experience through Sunday, July 24, 2005.

"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**, "Benjamin West: Allegory and Allegiance," on exhibit through Sunday, February 27, 2005, showcases the artist's three major paintings based on Edmund Spenser's 16th-century epic poem "The Faerie Queen." The exhibition includes preparatory drawings for the paintings, related engravings, and graphic works. West (1738-1820) occupies a significant place in both American and British art histories.

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# Hit House

*"I don't know how you do that. I know I couldn't."*

I can't remember the last time I wrote a Year in Review column, but 2004's earned one. Amid flops and stumbles, this has been the best year in local theater since 1988. But rather than praise winners in the various theatrical categories — the San Diego Critics Circle Award Ceremony will do that January 24 — I want to spotlight some works and promising trends, and ongoing needs.

One of the rubrics the critics used in making nominations: ten years from now, what will you remember about 2004?

For starters, David McBean. I still don't see how he pulled off *Fully Committed* at Cygnet. He played Sam, an actor who takes reservations at a nouveau-ritzy New York restaurant. McBean also played all 39 callers. Sam speaks. The switchboard blinks. McBean then speaks the callers' lines, then Sam's, jumping back and forth. For 70 minutes, he talked nonstop (no mean feat); he created 40 vivid characters in a Grand Central Station scenario; and he entertained. Director Sean Murray, himself a gifted actor, confessed, "I don't know how you do that. I know I couldn't."

Staying with Cygnet Theatre: the versatility of the new company is astonishing. During its first full year, along with a play about a polyvocal receptionist, they staged *Bed and Sofa* (a mini-opera based on a silent film), *Las Meninas* (about the court of Louis XIV), *Escanaba in da Moonlight* (deer hunters in northern Michigan gear up for opening day), and *The Book of Liz* (an Amish-like creator of genius cheeseballs visits the

"real world"). I dare anyone to find a through-line for such disparate works! Or predict which genre Cygnet will master next.

Another hallmark of versatile consistency: this year Richard Baird played Hamlet, Angelo (in *Measure for Measure*), and Macbeth. The 22-year-old artistic director of the Poor Players Theatre amazed in each. The most unforgettable moment: Baird began Hamlet's "to be or not to be" soliloquy in the dark. He lit a cigarette lighter, which only illuminated his face, then extinguished it. Baird flicked the Bic several times during the speech — almost to the point of overdoing the bit (we get the light and dark imagery, okay?!). Then he concluded. Stage lights came up, and Hamlet was holding a can of gasoline. All along, he had been contemplating: to ignite or not to ignite.

Seema Sueko made an unforgettable local debut in the Globe's *Intelligent Design of Jenny Chow*. Young Jennifer is obsessive-compulsive, agoraphobic, hyperactive, and mega-intelligent. She never leaves her gated community home in Calabasas. During a single day she walks — make that sprints — enough steps to exhaust a pedometer. Jennifer also eats pineapple-anchovy pizzas, and Sueko may be the one San Diegan who could consume ten and still lose weight. For two hours she leapt, danced, spun, and cavorted around the Cassius Carter stage like a one-person track meet. And her mind was just as active. I can still see her. Okay, not her, but the blur she left behind.

## REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Richard Baird



Seema Sueko

Sueko's new group, Mo'oleo Performing Arts Company, premiered in 2004, as did, among others, Claudio Raygoza's Ion Theatre, Al Germani's Lynx Performance, and Delicia Turner Sonnenberg's Moxie Theatre, which staged one of the year's best shows, *Kimberly Akimbo*. That new companies would venture to open, amid such art-unfriendly times, is courageous.

It also adds to a persistent problem. Part of the health of any theater community resides in its young companies. But to survive, they need an affordable playing space. The small theaters that provide it, like Dale Morris's 6th@Penn and Bob Corbett's Adams Avenue Performing Arts Studio, have their own seasons and — bless them for it — make room for others whenever possible. San Diego used to have a city-owned, dirt-cheap venue, the Second Avenue Theatre, which got demolished for Horton Plaza. Amid today's redevelopment mayhem, you'd think that such a space would become available.

Another ongoing need: 2004 saw homeless theaters getting a second life. This was new. Moxie's *Kimberly Akimbo* began at 6th@Penn last winter, developed a large following, but then had to close due to scheduling conflicts. Last month, it reopened at the Lyceum Space and wowed audiences again. Rosina Reynolds was wonderful in *Shirley Valentine* at 6th@Penn. Luckily for her and the Renaissance Theatre production, they reopened later in the year at the North Coast Rep for a brief run.

Okay, we're talking the ideal here. But hey, New Year's resolutions are fast upon us. So here goes. Along with a home for homeless theaters, San Diego could also use a House for Hits — a place for *Kimberly*, and the New Village/Backyard co-production of *A Lie of the Mind*, and Lynx's *Jesus Hopped the A Train*, and Ion/Common Ground Theatre's *Raisin in the Sun* — which, given its short run, far too few San Diegans got to see — to enjoy an earned reprise.

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Back in the '80s, local theaters used to have five- and six-week runs and often left a week open after that. This gave word of mouth time to spread. In San Diego positive theater reviews — it's a humbler to say but a hard fact — create at best an option: watch Donnie Edwards play Pro Bowl-quality linebacker; hit the beach, mountains, or desert; or see that show critics liked. But it's word of mouth that sells tickets, and that takes four to six weeks. Given today's three- and four-week runs, by the time audiences develop, the production's long gone.

In 2005 San Diego will have two more shows opening on Broadway: the Globe's *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels* and La Jolla Playhouse's *Jersey Boys*. Thanks to a gap in the schedule, *Jersey Boys* is still running here — and will until January 16 — and its word of mouth is louder than ever.

Nowadays, owing to high rents, full seasons for subscribers, and wall-to-wall scheduling, most shows run three, maybe four, weeks. I can't count the number of times I've heard — and more than ever in 2004 — "we were just building an audience when we had to close."

Wait. So do I. More next time. ■

## THEATER LISTINGS

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### Crime Pay\$!

Mystery Cafe's newest interactive mystery comedy takes place at the

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### Grassroots Greeks: Ajax

The extremely popular series of Greek play readings now has a new location: El Centro Cultural de la Raza. To reacquire local audiences with the masterworks of ancient Greek drama, Linda Castro and David Cohen offer staged readings. The approach is refreshing. There's no attempt at polished work or choices set in granite. Instead, the actors treat the text as if this were the first day of rehearsal, the threshold of exploration. There's some movement, a suggestion of costumes, and (re)acting, but the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek drama, on an unfolding story at once hair-on-fire irrational and as logical as a courtroom debate. It doesn't take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discussion follows the reading, and admission is free, though donations

are appreciated. Next reading: *Hecuba*.

### Worth a try.

EL CENTRO CULTURAL DE LA RAZA, 2125 PARK BOULEVARD, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH APRIL 11; MONDAY, JANUARY 10, AT 7:00 P.M. 619-235-6125.

### How the Grinch Stole Christmas

The Old Globe Theatre stages its popular holiday production of the Dr. Seuss classic. Jack O'Brien directed.

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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 Chan-



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dlar, who must be one of the most versatile performers around, enhance every scene with strong voices and precise character details. Credit as well to the costume designer, unnamed in the program, who provided everything from tuxes to Chargers T-shirts — and enough Velcro to permit what must be, in many instances, split-second changes.

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**Jersey Boys**

This wonderful new musical isn’t just a nostalgic greatest hits of Frankie Valli and the Four Seasons event. It tells the stories behind the songs, and you have composer Jason Robert Brown’s “relationship” musical, based on his own experiences. Actually, it’s got moments that spark. When they meet, Jamie’s an aspiring novelist; Cathy’s an aspiring actor. They fall in love (she’s his “Shiksa Goddess”), marry, and break up. The musical’s twist, which at times works against itself: Jamie’s story goes from past to present; Cathy’s moves backwards from now to then — he darkens, in other words, as she brightens. At the North Coast Rep, director Peter Ellenstein has cast two talented, engaging performers, Jeremiah Lorenz and Erin Cronican, but I don’t think I caught them on their best night. Both sang a bit strained, as if they had just done a matinee (this show’s killer vocal demands, just about every song a high-wire act, rival those of *I Do*; also, though solid, the back-up band almost drowned them out). Lorenz makes the most of Jamie, by far the hipper of the two (in fact, Cathy’s so bland and whiny, you wish Brown’s ex-wife had written her part). Cronican has a show-stopper, though. In “Climbing Uphill,” Cathy does an audition and tells what it feels like as well; the combination feels like a divorce inside a marriage.

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How the Grinch Stole Christmas

audience the real Valli sprang to his feet, pounding his hands and, so it seemed to the crowd who soon stood with him, passing the torch. (Note: The La Jolla Playhouse has extended the run of this production three times.)

**Critic’s pick.**

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**The Last Five Years**

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**National Comedy Theatre**

ComedySportz changed its name, but its methods (and madness) remain the same. Improvisational comedy, making up funny stuff on the spot, is difficult enough. Years ago, however, Keith Johnstone thought it’d be more exciting if done competitively. He got the idea from pro wrestling (“where Terrible Turks managed defrocked priests, while mums and dads yelled insults and grannies waved their handbags”). National Comedy Theatre, an offshoot of Johnstone’s TheatreSports (artistic director Gary Kramer says the two compare like “rugby and American football”), resembles an athletic event more than an improv. Teams wear uniforms and compete on ActroTurf. The night I caught the show, three San Diego comedians played a “challenge match” against players from the San Jose franchise. Using suggestions from the audience, they played “Emotional Sympathy,” “Shakespeare,” “Blind Line,” and “Freeze Tag,” with judges awarding points to the best scenes. Klunkers and groaners got booed; quick wit rewarded (one of the most refreshing parts of the contest: people acknowledge failure, abundantly, then forget it). It made for a lively, often quite funny, evening. And Gary Kramer is one talented comedian.

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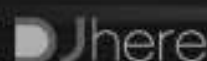
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# the inside track

# blurt

**Tristan Prettyman**, the 22-year-old Del Mar native,



TRISTAN PRETTYMAN A TREKKIE?

signed with Virgin in early October and will start recording next month. She won "Best Acoustic" at this year's San Diego Music

Awards, and her song "My Love" was featured on the October 10 episode of the WB's new television show *Jack and Bobby*. A former

model for the surfer apparel company Roxy, she quotes William Shatner on her blog and has been touring the country this last year, opening for Jason Mraz, G. Love, and John Mellencamp. A year ago she was playing to lackluster audiences at Twiggs and Lestat's.

Prettyman's self-produced CD, *The Love EP*, interested a few labels. I'd heard, however, that she turned down offers, even from Elektra Records, the company that signed Mraz.

Tracking Prettyman down isn't easy. I contacted her manager, Jason Brown. "What was wrong with the offers?" I asked him.

Brown didn't want to comment. "She recently



JAY-Z 'KIND OF DOWN' WITH P.O.D.

accepted a deal with Virgin, and rather than put other labels down, you could take a more positive spin," he said.

— Michael Hemmingson

### In the wake of Jay-Z's

collaboration with Linkin Park on "Collision Course" comes news that P.O.D. may be doing something with the prolific rapper as well. On December 15, P.O.D. drummer Noah "Wuv" Bernardo told *MTV.com*, "There's talk about him trying to do a track with Sonny. We have some people talking in the industry...and they tossed it out to him, and they were saying he was kind of down. The further we go, the more we'll be able to see who is going to fit what style or whatever."

P.O.D. is scheduled to begin recording their next album in San Francisco in January, with Greg Fidelman (engineer for Weezer and the Red Hot Chili Peppers) serving as co-producer. David Hinds (of Steel Pulse) and Damian Marley (Bob's son and Motown artist) are slated to take part. "We have, like, 24 songs right now," according to Wuv. The new material was written over the past three months while the band lived in a rented residence in Palm Springs.

In other P.O.D. news, former guitarist Marcos Curiel's new band, Accident Experiment, will release their full-length debut CD *United We Fear* in January.

— Jay Allen Sanford

**Will Coors Amphitheater**, SDSU's Cox Arena, and SDSU's Open Air Theater be swallowed up by Clear Channel?

The publisher of a major concert industry publication says that is very likely.

"[Clear Channel] would seem like the most likely buyer," said Gary Bongiovanni, publisher of *Pollstar*.

Last week House of Blues Entertainment, which owns the Coors Amphitheater and has exclusive rights to book the Cox Arena and the Open Air Theater, announced it was taking the first steps to sell its concert division called House of Blues Concerts.

The San Antonio-based Clear Channel conglomerate controls the largest radio group in the U.S., Clear Channel Communications, as well as the largest concert company, Clear Channel Entertainment. In most major U.S. cities, Clear Channel Entertainment has exclusive rights over the largest venues in town. In 2003 Clear Channel was the biggest U.S. concert firm, selling 27 million tickets throughout the year. House of Blues Concerts was a

distant second, selling 6 million.

San Diego is the only city where House of Blues operates the largest concert venues in town. In Dallas, Atlanta, and Denver, both Clear Channel and House of Blues share control of the concert scene. Clear Channel dominates the concert business in every other major American city, according to *Pollstar's* Bongiovanni. Locally, Clear Channel only controls the San Diego Sports Arena.

"It was a bad year for concerts," said one local promoter who chose not to be named. "Maybe [House of Blues Concerts] thought their best option now was to sell."

"It was not a good year for large concerts," said Bongiovanni. "House of Blues was very conservative this year. I think they passed on more shows than they booked."

House of Blues Concerts' local staff is headquartered in the administrative offices of Coors Amphitheater. General manager David Swift forwarded questions to House of Blues public relations director Jack Gannon.

"I can't comment who

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the potential suitors are," said Gannon. One insider suggested a major reason the division might be being sold is because House of Blues has taken on too much debt. When asked about HoB's level of indebtedness, Gannon said, "We don't give out that information." House of Blues is privately held.

Gannon said House of Blues would announce by February whether the concert division would be spun off. Gannon explained that the sale of the concert unit is completely separate from the House of Blues nightclub division. The ninth House of Blues nightclub is currently being remodeled in the old Woolworth Building between Fifth and Sixth on Broadway in downtown San Diego and is set to open in "late spring."

Should Clear Channel in fact buy out House of Blues Concerts, Clear Channel's San Diego empire would include Coors Amphitheater, the Sports Arena, Cox Arena, the Open Air Theater, and 13

radio stations.

When Bongiovanni was asked if a Clear Channel acquisition of House of Blues Concerts wouldn't trigger federal anti-trust action, he said, "Do you know who's president...? I think they [the Bush administration] would let it proceed."

— Ken Leighton

### "DJ Monk had a stalker," said an L5 club regular.

December 11, around 1 a.m. at the downtown venue, a fan during DJ Monk's set (dubbed "Hallucination Before Christmas") was having a little trouble with his personal body space. He stood behind Monk with his arms crossed, just watching. After a while, security asked the bulky fellow to move. "I'm not leaving," he reportedly replied.

"It took six security personnel to 'escort' the guy outside," said a clubgoer, "where they kicked him to the curb."

Visiting DJs need not worry about overzealous fans at L5 any longer. The club will close permanently after New Year's Eve, making way for a Hard Rock Hotel, a 250-room, \$100 million development project slated to open in summer 2006.

Also closing this month is the Pirate's Den at 2821 Kettner, middle city's small,



THE LAST OF THE L5 DANCERS

kickback old-school hangout. Replacing it is the Kava Lounge, operated by Merge Events (A/C Lounge, Ventana's); DJ Sean Perry will be the venue's house spinner for 2005. For more info, check out [www.kavalounge.com](http://www.kavalounge.com).

Club Sabbath has left its longtime venue Shooterz on 30th Street and has moved to Club Montage on Hancock Street, where goth fare will be offered every Friday night through Saturday morning. Taking Sabbath's place at Shooterz will be an event from Club Therapy. Seems Therapy producer Bryan Pollard was going to dub the night "Sabbath" until Brandy Wirtz of Sabbath sent him a cease-and-desist letter with the threat of legal action.

"If I have not received an

affirmative response from you by December 25, 2004, indicating that you have fully complied with these requirements, I shall take further action against you," Wirtz stated in the letter.

Pollard has since announced that his Friday nights at Shooterz will be called "Underground."

— Michael Hemmingson

### "Artists should definitely report to Soundscan."

That's a tip from Eli Spector, an executive with 33rd Street Records, about the national tracking service that releases weekly sales figures of barcoded CDs sold through retail outlets.

The Sacramento-based label, owned by Tower Records, is releasing a CD from Encinitas singer/songwriter Alex Woodard. The record-release party for *Mile High* is tonight.

Spector suggests that any band or solo artist looking to get signed should get their self-released CDs imprinted with a Soundscan bar code so that they can know exactly how many units have moved. Woodard said he didn't use Soundscan on his last two self-released CDs. "But I could prove I went through three [1000 CD] pressings," said Woodard. "[Label founder] Morty Wiggins could look at my touring activity and know I'm willing



TOWER RECORDS' WOODARD AT MARTINI RANCH TONIGHT

to do what it takes."

Wiggins is the former general manager of A&M Records. He launched 33rd Street five years ago by signing artists with an already established national track record. The label currently has a 30-artist roster including Cowboy Mouth, Ottmar Leibert, and En Vogue, all of whom have been previously signed to a major label.

"I will be in every Tower Records store," said Woodard. "My CD will be on an end cap at each store and on every listening station." Woodard said 33rd Street will also get his CD into other record retailers across the country.

The beauty of a 33rd Street record deal, said Woodard, is its simplicity. He said 33rd Street collects a flat "20 to 30 percent" for each

unit sold. "It's a much easier deal."

Unlike major labels, Woodard says 33rd Street doesn't advance its artists money for recording sessions or signing bonuses that must eventually be paid back. "This way Morty doesn't have to kick down \$200,000 for a recording session," said Woodard. He said the artist provides 33rd Street with a mixed-down, ready-to-go, mastered recording, and in turn 33rd Street will cover the pressing and marketing costs. The artist is free to go to another label once he sells a certain amount. "Let's say 50,000," said Woodard. "That's my deal. Plus the artist owns his own master recording."

Woodard, 32, said he moved to Encinitas after five years in Seattle. "That's where I met [Columbia recording artist] Pete Drobe. He produced *Mile High*."

Alex Woodard

([www.alexwoodard.com](http://www.alexwoodard.com)) appears tonight at 9 p.m. at Martini Ranch in Encinitas with Anna Troy and the Ken Garcia Band, free admission, must be 21.

— Ken Leighton

**Travis Ryan**, singer with Cattle Decapitation, says he smuggles band merchandise (shirts, stickers, and more) into shows when he is on tour so that the band doesn't have to pay the traditional 20

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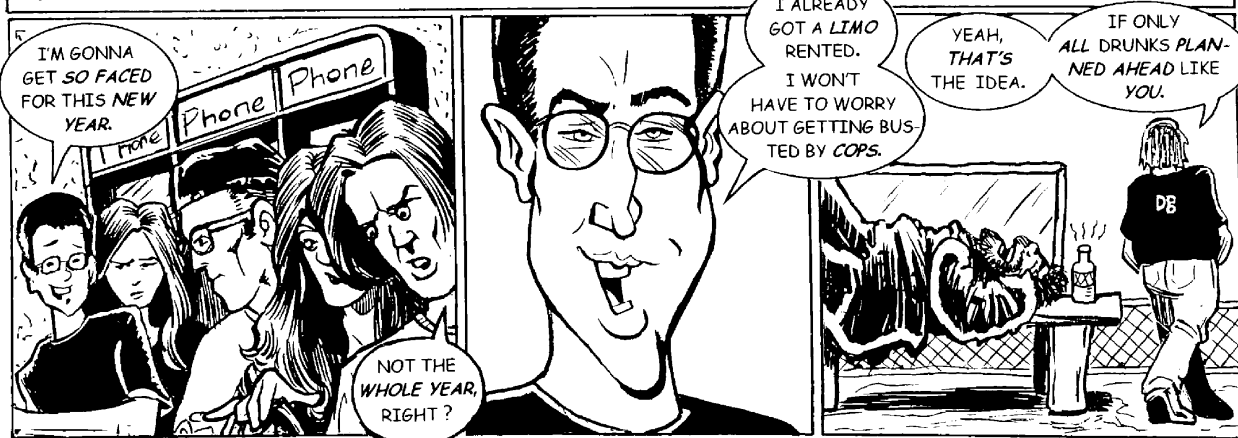
Ryan admits that with the recent murder of guitarist Darrell "Dimebag" Abbott, he thought security would be tighter. "We were playing at this place in Cleveland two days after Dimebag got killed.... I was worried they would search my backpack and I would get busted. I

said, 'Fuck it, I'm going to try it anyway.' So I walked in with my backpack full of shirts. I walked past three or four different security guards, and they didn't say a damn thing. I did have my [backstage] pass on, but I could have walked in there with a knife, a bomb, or a gun. I went in there [with a backpack full of shirts] three different times."

— Ken Leighton

**One New York weekly writes of Switchfoot,** "The San Diego Christian rock quartet whose major-label breakthrough *The Beautiful Letdown* might be the most intelligent, least hysterical piece of alt-rock evangelism I've ever heard. And, yep, that's even counting Pedro the Lion! Throughout the album, frontman Jon Foreman, a shaggy blond-haired Owen Wilson look-alike, floats sentiments Ralph Nader would find safe at any speed: 'We want more than the wars of our fathers'; 'I want to see miracles, to see the world change.' Foreman proselytizes like one of those old hippie dudes you see outside Borders reading bad poetry; he wants to save you, but not if it means surrendering the intellectual privilege shaggy blond-haired dudes receive with a birth certificate."

## OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: UNIVERSITY AVE.



*Village Voice*, 12-6-04  
According to *Billboard* magazine, "A family emergency has pulled San Diego-based rock act Unwritten Law off of the road. The band will not complete the seven dates remaining on its headlining U.S. club tour...bassist Pat Kim's father was hospitalized earlier this week with an undisclosed serious ailment. According to a statement, the band decided to cancel the tour so Kim could be at his side. The band, which was touring with Denver Harbor and Dropping Daylight in tow, plans to reschedule the canceled dates early next year. It was unknown at deadline if the support acts will play the shows as



scheduled."

*Billboard.com*, 12-8-04

— Jay Allen Sanford

**Before Louis XIV**

played a San Francisco venue December 16, an area paper wrote, "Dirty boys finish first. At least that's what San Diego's Louis XIV are betting on. The latest

## FINDING OUT TRUE FAME IS FICKLE

major-label contenders who would be Jet take a smutty page or two from the playbooks of Bowie and Bolan, working the sensation card and pressing all your buttons. Guitarist-keyboardist-vocalist Jason Hill, guitarist-vocalist Brian Karscig, bassist Jimmy Armbrust, and drummer

Mark Maigaard have been treated like royalty of late, garnering West Coast airplay for their single 'Finding Out True Love Is Blind' and gathering chatter on BBC 1 and in *NME* in the U.K. for their song 'God Killed the Queen.' All before their Atlantic debut in January — and you wonder why?"

*San Francisco Bay Guardian*, 12-15-04

— Jay Allen Sanford

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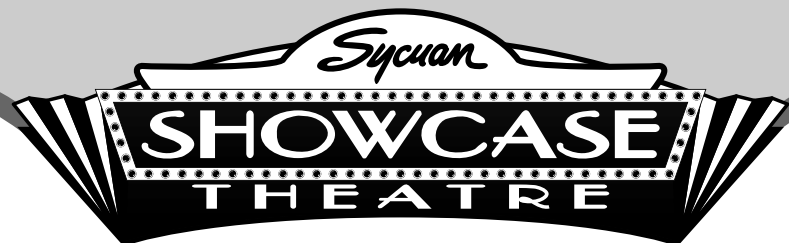
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*"I had to unplug them after two songs. They were great, though!"*

Cathryn Beeks, singer/songwriter and member of the Ghandi Method, hosts a series of local band showcases around town ("mostly free") called "Listen Local." "It started with my open-mike nights as a chance for newer, inexperienced bands and performers to get exposure. I adopted the Listen Local name a few months ago and dropped the 'open mike' connotation. Now I have big-name acts like Gregory Page coming to play alongside the lesser-known locals — for fun, and also to expose their music." The Listen Local showcases take place at various venues, including Brick By Brick's monthly "Acoustic Alliance," where four unrelated performers share the stage at the same time, switching off songs. "The audience gets a taste of every performer's style instead of just catching one person's set and leaving."

Local performers are invited to sign up for a showcase. "If I haven't heard of the band or performer, I usually start them at Hennessey's, since they have the most available slots. A band doesn't have to send me a promo kit, they just need to sign up to play." Interested performers can visit [www.listenlocalsd.com](http://www.listenlocalsd.com) to view a calendar of bands, venues, events, and available openings for new acts.

The next Listen Local showcases take place January 5 at Hennessey's Tavern in Pacific Beach and January 6 at the Tiki Bar in P.B. "The Ani-

mators from New York will be playing [January 6]...they came referred by Dave Howard," says Beeks. "I figured if he likes them, they've gotta be good. Because they're a national act, this time there'll be a cover charge of \$3. Most of the showcases will still be free. That was the original plan: to get music lovers out and introduce them to local bands playing just up the street."

In addition to the Animators and the Cathryn Beeks Band, the Tiki Bar showcase will include a set by Sven-Erik Seaholm, member of the Wild Truth and record producer for Buddy Blue, Dave Howard, and others.

## WHAT'S IN YOUR CD PLAYER NOW?

1. The Ghandi Method, *Hi* ("It's brand new so I'm not tired of it yet.")
2. Pete Thurston, *Leap Before I Look* ("He played at Listen Local recently.")
3. J Turtle, *Project* ("He's an amazing singer and songwriter.")
4. Simeon Slick, *Indigo Child* ("I'm listening to it for the first time after seeing him do an amazing live show.")
5. Girlyman, *Remember Who I Am* ("They're from New York; they passed through town about a year ago.")

## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS?

1. "To get better at time management. I'm working from home and doing showcases a few nights

a week, and it's hard to slot my own music and my life into everything else."

2. "To take Listen Local to the next level. As soon as I figure out what that level is."

3. "To have a peaceful, happy existence."

## FAVORITE NEW YEAR'S EVE?

"For New Year's 2000, I got to ride in [country singer] Edwin McCain's tour bus. A friend of mine is good friends with him, and I got to ride from Nashville to South Carolina. I was the only chick on the bus, and it was great. You know who was the guy to talk to? The bus driver. He had all the best stories!" (She declines to share any.) As for McCain, "I'll tell you what — he parties like a rock star! That's all I'm saying."

## LOCALS DESTINED FOR FAME?

1. Transfer ("They have everything it takes, the 'It Factor.'")
2. Steph Johnson ("She's only been playing about a year and a half, but she's a brilliant jazz musician.")

## FAVORITE BAND NAME?

"Operation VacuSuck. They're a hardcore punk band that almost got me kicked out of my Hennessey's job. They came in for open-mike night and were smashing the chairs and everything. I had to unplug them



Cathryn Beeks

after two songs. They were great, though! That's why I started doing shows at Brick By Brick as well — to have an outlet for bands like that." ■

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### EXTENSION 4000

### THIS WEEK'S CONCERTS

#### THURSDAY

**Ozomatli** [270] and **Slow Motion Reign**: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday,

December 30, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Fishbone** [177], **Good Intentions**, and **Vegitation**: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Thursday, December 30, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

#### FRIDAY

**Steve Poltz** [815] & **the Rugburns** [263]: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, December 31, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Blues Explosion**, the **Dresden Dolls**, **Reeve Oliver**, **Bad Credit**, and more: 4th & B, Friday, December 31, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Atreyu**, **As I Lay Dying**, **Bleeding Through**, and more: SOMA, Friday, December 31, 6 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662.

#### WEDNESDAY

**"Jazz in the Park"** with the **Mike Wofford Trio** and the **Holly Hofmann Quartet**: San Diego Museum of Art, Wednesday, January 5, 1450 El Prado, Balboa Park. Tickets, 619-220-8497; information, 619-298-5255.

### EXTENSION 4001

### UPCOMING CONCERTS

## NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

I was prepared to dislike the **Dresden Dolls**, a piano-and-drums duo that describes their music as "Brechtian punk." I mean, I've heard other people try to combine Weimar Republic cabaret music with rock and modern sensibilities, and at best it has always sounded to me like Tom Waits's B-sides. At worst, well, it gets a lot worse. Then there's the image problem: The Dolls are fond of white face paint, painted-on eyebrows, bowler hats, and striped stockings. In other words, they look like drama-geek Goth kids who have seen *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* too many times. So when I finally heard the Dresden

Dolls, I was surprised to find out that they're really good. When I listened a little more, I was shocked to find out just how good they are. Singer-pianist **Amanda Palmer** has a powerful voice, but she's smart enough not to overuse it. In a style of music that could easily lend itself to histrionics, she keeps the stage whispers and exaggerated emotions to a minimum. Drummer **Brian Viglione** accompanies her tastefully through the quiet parts but lets rip when the song calls for it.

The lyrics, too, are surprisingly good. "Coin-Operated Boy" starts off as a joke about a vibrator, then adds some deeper reflections about loneliness. But the clincher is the bridge, in which Palmer sings, "This bridge was written to make you feel smittener / with my sad picture of a girl getting bitterer." Like



**DRESDEN DOLLS**

a true cabaret star, Palmer knows that cleverness and artifice keep the emotional material from becoming overbearing.

**DRESDEN DOLLS, 4th & B, Friday, December 31, 8 pm. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497. \$20.**

#### JANUARY

**Rocket from the Crypt** [237]: The Casbah, Friday, January 14, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Al Kooper**: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, January 14, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

**Gomez**: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, January 14, and Saturday, January 15, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue,

Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**The Kottonmouth Kings** [129], **King Spade**, and **Mower** [239]: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, January 15, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

**Keller Williams**: 4th & B, Saturday, January 15, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Arcade Fire**: The Casbah, Monday, January 17, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Jay Farrar**: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, January 19, 7 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**The Album Leaf** [996], **Rogue Wave**, and **Sunsets & Landscapes**: The Casbah, Thursday, January 20, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner

Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Dionne Warwick** [497]: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, January 20, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

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**The Steve Morse Band** [226] and the **Dixie Dregs**: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Friday, January 21, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

**The Chieftains**: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, January 22, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Andy Griggs, Lee Ann Womack, and Tracy Byrd**: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, January 25, 7 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

**The Robert Cray Band** [941]: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, January 29, 8 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

## FEBRUARY

**Luna and Midnight Movies**: The Casbah, Thursday, February 3, 8:30 p.m., 2501 Kettner Boulevard, midtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-232-4355.

**Dave Alvin**: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, February 5, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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**Steve Earle & the Dukes and Allison Moorer** [783]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, February 10, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue,

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**Ronnie Milsap**: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Thursday, February 10, 8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

**Bright Eyes** [244] and **Neva Dinova**: Spreckels Theatre, Friday, February 11, 7:30 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

**Bobby Caldwell** [603]: 4th & B, Friday, February 11, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**The Finn Brothers**: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, February 11, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Dark Star Orchestra**: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, February 12, 9:15 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Ani DiFranco** [259]: Copley Symphony Hall, Sunday, February 13, 8 p.m., 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-220-8497.

**Marcia Ball** [953]: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, February 13, 7 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**Jill Scott**: Copley Symphony Hall, Thursday, February 17, 8 p.m., 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-220-8497.

**Chingy**: 4th & B, Thursday, February 17, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

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**The Jonny Lang Acoustic Band:**  
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**The Pat Metheny Group** /635/:  
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**Chris Cagle:** California Center for  
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**Big Head Todd & the  
Monsters** /477/: 4th & B, Thursday,  
March 17, 9 p.m., 345 B Street,  
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**Reverend Horton Heat** /268/:  
'Canes Bar and Grill, Saturday, March  
19, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front Walk,  
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**Mötley Crüe** /475/: Coors  
Amphitheatre, Tuesday, March 22,  
7:30 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle,  
Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or  
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**Handsome Boy Modeling School:**  
Belly Up Tavern, Tuesday, March 29,  
9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue,  
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**Rod Stewart** /605/: Coors  
Amphitheatre, Friday, April 1, 8 p.m.,  
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**The Attica:** Epicentre  
**Before Today:** Soma  
**Bleeding Through:** Soma  
**Bridget Brigitte:** Humphrey's  
**Broken Foundation:** Brick By Brick  
**The City of Whores:** The Casbah  
**Crashkillsfour:** The Casbah  
**Dirty Sweet:** The Casbah  
**Disposable Income:** The Casbah  
**A Dying Dream:** Blind Melons  
**Facing Stateside:** 'Canes  
**Far From Home:** 'Canes  
**Fishbone [177]:** 'Canes  
**FM Revolver:** Brick By Brick  
**Kite Eating Tree:** The Casbah

**Last Priest:** Epicentre  
**Lost at Last:** World Beat Center  
**Maiden Taiwan [181]:** The Casbah  
**Alma Melodiosa:** World Beat Center  
**Moon Tribe:** World Beat Center  
**My American Heart:** Soma  
**Reeve Oliver:** 4th & B  
**Ozomatli [270]:** Belly Up Tavern  
**The Rugburns [263]:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Safe Inside:** Epicentre  
**The Scarlet Symphony:** The Casbah  
**Slot Blue:** Blind Melons  
**Slow Motion Reign:** Belly Up Tavern  
**The Jon Spencer Blues Explosion [126]:** 4th & B  
**The Symphony Case:** 'Canes  
**Tall:** Brick By Brick  
**Terror:** Soma  
**Tetany:** Brick By Brick  
**Throwdown:** Soma  
**Triad:** Brick By Brick  
**Underminded [272]:** Soma  
**The Viewmasters:** The Casbah  
**We Think in Centuries:** Blind Melons  
**Yesterday's Rising:** Soma

### EXTENSION 4003

### ROCK

**Carol Ames [619]:** Coyote Bar and Grill  
**Bad Credit:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**The Bartones:** Tiki House  
**Brain Buckit [563]:** Tiki House  
**Burden of Proof:** Bub's Whiskey Dive  
**Calamity Jam:** Fannie's  
**C.F.I.:** Longshot Saloon  
**A Conscience Mind:** Hennessey's Tavern (PB)  
**The Creepy Creeps:** The Kensington Club  
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**Mike Gardner:** North Bar Sports & Spirits, Mas Fina Cantina, Cheers  
**Hera's Olive [461]:** Dick's Last Resort  
**Hot Rod Lincoln [547]:** Tio Leo's Lounge, Coyote Bar and Grill  
**Red Lane:** Patrick's II  
**Larger Than Leon:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**The M-80's:** Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)  
**Married by Elvis:** Surf N'Saddle  
**Pale Black:** Second Wind (San Carlos)  
**Private Domain [489]:** Dick's Last Resort  
**The Restless Natives:** Coyote Bar and Grill  
**Serious Guise:** Second Wind (Santee)  
**Spare Change:** The Metaphor Coffeehouse  
**The Spots:** Scolari's Office  
**The Stampede Band:** Etta's Place  
**The Steely Damned:** Humphrey's

**Stepping Feet:** Winstons  
**The Stepping Feet:** 'Canes  
**The Stilettos:** Second Wind (Santee)  
**The Stranger's Six [562]:** Soma  
**Tainted Love:** 'Canes  
**The Taz Taylor Band:** Egyptian Tea Room  
**3 EZ Pieces:** The Kraken  
**Tres Palos:** Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)  
**Tubby:** Surf N'Saddle  
**West of Memphis:** Carvers  
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## EXTENSION 4004

## POP / TOP 40

**B Natural:** Bahia Belle Cruise  
**Jesse Davis:** Buon Giorno Restaurant  
**The 80z Allstars:** Rock Bottom (Gaslamp)  
**The Love Rangers:** The Alley  
**The New Breed Band:** Dick's Last Resort  
**The Pier Group:** Trelisses Garden Grill  
**Dean Paul Ratzman:** T.D. Hays Bar & Restaurant, Bistro Soliel  
**Peter Robberecht/Pianoman [622]:** Dakota Grill and Spirits  
**Roz & the Wrecking Crew:** Jimmy Love's

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Does anyone remember Pussy Galore? They were a mid-'80s noise-rock band that took their name from a character in a James Bond flick. Their brief career got traction via gratuitous shock lyrics and vigorous deconstruction of basic rock. Pussy Galore was said to work harder at being rude than at being accomplished. For the most part they were hard to listen to, although they did manage to pull off a junk-art moment or two. One of them was a song-by-song cover of the Stones' only decent mid-career LP, *Exile on Main Street*. I've no idea where you could find a copy of that today, even if you wanted to.

Pussy Galore also spawned a career or two. **Jon Spencer** gained some experience with them before going on to found the band formerly known as the Jon Spencer Blues Explosion. A decade or so later, they're simply called **Blues Explosion**. The name is only partly right. They don't really play the blues, never have. What Blues Explosion does is the sound of raw violence, set into a somewhat funky framework. They are loud and frantic, and their twin guitars sound more like jet engines than stringed instruments. If Spencer took anything from Pussy Galore, it was how to *work* it. In the beginning, he didn't sing so much as he yelled; now he sweats and vocalizes weird and condescending lyrics that are a shade better than inchoate, and often funny.

I don't think of Spencer as being highly skilled, but he is an original, and, live, he is what all generations of punkers wanted to be. Few can match him onstage — that is



## BLUES EXPLOSION

where he does his best work. And even with some level of song hooks and melodies and all that, I'm still not sure that I get what this band is all about. I can't, however, deny Spencer's entertainment value. And he's cleaned up from his Pussy Galore days, no longer peddling tunes like "Pretty F\*\*\* Look," "Teen P\*\*\*y Power," or "You Look Like a Jew."

**BLUES EXPLOSION, 4th & B, Friday, December 31, 8 pm. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497. \$20.**

## EXTENSION 4005

## JAZZ / BIG BAND

**The Archtones:** Croce's Jazz Bar  
**Blue Largo [636]:** Tio Leo's Lounge

**The Sacha Boutros Quartet:** Pasquale on Prospect, Aurora Trattoria

**Ray Briz:** Hotel del Coronado

**John Cain [703]:** Hotel del Coronado

**The Jorge Camberos Quintet:** Croce's Jazz Bar

**Bruce Cameron:** Coyote Bar and Grill

**Karin Carson & Sweet Tea:** Cafe Cerise

**The David Patrone Quartet [647]:** Croce's Jazz Bar, Redfields Lounge & Bistro, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

**Deeja Marie:** Caffè Calabria

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**Jerry Melnick:** The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn  
**The Shep Meyers Quartet** *[660]:* Hotel del Coronado, Croce’s Jazz Bar  
**Cerro Negro & the Cabaret Dancers:** Cafe Europa  
**Sue Palmer** *[641]:* Caffè Calabria  
**Quiet Storm** *[682]:* Humphrey’s  
**Ritmo Caliente:** Sevilla  
**Sambajazz:** Scalini Restaurant  
**The San Diego Concert Jazz Band:** The Inn Suites  
**Carl Saunders:** Dizzy’s  
**Dave Scott:** Croce’s Jazz Bar  
**Sharon Shufelt:** Caffè Calabria  
**Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time:** Humphrey’s  
**Joe Tarantino:** Hotel del Coronado  
**The Jaime Valle Jazz Quartet:** Coronado Island Marriott  
**The Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet:** Tutto Mare  
**Bob Weller:** Dizzy’s  
**Mikan Zlatkovich:** Dizzy’s

EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

**C.O.I.:** The Calypso Cafe  
**Diego Roots:** T.D. Hays Bar & Restaurant  
**The Good Intentions:** ’Canes  
**High Tide:** Blind Melons  
**Irieside:** The Blvd. (San Marcos)  
**Ishmael the Peacemaker:** Blind Melons  
**The Mystic Roots:** Blind Melons  
**Semisi & Fulabula** *[747]:* The Calypso Cafe  
**The Shocks of Mighty:** Blind Melons  
**The Tribe of Kings:** Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)  
**Vegitation:** ’Canes

EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

**The California Rangers:** McCabe’s Beach Club  
**George James:** Don’s Cocktail Lounge  
**Southbound Johnny:** Renegade Inn

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

**Steve Brewer:** McP’s Irish Pub and Grill  
**Joe Byrnes:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**The Celtic Ensemble:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Annie Dru:** Lestat’s Coffeehouse  
**The Flounders:** Robbie’s Roadhouse  
**Allison Gayle:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**Harmony Road:** McP’s Irish Pub and Grill  
**Itai:** Lestat’s Coffeehouse  
**Jackson & Sven** *[852]:* McP’s Irish Pub and Grill  
**The Justin Brothers:** McP’s Irish Pub and Grill  
**Jimmy Lewis:** Tiki House  
**Sean McVicker:** Trelisses Garden Grill  
**Mt. Egypt:** Lestat’s Coffeehouse  
**Sean O’Donnell:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**Kyle Phelan:** Lestat’s Coffeehouse

**Steve Poltz** *[815]:* Belly Up Tavern  
**Gary Rich:** McP’s Irish Pub and Grill  
**Ron’s Garage:** Dick’s Last Resort  
**Linda Sargent:** Lestat’s Coffeehouse  
**Meagan Tubb:** Lestat’s Coffeehouse  
**Robert Wetzel:** Hotel del Coronado

EXTENSION 4009

BLUES / SOUL

**The Backwater Blues Band:** Patrick’s II  
**The Bayou Brothers** *[948]:* Patrick’s II  
**Big City Shaman:** McP’s Irish Pub and Grill  
**Big Slim:** Fannie’s  
**The Blues Brokers:** The Kraken  
**Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters** *[932]:* Chateau Orleans, Robbie’s Roadhouse  
**The Kyle Jester Blues Show:** Mas Fina Cantina

**Candy Kane** *[939]:* Belly Up Tavern  
**Lafayette & the Leasebreakers** *[930]:* Patrick’s II  
**The Late Late Show:** Coyote Bar and Grill  
**Isaac M.:** Dreamstreet  
**The Bill Magee Blues Band** *[947]:* Patrick’s II  
**Modern Day Moonshine:** Coaster Saloon, T.D. Hays Bar & Restaurant  
**Jeff Moore** *[910]:* The Calypso Cafe  
**The Nude Blues:** Bahia Belle Cruise

**The Nik Simon Band:** Patrick’s II  
**J.J. Slyde:** Second Wind (San Carlos)  
**Dean Smith:** The Calypso Cafe  
**Johnny V. & the Usual Suspects:** Patrick’s II  
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EXTENSION 4010

EVERYTHING ELSE

**J.D. Boucharde** *[985]:* Princess Pub & Grille  
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## Calendar CLUBS

### DJ EVENTS

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**Accent:** Saturdays, deep soulful house and disco with ALA, Brian Cabalic, and Mikeytown. La Cantina, 535 Fourth Avenue, downtown. 619-239-1808.

**Air Conditioned:** Thursdays, Lounge with DJ Gage. Fridays, old skool, funk, and disco with DJ Jr. MixMaster. Saturdays, electronic funk with DJ Sean Perry. Tuesdays, Vaya!, DJs SK and Sesqui spin hard salsa, mambo, and boogaloo. Wednesdays, Rockboxx, '80s and '70s rock with DJs Atari, Sergio, and Jr. MixMaster. 4673 30th Street, University Heights. 619-501-9831.

**Axis Martini Bar:** Thursdays, Groove, DJs D-Skwiz and Enigma spin Top 40, hip-hop, and R&B. Fridays, Social, DJ Tasya spins downtempo, sexy lounge, and deep house. Saturdays, Plush, DJs SR-71, Paul D, and Steez spin your favorite dance, hip-hop, and Top 40. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. No cover. 2010 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-2077.

**Bad:** Second and fourth Wednesday of the month, '80s, rock, and electro. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; no cover. Rebar, 3404 30th Avenue, North Park. 619-291-3730.

**Blitzkrieg Bop:** First, third, and fifth Monday of the month, punk, indie, and rock 'n' roll with DJ Mr. Hyde. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Booty Basement:** Fourth Saturday of the month, hip-hop, '80s, and soul

with DJs Rob, Ikah, and Dimitri. 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street, South Park. 619-284-6784.

**The Boulevard:** Thursdays, Club Boulevard, hip-hop and house with DJs Marc Thrasher and Van. Saturdays, Metropolis, hip-hop, reggae, and house, 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. 925 W. San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-510-0004.

**Church of Noise:** Second and fourth Monday of the month, new noise mixed with alternative rock classics. Hosted by DJ Mr. Hyde. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Club '80s:** Thursdays, the best of the '80s with DJs Bryan Pollard and Brian Anderson. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

**Club '70s:** Sundays, the best of the '70s, glam rock, glitter disco, and punk, with DJs B.P., Morgan Young, and Sickboy. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

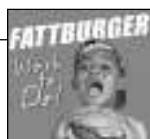
**Darkwave Garden:** Wednesdays, ethereal-electro-fetish. No cover. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Deep:** Thursdays, drum 'n' bass and jungle music with DJs Wallkrawler, Probable Cause, and IzM. 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Rhythm Lounge, 3048 Midway Drive, Midway. 619-224-4835.

**Dub Dynamite:** Mondays, reggae in a dub style — roots, stepper, and UK with Kid Natty and Lionel Judah. No cover. Bar Dynamite, 1808 Washington Street, Mission Hills. 619-295-8743.

**Electrum:** Third Saturday of the month, rhythmic noise, power electro, and militant beats with DJs Bryan Pollard, Chuiy Bitios, and Thermal Detonator. No cover; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Faction-6:** Tuesdays, elektroclash, indie, and synthpop with DJs B-czar, Talbot, and NarcoLept. No cover.



## >hometown CDs

BY MARY MONTGOMERY

**Album Name:** *Work to Do!* (2004)

**Artist:** Fattburger

**Label:** Shanachie Entertainment

**Songs:** 1) Work to Do 2) Over Time 3) 100 Ways 4) Down Time 5) B.D.D.D. 6) Little Sunflower 7) Rene 8) You're the First, the Last, My Everything 9) I'm Just Sayin' 10) That Feels Good

**Price/Where Available:** [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) for \$14.99

**Band Members:** Kevin Koch (drums), Mark Hunter (bass), Carl Evans Jr. (keyboards), Evan Marks (guitar), Tom Aros (percussion), Hollis Gentry III (saxophones)

**Extra Info:** The band's website reads, "Since Fattburger's first performance at San Diego's Triton club [what is now the Beach House in Cardiff] in the mid-'80s, America's finest city has claimed Fattburger as a matter of civic pride. Many call Fattburger 'the sound of San Diego' even though percussionist Tommy Aros is the only native."

**Website:** [www.fattburger.com](http://www.fattburger.com)

This album marks the band's 20th anniversary, with the group serving up high-energy grooves and laid-back melodies. Featuring ten tracks, the CD opens with a soulful ren-

dition of the Isley Brothers' "Work to Do." The band makes good use of lively percussion and an inventive horn section. Cuts four through ten show the members of Fattburger discovering a revamped effer-



Fattburger

vescence. "B.D.D.D." is straight out of a smoky jazz club, with guitarist Evan Marks adding layered dimensions to the bluesy number. Saxman Gentry's bossa-nova-tinged ballad "Rene" proves to be the highlight of the album.

There is a defiant edge to most of the songs that was not present in the group's previous efforts, though their cover of Barry White's "You're the First, the Last, My Everything" proves that their niche is still smooth jazz with a bedroom feel. Fattburger's take on the Coleman, Wakefield, and Wright love song "100 Ways" is just what it takes to set the mood right.

The final cut, "That Feels Good," entertains new possibilities for Fattburger's sound, where strings add a little background texture, but the horns are front and center. The result is a catchy tune, if nothing more than a teaser for what's to come.

(To hear a Fattburger sample, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4648.)

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9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Fusion Young Adult Laser Dance Club:** Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop, booty bass, and reggae. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-9393.

**G101 Lounge:** Fridays and Saturdays, two rooms of fresh beats and atmosphere. 100 Harbor Drive, Suite 101, downtown. 619-702-7101.

**Hands on Wax:** Thursdays, house, hip-hop, and downtempo with DJs SK, Matsu, and Dylan Jones; live percussion by Ken. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Surf 'N' Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474.

**MixLab:** Thursdays, DJ Dex spins an eclectic listening session: alternative hip-hop, urban soul, and Latin grooves. 9 p.m.; 21 and up. No cover. Candelas, 416 Third Avenue, downtown. 619-702-4455.

**Musique:** Every other Saturday, deep to disco with DJs Mateo and Billy O. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Seven-17, 717 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-232-4440.

**One Nation:** Second Saturday of the month, bootleg remixes, '80s classics, and hip-hop with DJs Bart Blackstone and Atari. The Whistle Stop Bar, 2236 Fern Street, South Park. 619-284-6784.

**Plum Loco Saloon:** Thursdays, Latin Night with DJ Rick La Voz. Fridays, hip-hop with DJ Lenny.

Saturdays, old skool and hip-hop with DJ Rick La Voz. Sundays, Reggae Night with DJs Nico and Josh. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. 2511 Sweetwater Road, National City. 619-475-7313.

**The Pompeii Room:** Thursdays, DJ Stiffy spins dirty South, hip-hop, and reggae. Fridays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, R&B, and alternative. Saturdays, DJ Kool T and Stiffy spin hip-hop, R&B, and retro. 740 Nordahl Road, San Marcos. 760-737-5040.

**Red C Lounge:** Thursdays, hip-hop. Fridays and Saturdays, house.

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**Therapy:** Fridays, industrial, gothic,  
and darkwave. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21  
and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street,  
North Park. 619-574-0744.

**Touch:** Saturdays, lounge and house  
music. 9 p.m.; 21 and up. Hayama  
Sushi, 911 Camino del Rio South,  
Mission Valley. 619-692-1152.

**Transport:** First and third Saturdays  
of the month, Brit rock, indie, and  
electroclash with DJ Gabe Vega and  
guests. The Whistle Stop, 2236 Fern  
Street (corner of 30th and Juniper),  
Golden Hill. 619-284-6784.

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**Belly Up Tavern**, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 9 p.m., *Ozomatli* and *Slow Motion Reign*. Friday, *Steve Poltz* and *the Rugburns*, alternative/folk. Sunday, 8 p.m., *Primo*, salsa/Latin.

**Bistro Soliel**, 641 South Coast Highway, Encinitas. 760-942-9549. Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Dean Paul Ratzman*, jazz/old Top 40.

**The Blvd.**, 925 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-510-0004. Thursday, hip-hop/R&B. Friday, 6 p.m., soul and jazz, 9 p.m., rock. Sunday, 4:30 p.m., *Iriside*, reggae. Monday, 10 p.m., local bands. Wednesday, country music.

**Boar Cross'n**, 390 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-2989. Friday and Saturday, *Y3K*, classic rock.

**Bub's Whiskey Dive**, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *Burden of Proof*, rock.

**Cafe Europa**, 667 San Rodolfo, Solana Beach. 858-793-4693. Friday, 8 p.m., *Cerro Negro & the Cabaret Dancers*, salsa/ flamenco/jazz.

**The Calypso Cafe**, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-8252. Thursday, *C.O.I.*, reggae. Friday, *Jeff Moore* and *Dean Smith*, blues/pop. Saturday, *Semisi & Fulabula*, island sounds.

**Carvers**, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *West of Memphis*, rock.

**Cheers**, 2475 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-0270. Sunday, *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

**Coyote Bar and Grill**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Carol Ames*, classic rock. Friday, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., *the Blues Pharaohs*, 9 p.m. *the Restless Natives*, rock/blues/reggae. Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Sunday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Bruce Cameron*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Late Late Show*, blues/rock.

**Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)**, 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Friday, *the M-80's*, rock. Saturday, *Tres Palos*, rock.

**The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe**, 5951 Linea del Cielo, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-1131. Thursday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

**The Kraken**, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, *3 EZ Pieces*, blues/rock. Friday, *Blues Brokers*, blues.

**Longshot Saloon**, 643 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-8576. Friday, *C.F.I.*, rock.

**Martini Ranch**, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Friday, live music. Wednesday, reggae.

**Mas Fina Cantina**, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Thursday, 8 p.m., *the Kyle Jester Blues Show*. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

**McCabe's Beach Club**, 1145 South Tremont, Oceanside. 760-439-6646. Friday, 4:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the California Rangers*, country.

**The Metaphor Coffeehouse**, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, live Dixieland music. Friday, *Spare Change*, rock.

**North Bar Sports & Spirits**, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido. 760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

**Rancho Bernardo Inn**, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizcocho Restaurant: Friday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., and Monday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

**Robbie's Roadhouse**, 530 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-634-2365. Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to

10:30 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*.

**Scalini**, 3790 Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-259-9944. Thursday through Saturday, live jazz. Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., *Sambajazz*, American and Brazilian jazz.

**Squid Joe's**, 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-4996. Thursday, 9 p.m., *Gadfly*, alternative rock.

**Surf N'Saddle**, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway

101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *Married by Elvis*, rock. Saturday, *Tubby*, rock. Wednesday, open mike.

**BEACHES**

**Aurora Trattoria**, 1025 Prospect Street, #250, La Jolla. 858-551-8554. Thursday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Hall & Leighton*, jazz. Saturday, *the Sacha Boutros Quartet*, Latin jazz.

**Blind Melons**, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Slot Blue*, *A Dying Dream*,

and *We Think in Centuries*, alternative rock. Friday, *Deadline Friday*, rock. Saturday, *High Tide*, *Ishmael the Peacemaker*, *Mystic Roots*, and *Shocks of Mighty*, reggae.

**'Canes**, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780. Thursday, 8 p.m., *Fishbone*, *Good Intentions*, and *Vegetation*, reggae. Friday, *Tainted Love* and *Stepping Feet*, rock. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Far From Home*, *Facing Stateside*, and *the Symphony Case*, alternative rock.

**Chateau Orleans**, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday and Friday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

**Coaster Saloon**, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4437. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Modern Day Moonshine*, funky soul reggae.

**Dreamstreet**, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Friday, *Isaac M.*, R&B.

**Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)**, 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Call club for information.

**Hennessey's Tavern (PB)**, 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *A Conscience Mind*, rock.

**Pacific Beach Bar & Grill**, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Call club for information.

**Pasquale on Prospect**, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-0722. Friday, *the Sacha Boutros Quartet*, jazz.

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**CLIENTELE:** 21 and over; the place was packed; 80 percent Caucasian, 10 percent Latino, 10 percent Asian; average age late 20s; one bachelorette party

**COVER:** Thursday \$5 after 7:00 p.m. (free with college ID on Thursday only), Friday and Saturday \$8 after 7:00 p.m.; no cover on other days

**HOURS:** closed Monday; Tuesday through Thursday, 7:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m.; Friday through Sunday, 5:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m. (piano playing starts an hour after opening

Thursday, *Los Reyes del Ritmo*, flamenco/Latin.

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**DRINKS:** happy hour Friday, 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.; eight beers on tap; drinks with musical titles – Raspberry Berry, Milli Vanilli, Liberace Lemonade, Brass Monkey, Rock You Like a Hurricane (which comes in a souvenir hurricane glass); Shout! house shooters served in monogrammed souvenir shot glasses; Thursday has \$5 mojitos (someone told me it's like a mint julep), Sunday \$2 domestic drafts

**FOOD:** appetizers, pizza, burgers, sandwiches (average \$7.95)

**ACCESS:** between G and Market on Fourth Avenue (not much street parking, but pay lots all around)

**DRESS:** casual; I saw a few in cowboy hats and a few in baseball hats

**DANCE FLOOR:** none; tables right up to the stage

1103. Friday and Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., and Saturday, 7 p.m., *David Timothy Smith*.

**The Bahia Belle Cruise**, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 p.m. Friday, *B Natural*, pop. Saturday, *the Nude Blues*.

**Blarney Stone Pub**, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday and Friday, *Joe Byrnes*, Irish folk. Monday, *Sean O'Donnell* and *Allison Gayle*. Tuesday, Irish jam

**FIRE EXITS:** four — the main entrance, one in the back, and two near the restrooms (also fire extinguishers in various locations)

**BATHROOMS:** men's had four urinals and four stalls; women's had five stalls; both were wheelchair accessible, large, clean, and graffiti free

**CAPACITY:** 275

**SPECIAL AREAS:** a lower level with all tables; a high level with bar-style seating (most prefer to be at the tables for interaction with the pianists)

**FURNISHINGS:** the higher level, where the bar is, has 30 seats with a view of the stage and the lower level; lower level has 50 tables; large paintings of Ray Charles and Jerry Lee Lewis; small disco ball, stage lights, two pianos, and a drum set onstage; ATM

**DECIBEL LEVEL:** 115 in lower level, 104 near the bar, during a humorous version of "Jailhouse Rock"; 108 last week at Epazote

**QUOTABLE:** "We were told we couldn't have balloons for our

session. Wednesday, *Larger Than Leon* or *Bad Credit*, rock.

**Brick by Brick**, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Friday, *FM Revolver, Tall, Broken Foundation, Triad, and Tetany*, alternative/rock.

**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.

birthday party.”

“Because some people are allergic to latex?”

“No. They obstruct people’s view.”

I walked in as a piano player was doing Adam Sandler's "Hanukkah Song." Manager Charice told me the piano players know thousands of songs. Usually four piano players work a night, switching off to give each other breaks (and one will occasionally sit down and play drums).

When two piano players did Kenny Rogers's "Lucille," they instructed the crowd to yell, "You bitch, you slut, you whore!" after the line "You picked a fine time to leave me, Lucille."

A guy celebrating his birthday was called to the stage. They made fun of him for looking like George on *Seinfeld*. He said, "Can I sit on the piano?" One replied, "You'd rather sit on it if it was an organ, wouldn't you?"

— Josh Board

**Club Miami**, 6608 Mission Gorge Road, San Diego. 619-843-7400. Friday, reggae/hip-hop. Saturday, salsa, meringue, reggae, and bachata.

**Egyptian Tea Room**, 4644 College Avenue, San Diego. 619-265-7287. Friday, 9 p.m., *the Taz Taylor Band*, instrumental guitar rock.

**Epicentre**, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Music is heavy rock/alternative. Friday, 7 p.m., *Last Priest*, *the Attica Rebellion*, *Safe Inside*, and more.

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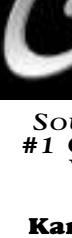
  
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**The Gordon Biersch Brewery**, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Billy Watson*, blues.

**Humphrey's**, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. Friday, 9:30 p.m., *Quiet Storm*, jazz. Saturday, 9:30 p.m., *the Steely Damned*, jazz/rock. Sunday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Monday, 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Bridget Brigitte*, alternative.

**The Inn Suites**, 2223 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-296-2101. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., workshop/concert with *the San Diego Concert Jazz Band*.

**JP's Pub**, 10436 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard, Tierrasanta. 858-576-2509. Friday, live blues/rock.

**The Kensington Club**, 4079 Adams Avenue, Kensington. 619-296-284-2848. Friday, *the Deadbolts* and *the Creepy Creeps*, alternative rock.

**Lestat's Coffeeshouse**, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. All music is acoustic/folk. Thursday, *Manic Swing*, *Linda Sargent*, and *Meagan Tubb*. Saturday, *Mt. Egypt*, *Itai*, and *Kyle Plelan*. Monday, open mike. Wednesday, *Annie Dru*.

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**Second Wind**, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m., *Pale Black*, classic rock. Tuesday, *J.J. Slyde*, blues.

**Soma**, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Friday, *Atreyu*, *As I Lay Dying*, *Bleeding Through*, *Throwdown*, *Terror*, *Before Today*, *Underminded*, *the Stranger's Six*, *My American Heart*, and *Yesterday's Rising*, heavy/alternative/rock.

**Tio Leo's Lounge**, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Friday, *Blue Largo*, jazz/blues. Monday, tango. Tuesday, zydeco. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *the High Society Jazz Band*.

**Trelisses Garden Grill**, 500 Hotel Circle North, San Diego. 619-908-5017. Thursday, *Sean McVicker*, acoustic. Friday and Saturday, *the Pier Group*, pop.

**Tutto Mare**, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *the Jaime Valle/Bob Magnusson Jazz Quartet*.

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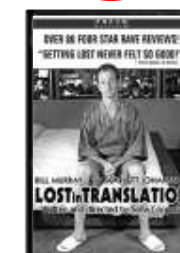
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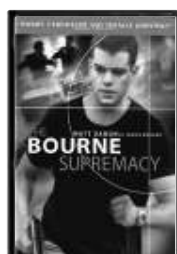
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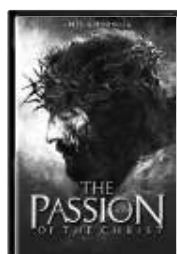
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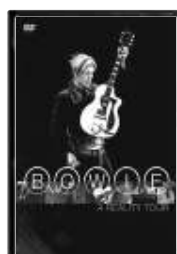
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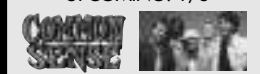
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# The Year's Best Bites

I eat in at least 50 restaurants a year — more often, 65 and up. Some you read about; others prove too short-lived or too awful to merit ink.

The “Bests” list here reflects only meals that I’ve eaten during the last 12 months. Most of these restaurants opened within the last 16 months, but unlike (say) movies, which are preserved on DVD in their original versions, restaurants change over time, so I periodically recheck old favorites to see whether they still deserve the laurels earned long ago. Some classic restaurants that have maintained their standards are included below. But don’t look here for a single “Best Restaurant” or “Best Chef.” Great cooking comes in such a multitude of forms and genres, I can’t squeeze it into absolutes.

**Best New Restaurant:** China Max (4698 Convoy Street at Engineer Road, Kearny Mesa, 858-650-3333). The “Best New Restaurant” is also the best Chinese restaurant I’ve found in San Diego. Close your eyes and open your mouth — you could be eating in Hong Kong, arguably the culinary capital of the East. Addictive Peking duck, lacquered “crispy fried” squab, and live-tank seafood are among the attractions — equally impressive is the wide array of homey south Chinese “peasant” dishes rarely found on local bills of fare. In an area where most Chinese restaurants offer cookie-cutter menus of goopy, *guai lo*-adapted favorites, China Max stands out for its clear regional identity, lucid cooking, and a menu all its own.

**Most Creative New Restaurant:** Asia-Vous (417 W. Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-5000). This is fusion master Riko Bartolome’s triumphant North County homecoming, in (at last!) a restaurant of his own. Freed from corporate bondage, Riko has unleashed his creativity, resulting in a number of extraordinary dishes, such as sweetbread morsels matched with sweet Chinese sausage, and airy potato gnocchi sauced with lobster and vanilla. His larder of rare ingredients includes pampered Kurobata pork, and *moi*, a Hawaiian fish formerly reserved for royalty. To eat royally here, you won’t need ermine robes — the atmosphere and prices are more bistro than big-bucks bash. A terrific and affordable wine list complements the high-adventure cooking.

**Best Berkeley Restaurant in San Diego:** Region



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(3671 Fifth Avenue at Pennsylvania, Hillcrest, 619-299-6499). Chef Michael Stebner and co-chef/owners Allyson Cowell and Jack Fisher at Region have created San Diego’s closest culinary approximation to Berkeley’s famed Chez Pansie.

This is a deceptively simple style of cooking that showcases the flavors of natural ingredients. The wine choices — eccentric, adventurous, and not necessarily expensive — are a fine match for the cuisine. Packed houses almost every night prove that San Diego is more than ready for this culinary rigor. (Now that Region is so successful, my New Year’s wish for it is carpeting, drapes, and a soundproof ceiling, so that patrons can concentrate on the exquisite food, not the next table’s business.)

**Best New Ethnic Restaurant:** Pomegranate (2302 El Cajon Boulevard, northeast corner at Louisiana, University Heights, 619-297-4007). Our one and only Georgian restaurant is a more-than-welcome addition, serving the zesty, spicy

cooking of the Slavic deep south. Co-owner/chef Jon Skorepa is a food scholar, with a distinctive culinary heritage that counts among its joys a spectacular, meaty borscht (no resemblance to the bottled stuff), rich stews, and juicy house-smoked trout. The menu gives merely a hint of the final dish, cooked daily according to his mood. What’s more, the decor is a comedy show, with odd objects

dangling from the ceiling and multilingual graffiti on the walls and beams.

**Best Remake:** Chive (558 Fourth Avenue near Island, Gaslamp district, 619-232-4483). The old Chive was wonderful, but now, with chef Fabrice Poigin (most recently of Bertrand at Mr. A’s) taking charge of the kitchen, it features a new cuisine for the upscale residential neighborhood rising around it. Diners can choose an adventure meal or enjoy an evening of sophisticated comfort food. Urbane multicultural fusions dance cheek to cheek with remade American classics and the oc-

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casional sleek French luxury dish. A new “grazing menu” offers small bites for folks on a diet or on the run.

**Best Restaurant to Take Visitors from Dubuque:** Coronado Boathouse 1887 (1701 Strand Way, Coronado, 619-435-0155). If you’re entertaining food-fearing in-laws and want a good meal without spending a fortune, put on your aloha shirt and head over the Coronado Bridge (itself an eyeful for visitors). The old Coronado Boathouse boasts a handsome Victorian structure that mirrors the nearby Hotel Del, plus enthusiastic servers, water views, and satisfying mainstream American cooking. The herbed artichoke appetizer was among my favorite appetizers this year, and I loved the macadamia-crusted halibut, the Prime-grade roast beef, and a molten chocolate cake made with dark Belgian chocolate.

**Best Service:** Grant Grill (U.S. Grant Hotel, 326 Broadway from Third to Fourth, downtown, 619-232-3121). Like well-aged Bordeaux wines, the waiters are mature, mellow, food-friendly, and serve with finesse. They don’t want to be actors when they grow up, and they don’t want to be surfing instead of serving. They’re skilled professionals and do everything within reason to increase your comfort and pleasure.

**Best Dim Sum:** Jasmine Bistro (Parkway Plaza, 315 Parkway Plaza, at Fletcher Parkway and the 67 Freeway, El Cajon, 619-588-8228). Dim sum is always fun — but Jasmine Bistro pushes this art form one step beyond. Unlike the mass-feedings at huge and crowded dim-sum pagodas, the kitchen here makes small, fresh batches, which you can order using point-and-shoot from a laminated picture menu, as well as from rolling steel carts that change their assortments at every round. Delicious either way.

**Best Beef Entrée:** Wine-Braised Short Rib with Smoked Mashed Potatoes at George’s at the Cove Fine Dining Room (1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-4244). My dinner at George’s proved among this year’s most pleasurable experiences, and a highlight of chef Trey Foshee’s menu is the short rib of USDA Prime beef — rarely used in braised dishes because of its cost; the difference in grade is palpable in the richness of this oftentimes tough cut. It’s a finer meaty treat than the whole year’s worth of Gaslamp steaks combined. And the smoked mashed potatoes under the rib are

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Best New Peruvian Restaurant: El Dorado (311 Palomar at Third Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-426-4545). Several authentic Peruvian dishes cooked with skill justify the trip. *Papa rellena* is potato bliss, a football-shaped patty of creamy mashed potatoes wrapped around a filling of lean ground beef and condiments, then deep fried to create a millimeter-thick layer of crunchiness. *Seco de cabrito*, baby goat stew, offers a complex explosion of flavors, including cilantro. The kitchen also makes a mean ceviche and yummy fried bananas.

Best New Thai Restaurant: Rama (327 Fourth Avenue, near K Street, Gaslamp District, 619-501-8424). The more spacious sibling of the marvelous Celadon Thai outshines its big sis, with the same exhilarating dishes, plus a few new ones. The *Tom Kha*, hot-sour coconut milk soup, is beyond rich — made from fresh coconuts. This is the secret of many of the curries, too. The menu bravely offers less popular (but equally delicious)

authentic dishes such as *Gai Qua*, chicken with broad, flat noodles and a slightly sweet sauce based on palm sugar, and the wicked *Kanna Moo Krob*, a tasty fat-fest made with unsmoked bacon.

Most Delicious Sculpture in the Medium of Fish: Pearl (11666 Avena Place at Webb Park, Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-3388). This extraordinary dish looks like a dish mop with sponge rubber "fingers." It's an edible sculpture made from Chilean sea bass, with fish-flesh rising from the skin like an onion flower. Lightly baked to form a crust over the tender meat, it's served sprinkled with pine nuts and dots of melon — and tastes even more fabulous than it looks. Pearl, a spin-off of Emerald on Convoy Street, also deserves kudos for excellent dim sum, including a superb shark-fin soup dumpling: A concentrated broth (poultry-based but with hints of seafood) surrounds a translucent purse of the thinnest possible won ton noodle dough. Break it open and out pours minced and shredded mystery ingredients, with multiple textures and fascinating flavors.

Best Dungeness Crab: "Special Sauce" Dungeness Crab at Phuong Trang Vietnamese Seafood Restaurant (5296 University Avenue at 53rd Street, central San Diego, 619-582-0603; 4170 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750). The crab is live when you order it — you can even shake hands — and sauced with tamarind, a sweet-tangy fruit paste that glazes the stir-fried shells and meat. The top shell, perched over the chopped limbs, is stuffed with the coral (roe), tomalley (liver), and stray crabmeat bits, bound into

a substantial omelet that's hard-glazed with the same exuberant sauce.

Best Sushi: Taka (555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-338-0555). As sushi bars multiply in the Gaslamp (along with everywhere else), Taka remains the local standard, with impeccably fresh seafood, perfect rice, and exquisite technique.

Best Dessert: Sweets are not my strong suit, so this is a hard category for me. Most people crave a sweet ending to a meal, especially chocolate — which I find boring unless it's exceptional. My choice is the trembling, airy *panna cotta* made by Jack Fisher of Region (3671 Fifth Avenue at Pennsylvania, Hillcrest, 619-299-6499) — who also makes his own cheese.

Cheesecake on Parade: Speaking of cheese, cheesecakes are rising to prominence, perhaps finally replacing the last decade's exhausted parades of crème brûlée and tiramisu. The year's most exciting renditions were Laurel Huffnagel's daring Brie cheesecake at California Cuisine (1027 University, Hillcrest, 619-543-0790), Damaso Lee's bewitching pistachio-crusted honey-orange ricotta cheesecake at Trattoria Acqua (1298 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0709), and Hannes Cavin's airy New York cheesecake at New Leaf (Hilton Gaslamp Hotel, 401 K Street, Gaslamp District, 619-702-8280).

Best Spot for Espresso and Dessert: Assaggio (835 Fourth Avenue, between the two Banners, Gaslamp, 619-234-6538). Open nightly until 11:00 p.m., Assaggio is a great place to stop for dessert and coffee after a movie or play. It offers house-made desserts, fresh from the day's baking, including a poufy spongecake concoction called

*dolce di crema* (resembling Latin *tres leches*) and an authentic tiramisu restrained enough to remind you of why this sweet got popular. The espresso is outstanding, both in its Italian beans and the "barista" technique. Even the decaf version tastes the way coffee smells.

Best Local Sweet: Chuao Chocolates (the Lumberyard, 937 South Coast Highway, Encinitas, 760-635-1444; Westfield Shoppingtown UTC, 4465 La Jolla Village Drive, 858-546-1463; [www.chuaochocolatier.com](http://www.chuaochocolatier.com)). Sublimely complex Venezuelan chocolate meets creative fillings, such as passionfruit-caramel and ginger-green tea. And then there's the irresistible passionfruit gel candy. Wow.

Best French Toast: Brockton Villa (1235 Coast Boulevard, La Jolla, 858-454-7393). Confession: Only rarely do I enjoy breakfast in restaurants, unless that meal is their forte, so I can't honestly name any overall "Best Breakfast." But I do know French toast and regard Brockton Villa's "Coast Toast" as the Platonic ideal of the genre — slabs of fluffy Italian bread soaked overnight and baked to a chewy crust, with the interior texture of a soufflé and the alluring flavor of orange liqueur.

"A Sucker Born Every Minute" Booby Prize: Osetra (904 Fifth Avenue at E, Gaslamp District, 619-239-1800). The most expensive restaurant in metropolitan San Diego (and maybe the whole county) has become the hottest ticket, with reservations taken six weeks ahead of time. What do you get for your money? Well, there's a Las Vegas atmosphere, with glitzy decor and a "wine angel" in black tights hoisting herself up and down a

glass tower to fetch your precious bottle. If you are a celebrity, an identified restaurant reviewer, or if you start your meal with the caviar plate (indicating your intention to spend grandly), you may get decent service. If none of the above, then probably not. The cooking? After seven-person meals on two evenings, we were more impressed by the angel than the food.

**THE YEAR IN FOOD**

The big item in food news this year happened in a single neighborhood: The Gaslamp has been transformed. The opening of Petco Park, along with the upgrading of hotels near the Convention Center, has brought lasting changes. The parking problems on game nights have eased with the completion of several new lots, but once Gaslamp parking prices were jacked up to \$10-\$15, few ever came back down again. Unless you go to a hotel restaurant with validated parking, the price of a night out has risen. There's also a difference in the style of restaurants that dominate the area. Plenty of the old Italian restaurants still survive, but they no longer own the streets. The simple steak-and-seafood formula favored by conventioners now pervades Fifth Avenue from the Convention Center all the way to Broadway, and it's making inroads on Fourth (Fleming's, Oceanaire) and Sixth (McCormick & Schmick's).

Other new Gaslamp restaurants — Ra Sushi, Mister Tiki's, Osetra, Yard House, and the Latin Room among them — are more "sceneries" than eateries, with distinctive decor, pounding music, and at least as much creativity lavished on

their cocktails as their cookery. Last year's opening of the "W" proved that the Cafe Japengo singles crowd will gladly come downtown on weekends; this new crop aims to entice them to the hub.

A few blocks eastward, more drastic changes are in store. As luxury condos overrun the old East Village, we can expect to see an explosion of ground-floor restaurants, cafés, and coffeehouses to feed their hungry, overworked residents. I doubt that these will be magnet restaurants. Market Street, I predict, will become a longitudinal, inside-out food court (with eateries facing the street, rather than the mall's center) from 6th to 16th, with a plethora of "casual" and ethnic fast food, takeout, and delivered food of the pizza-gyros-fish tacos ilk. The one piece of good news: Albertsons is building a square-block-sized supermarket (including parking) in the heart of E-Ville, a neighborhood where, currently, if you like to cook, you could starve.

The other local trend is the increasing pace of the game of "musical toques," a swirl of ownership changes and chefs moving from one restaurant to another to...I'm not going to detail it here. I've covered it all year, and it's too exhausting to revisit.

Restaurant Obits: Very sad RIPs to 808, the Third Corner, Cafe 828, and the venerable DB Hacker's fish'n'chips joint in Encinitas. Laurel (its entrance and nearby parking blocked by construction for several months) is reportedly up for sale, if the owners can find a taker with money to burn. *Sic transit gloria mundi* — it'll be painful if we lose our Laurel to yet another (yawn) steakhouse. ■

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"To fulfill man's destiny, dude. To wreck this earth and send our kids off to Mars."

"No," I say. "Why are we here, at this place?"

"Oh. Wi-fi, dude," Hank says. "It's a hot spot. You can e-mail your broker on Wall Street till your billfold bursts. I use it a lot."

"Yeah, like you got real rich in 2004."

"At least I tried. And you?"

"Planets weren't aligned right. Still, we're both here, ain't we? We survived."

"Point. Good point. Not the Donald, but not Martha either. Right?"

"Right."

"So let's eat."

We get up from where we've been sitting in the sun, head past a blackboard with something about "raw" scribbled on it, then under a sign, "Couleur Café." Inside, it's living-room comfy, with couches and swirly cane chairs, wildwood wreaths. A carpet hangs on the wall, a woven French-café street scene.

Hank plucks a paper menu out of a box. It takes — I count 'em — five seconds for him to decide. "I'll have the Greek salad, large, with turkey on top," he says to the gal behind the counter.

"Greek salad? Again?" I mutter.

"Cholesterol, dude," he says. "You gotta be serious." The salad is \$4.99 (small's \$3.99), and the

turkey's 50 cents extra. He gets an iced tea too (\$1.29).

Me, I'm looking at the sandwiches. You can have them cold or hot. This place has the usual suspects: American (ham, turkey, and roast beef), club (ham, turkey, bacon), B.L.T., "Hail Caesar" (beef with Caesar dressing), "Sister Salmon," "Uncle Tuna," and a vegetarian, which is basically cheeses. All \$4.99 for the 6-inch, \$6.99 for the 12-inch.

The hot sandwiches run from "Fromage Fondue" (cheddar, Swiss, provolone, and cream cheese), to ham and salami, to "Beefy Yum Yum" (beef, pastrami, and Swiss). A platter deal for \$8.99 small, and \$11.99 large, includes soup, sandwich, salad, and a drink.

I end up getting the "Guilty Melty," with turkey, salami, bacon, cheeses, onion, and tomato. The large, 12-inch, \$6.99.

We sit down next to a chess table that looks as though it's used a lot. Heather, the gal at the counter, brings us two big black plastic plates, loaded. Hank's is piled with lettuce, olives, yellow pepper slices, red pepper slices, cucumber, and feta cheese crumbles. Slabs of turkey on top. Heather has artistically circled everything with tomato slices. Mine is two six-inch lengths of wheat French bread, cut into long triangles and framed by a couple of pickles. And, oh yes — plenty of turkey and salami, and the bread's hot and fresh, and the oil and vinegar and raw onion give it a tangy kick.

A phone rings. Pretty little lady with rosy cheeks comes out to answer it.

"Uh, what's with the 'raw' sign outside?" I can't help asking when she hangs up.

"Raw? Oh, you've got to come see this," she says.

I get up and follow her — Elizabeth — back into a small kitchen. It has refrigerators, dehydrators, and jars of what look like sprouting grains. Two black dehydrators hum away. "The Champion, World's Finest Juicer" stands next to packets of grain labeled "Sun-Grown, San Diego."

"We're starting up a vegan-raw alternative restaurant here," she says. "But people aren't used to it. I have to show them how good it is. Here, try this."

She hands me a mushroom stuffed with some dark paste. Mmm. Chocolatey, almost, but savory. "It's a nutty paté with oregano, pine nuts, sunflower seeds, and *nama shoyu*, that's raw soy sauce," she says. Pretty soon she's stuffing me with a nut "ravioli" and a delicious buckwheat "granola," with the kernels all stuck together.

"We heat live food only to 110 degrees maximum so its enzymes stay alive." Elizabeth has "milk" made from macadamia nuts and Brazil nuts, "tortilla chips" from flax seeds, raw chocolate from the cacao plant. "We can do anything!" she says. "Walnut

burgers, 'seafood' cucumber salads made with this." She holds up a packet of *aramé* — raw seaweed. "But the secret of it all is right here."

She lifts a jar filled with wheat. Each grain sprouts a green shoot. "Things we eat should be alive," she says. "I have changed so much on this. We bought this place in September. By October, I was inspired by the raw food idea. I went to classes in Santa Monica. I studied. I started eating a raw diet. I am Type 2 diabetic. It helped my blood sugar straight away! My energy is up. But the 'killer' was this test: You get some raw burger meat, leave it somewhere for a week. And leave some raw grain somewhere else. Come back a week later, and the burger meat has mold, maggots, and stinks. It's dead, rotting. But the grain is sprouting, growing, fresh, because it is alive. That's the point. We should be eating live food, not dead."

Wow. Hadn't thought of it like that.

"That's it," I say to Hank. "We're eating raw from now on. A New Year's res! A year of raw. Once we cross that midnight line, raw!"

"Very funny," Hank says. "And Carla?"

"She'll, she'll..."

"Chew your head off. Send you packin'. For Mars, probably." ■

**The Place:** Couleur Café, 7820 Broadway, Lemon Grove, 619-697-0036

**Type of Food:** Hot, cold sandwiches, vegan, raw

**Prices:** Greek salad, \$3.99 small, \$4.99 large, turkey 50 cents extra. Cold sandwiches (\$4.99 for 6-inch, \$6.99 12-inch) include American (ham, turkey, roast beef), club (ham, turkey, bacon), "Sister Salmon," "Uncle Tuna." Hot sandwiches (same prices) include "Fromage Fondue" (with cheddar, Swiss, provolone, and cream cheese), "Beefy Yum Yum" (beef, pastrami, and Swiss), and "Guilty Melty," with turkey, salami, bacon, cheeses. Raw dishes include hazelnut and raisin breakfast cereal with bananas, macadamia-and-Brazil-nut milk, \$4.99; "Colorful Pasta" ("angel hair" sliced from zucchini, carrots, cucumber, with marinara sauce), \$10.49; fresh fruit with dipping sauce made from dried apricots, figs, \$5.99

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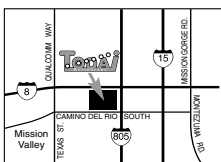
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# Career Explosion

*"A client wanted something signed. He had this crate next to him, and he just started doodling."*

**I**'ve been in the arts since I was 17," says Michael Wolf, owner of the eponymous art gallery next to the Wine Bank downtown. "March will be the ten-year anniversary of my gallery. I've never seen an artist sell like this." The artist is Thomas Arvid, a still-life painter who has, for the past decade or so, made wine his subject. Specifically, wine in the bottle and in the glass, sometimes accompanied by corks, corkscrews, and wooden casks.

On a Friday night earlier this month, he paid a visit to Wolf's gallery to sell copies of his book *Arvid: Redefining the Modern Still Life*. The book, which chronicles Arvid's development as a painter and includes many images of his work, retails for \$75. A special edition — leatherbound, packed in a wooden "wine crate," and accompanied by three "pen-and-ink limited-edition serigraphs" — sells for \$1250. "It's the first time you've ever been able to get his sketch-type works," says Wolf. "I sold 50 books, four of the special editions, and all three of the serigraphs, framed, for \$2100. I probably had 200 people through the three hours we were here. There was a line all through the gallery of people waiting for him to sign things. They had brought their pieces; they were going next door to the Wine Bank and buying bottles for him to sign. It was phenomenal."

Wolf also sold about twenty giclee-repro-

duction Arvid prints, which Arvid says start at around \$700 and which often run up to \$1200. And that's before they sell out their under-500 production run. Arvid says that some galleries will sit on the prints until they're sold out every-

where else, then sell them for as much as \$3000. Wolf says he saw a print of Arvid's first painting of Opus One in Caesar's Palace for \$6000. "It was \$750 just two and a half years ago. Just phenomenal. Sylvie and Jean Michel Diot up at Tapenade bought around eight prints from me right at the

beginning; they're sitting on a gold mine now."

And to top it off, "A client walked in about five minutes into the show and said, 'Anything original — point me to it right now. I want it.'" As it happened, Wolf had an original for sale. An Opus painting, rougher than usual, but perhaps that was due in part to the surface: the wooden bottom of an Opus wine box. "It's the second one he's done," says Wolf. At a show a while back, "A client wanted something signed. He had this crate next to him, and he just started doodling with his signing pen. The client said, 'Oh, I'm going to hang this on my wall!' Arvid had the idea to go ahead and do some paintings. I got some crates from Mike at the Wine Bank and sent them to him. He kind of did it on the airplane on the way here and finished it out in his hotel. It's actually still drying," even as it hangs on the gallery wall.

## Crush

MATTHEW LICKONA

The original hungry client at the show took one look and bought it for \$4000. "They're buying because of his name, wanting to get something original."

Wolf has an original in his gallery: *Between You and Me*, a full-size (32"x16") painting of a bottle of Opus flanked by two glasses, the cork resting on the table. But it wasn't for sale during the show; it had been purchased over the phone by a collector near Mexico City on Thanksgiving Day. Price: \$24,000. "We commissioned the original two and a half years ago," amid the explosion of Arvid's career. "It was supposed to come to us within a year at \$12,000. It ended up taking 26 months, and it came in at \$20,000. Then, in the eight or nine months that I sat on it, it went from \$20,000 to \$25,000. In a couple more years, you're going to be looking at \$50,000 to touch one of his pieces."

(And that's only the money side. Says Wolf, "His commission list is closed; it's over four years long. I can show you an e-mail from a client, a lady who said, 'My husband is turning 60. I have a bottle of 1945 Chateau Haut-Brion I want you to paint. Money's no object.' Arvid said, 'Sorry, my list is closed. When it opens, I'll call you.' That's crazy. Tell me another artist who can say that.")

Wolf commissioned *Between You and Me* after his friends/silent partners discovered Arvid at an art expo in New York. Arvid recounts that he had made a splash at the 2000 International Art Expo, "a convention where galleries go to seek out new talent. I was there just crossing my fingers and hoping for the best, and I just had a jam-packed booth. All the galleries were saying, 'I've never seen anything like this; this is exactly what the industry needs.'" The next year, Wolf's spotters — collectors themselves — saw something in Arvid's work and jumped at it. "It was



*Between You and Me by Thomas Arvid*

great timing. Within a couple of hours, Exclusive Collections up in Mission Viejo wanted to get him, but we landed him. The closest gallery to get him is in Laguna."

Why is he so popular? Part of Wolf's explanation is eminently practical: it has to do with the way people use art to decorate. Arvid notes that "galleries tend to open up in tourist destinations. That's when people are thinking about their homes — when they're away from them. At home, they're too busy making sure there are

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groceries in the refrigerator and doing their work and maybe a little bit of socializing. They don't think, 'Why don't we go to a few art galleries today?' But if there's a gallery on a tourist walk, something might catch their eye. They might see artwork and say, 'Hey, wouldn't that look great by the bar, or downstairs in the den?'

Or in the wine cellar? Adds Wolf, "Ten years ago, people were not building wine cellars onto their homes. These days, people are building wine cellars, having collections, buying futures." An Arvid helps define the space in the home, and home is ascendant. "Believe it or not, I think 9/11 had something to do with it. We got away from going out so much, started spending more time with friends and family in our own cocoons, feeling safe and comfortable and so forth. You come to 'Okay, I have this new room for entertaining, this wine-tasting room. How do we go ahead and finish it out?'

But that doesn't entirely explain it. People have been painting still lifes of wine bottles since forever. Arvid, without the benefit of formal training, changed the perspective and so invigorated the genre. "He's the first in how many years to change the look of a still life," says Wolf. "Instead of the sugar bowl/pear/fruit-on-a-flat-plane type of work — which I call Grandma's still life — this is our still life." Many of Arvid's paintings look down from above on their subjects. Explains Arvid, "That's the natural way we look at wine — it's down on the counter or the table. In the traditional style of painting wine, you would have to put your chin on the table to see it that way."

Finally, says Wolf, "He's one of those pure talents. I'll be outside the gallery, and I'll hear people say, 'Why do I want a photograph of a wine bottle? I'll take my own photograph.' No, those are paintings. When you look at the realistic effect he gets from afar and then go up close and see the full painterly effect of what he's doing... It makes other artists sick, because they'll train for years and they can't command a technique like this. For him to be self-taught and have this perspective — he is a pure, pure talent." ■

## RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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## NORTH COASTAL

**Bistro Soleil** 641 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-9549. The fare here is French but not too "Frenchy," in the sunny Provençal style that seems closer to Italy than Paris, with more olive oil than butter, more tomatoes than truffles. Owned by Claude Barrare, a surfing fanatic transplanted from the Atlantic beach town of Biarritz, the bistro recreates the laid-back atmosphere of its cousins overseas. Naturally, the Gallic comfort food here is more free-form and Californian than you'd find in southern France. Highlights of the seasonally changing menu include classic poached *foie gras*, an unconventional but tasty bouillabaisse, and, when available, a luscious mushroom cream soup. Save room for the ethereal fruit desserts. Dinner, Mondays through Saturdays; reserve on summer weekends. Upper moderate. — N.W. (8/03)

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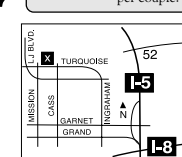
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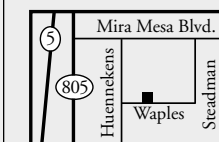
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and *pain perdu* (for us peasants that’s French toast) with fresh fruit and syrups. Some vegan items. After 11 a.m., try their Cajun chicken. Open daily, breakfast to dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Johnny Manana’s** 308 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, 760-721-9999. Local teachers hang out at this green-, white-, and red-tiled place because it’s such good value. Most dishes are either Mexican or Costa Rican. There’s a Caribbean chocolatey, black bean, paprika, curry-in-the-rice thing going on. Pescado Veracruz (fish marinated in lime juice and garlic with rice, beans, and green salad) is good. The roasted chicken is delicious. The Big Breakfast Burrito Special (eggs, onions, beans, cheese, and potatoes, wrapped in a large flour tortilla) is *muy popular*, but then so is J.M.’s Great All-American Cheeseburger. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

**Tomiko** 87 Encinitas Boulevard (at Best Western, just west of I-5), Encinitas, 760-633-3587. In a lovely setting overlooking Moonlight Bay you can enjoy Japanese and Pacific Rim fusion cooking and sushi in a serene but lively dining room. When the sushi bar is free from the weekend rush, the quality can be amazing: stunningly fresh *uni*, world-beating silky *toro*. The sushi-master also keeps an eye on the restaurant’s seafood purchases, so they meet exacting standards. Appetizers such as “salmon tower tartare” and “drunken black cod” are rewarding, as are the simple, excellent fusion-tinged seafood entrées. Reserve for weekends, especially for sushi bar. Lunch weekdays only, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (3/02)*

**Tuscan Sun Italian Deli** 1070 North El Camino Real, Encinitas,

760-633-4546. A town abounding in Italian restaurants ought to have a great Italian deli, and it does. You’ll find domestic and imported deli meats and cheeses, fresh-baked breads and focaccia, marinated veggies, and a wealth of gourmet products from Italy. The specialty is the “Caprese” (tomatoes-plus) sandwich on focaccia bread with a variety of fillings, best served grilled and dressed with pesto. For breakfast, they carry *sfogliatelle*, light, moist, faintly lemony multilayered breakfast pastries. The eat-in/take-out menu includes pizza, pasta, salads, and a host of sandwiches. Open daily. — *N.W. (8/03)*

NORTH INLAND

**Abbey’s Real Texas BBQ** 6904 Miramar Road (at Commerce Street, behind Denny’s), Miramar, 858-566-5235. Newer, smaller branch at 9353 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard (at Ruffin Road), Kearny Mesa, 858-279-7427. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, turkey, and links that are repeatedly mopped with a marinade and cooked in a big cast-iron smoker (rather than grilled over a fire). Here they use mesquite to barbecue the poultry quickly and the brisket *ve-r-ry* slowly. In addition to the usual BBQ sides (potato salad, coleslaw, beans, etc.), they offer a Caesar salad. At the Miramar branch the room is large and unadorned but very clean. Wheelchair accessible. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily; continuous service for lunch and early dinner weekdays; normal dinner hours weekends. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

**Ashoka The Great** 9474 Black Mountain Road (off Miramar Road),

Mira Mesa, 858-695-9749. Seek out this splendid Indian restaurant. The setting is lovely, the service excellent, and the food first-rate. Don’t overlook the tandoori dishes. Numerous selections are available for vegetarians. An all-you-can-eat lunch buffet is served daily. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

**Athens Market Cafe** 11640 Carmel Mountain Road (between Pacific Theatres and Sportmart in Carmel Mountain Plaza, close to Rancho Bernardo, off I-15), 858-675-2225. The same Greek recipes that you know and love at Athens Market downtown are even more carefully prepared here. All entrées with soup or salad. Excellent moussaka, baked chicken, lamb kebabs. Excellent value for tasty product. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

**La Tapatia** 340 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-747-8282. Take a walk on the mild side at this family-owned favorite, in business since the 1930s. You’ll find standard Mexican fare in a comfortable dining room or, in good weather, a lovely, arbor-like stone-walled patio. The most celebrated dish is the “cheese crisp,” a large tostada covered one-third in ground beef, one-third in beef chunks, and one-third in beans, with cheese, avocado puree, and sour cream over all. Many preparations (grilled seafoods, etc.) are healthy, and veggies taste fresh. Seasonings are rather detuned, but there’s a saltshaker and a lively salsa on the table. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

**Mariscos El Titanic** 503 West Grand Avenue, Escondido, 760-735-5819. The ship hit an iceberg, but here a bracing chilled ceviche can lift all boats on a steamy afternoon. The menu offers both hot and cold seafood, including almost a page full of chilled

arrays. Among them, a unique group of “Culiacan-style” cocktails are served in young hollowed-out coconuts, the soft meat spooned out along with the briny shellfish. (Fresh coconut water, *agua de coco*, is available as a drink.) The range of dishes is relatively ambitious with plenty of authentic entrée choices (not just stuffed tortillas), and the seafood is sweet and fresh from Baja waters. Best of all, the tall straw *palapas* shading the outdoor tables create their own mini climate, as breezy as some faraway beach. Tacos and burritos are bargain-priced, seafood cocktails and entrées are moderate. — *N.W. (12/69)*

**The Wayside Cafe** 507 South Main Avenue, Fallbrook, 760-723-9633. Locals love meeting and eating in this long low-porched building — partly because it all just feels small-town America. The place used to be Mahrs’ Service Station. You can even sit in the old Lube Bay to eat. Count on generous servings, especially the mountain-piles of red-skinned home-fries as a side at breakfast. Open for breakfast and lunch six days a week; closed Mondays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

GOLD COAST

**Arterra** Marriott Del Mar Hotel, 11966 El Camino Real (off Carmel Mountain Road), Torrey Pines/Del Mar, 858-369-6032 or 858-523-1700. Bradley Ogden and his minions — including Arterra’s Carl Shroeder — do the perfect cuisine for executive-oriented hotels like this Marriott, which is situated in an inhumanly corporate neighborhood. The fare is fine, classy, but not excessively demanding of at-

tention. Ingredients are seasonal and top-quality, creations are pleasing but not radical. It’s a great place to take your boss to dinner. Breakfasts, though, are spectacular, e.g., the airy, bitter-sweet tangerine soufflé pancakes may just be the ideal way to jump-start the morning. Open daily, three meals. Expensive. — *N.W. (4/02)*

**Barone’s Trattoria Del Mare** 2334 Carmel Valley Road, Del Mar, 858-259-9063. Nino Barone, owner and chef, has got the Italian restaurant business finessed to near perfection. The taste of his gnocchi or his *tortellini al gorgonzola* is worth ditching your diet for. Outdoor dining offers daytime ocean viewing, while indoor guests enjoy soft-hued decor with linens and fresh flowers. The welcoming staff allow the customer space and linger-time while remaining available. Nino prepares everything in-house: the crusty Italian bread, the pastas and their companion sauces, the veal, seafood, and chicken dishes, and the irresistible cannoli. The wine list is generous yet modestly priced and, surprise, it’s purely Italian. This off-the-beaten-track Italian restaurant may be one of the most delectable secrets in North County and it won’t put a crunch on your entertainment budget. Lunch is a real deal, with soup or salad and dessert included in the price. Open nightly for dinner; call for lunch schedule. Moderate. — *S.M. (4/04)*

**Besta Wan Pizza House** 148 Ab-erdeen Drive (off the 101), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill

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# Calendar

## RESTAURANTS

up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/01)*

**Red Tracton's** 550 Via de la Valle, Del Mar, 858-755-6600. Even though you know you're a half mile from the Pacific Ocean and across the street from the Del Mar Racetrack, one step inside Red Tracton's dining room sends you reeling back in time to an upscale, dimly lit, maroon-and-gilt restaurant of 1960s Chicago. The only thing missing is the scent of cigars. Food portions are enormous: The lobster sandwich (a touch heavy on the mayo) easily packs a half pound of lobster. The selection is generous: steaks, prime rib, seafood, chicken, and pork — all expertly prepared and served in record time. On days when you don't give a rip about the Surgeon General's latest warnings, run to Red Tracton's and indulge your All-American appetite. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly; 11 p.m. closing Friday and Saturday. Expensive. — *S.M. (3/04)*

**Spices Thai Cafe** 3810 Valley Centre Drive, Piazza Carmel Shopping Center, Del Mar (east of Carmel Valley turn-off), 858-259-0889. Superb Thai restaurant that's not only elegant but whose food contains no MSG and very little fat. The seafood dishes rate highly. Among other delicacies are duck and frog legs. Put Spices Thai Café at the top of your list. Also in La Jolla. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

## LA JOLLA

**Barbarella** 2171 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, 858-454-7373. This popular restaurant sits nestled in an English garden just blocks from the beach. You can dine amidst the flora at

street-side tables, in the enclosed patio, or in the small dining room. Once you're seated, the friendly staff provides fresh-out-of-the-oven sourdough wheat bread to nibble on. The menu changes daily, offering fresh fish, steak, chicken, pastas, soups, and pizzas, all cooked with a twist of imagination that delivers on the flavor. For instance: pizza topped with smoked salmon, crème friche, chives, and fried capers. Or delicate Alaskan halibut served over creamed spring onions with a watercress salad. If a fresh fruit crêpe happens to be on the dessert menu, leap on it! Open for lunch and dinner daily. — *S.M. (4/04)*

**Beach House Brewery** 7536 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-6279. Don't expect to see the beach. Do expect to taste some good beers made right here and good solid food, such as the prime rib sandwich (which goes great with their Irish Stout) or the roasted potato and Gorgonzola pizza with bacon. (Potato with pizza? It works.) Or maybe best of all, the buffalo burger — big, hefty, and low on cholesterol. You'd call this a family, multi-generational sports bar eatery. Nice mix. It's La Jolla, so it's not dirt cheap, but the guys here seem really interested in making interesting brews and good food to accompany them. Open for dinner seven days; lunch and dinner Saturday, three meals Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/04)*

**Cafe Japengo** 8960 University Center Lane, Aventine complex, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. This hopping "meet market" literally overflows with the area's beautiful go-getters on Thursday and Friday nights, and is almost as busy the rest of the week, too. What draws the crowd, besides the crowd itself, is the smashing decor, breezy patio, and beautiful-looking plates of Pacific Rim food — with influences from Japan, China, Hawaii, Thailand, and California. Outstanding appetizers. For entrées, try roasted duck with crispy vegetables or shrimp and scallops with spicy peanut sauce. The sushi bar is one of the city's best (if you can get to it through the mob). Keep an eye on the prices — if you get carried away you

may be in for a large bill. Valet parking (or free validated parking in lower-level garage). Open daily. Expensive. — *E.W.*

**La Jolla Cantina** 2161 Avenida de la Playa (at La Jolla Shores Drive), La Jolla, 858-459-5282. The surprise here is that this is one of those casual coast cantinas where you can relax, get a good meal, and not get gouged with La Jolla prices. *Huevos rancheros* (three eggs, corn tortillas, beans and rice) and *machaca* (*carne asada*, eggs, bell peppers, onions, rice, beans, tortillas) are great, but you can't beat their eggs Benedict (Black Forest ham and two poached eggs smothered in hollandaise sauce). The short-stack pancakes or French toast (made with egg bread, dipped in cinnamon-vanilla batter and dusted with powdered sugar) should give you your sugar fix too. Lunch is great out on the sidewalk (carnitas lunch torta, seared ahi with greens, or lamb in chili sauce are good bets), but the really cool time to come is early evening, when all La Jolla Shores is out on the prowl. Breakfast through dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**The Marine Room** 2000 Spindrift Drive (off Torrey Pines Road), La Jolla, 858-459-7222. High cuisine, high adventure, high seas — at only moderately high prices. With chef Bernard Guillas as top toque, the Marine Room has become the quintessential great San Diego restaurant. The exhilarating coastal view meets Cal-French-Pacific Rim cuisine that's as exuberantly out-front as the waves whacking the windows. Guillas's oceanic culinary inventiveness with ultra-fresh, exotic ingredients makes every visit a voyage of discovery, and preparations are so elaborate that each listing on his precise menu reads like a whole tasting dinner. And the tasting dinners themselves (Monday through Wednesday evenings) are something of a bargain — a royal feast for the price of, say, a fill-up for your SUV. Reservations required; slightly dressy but not stuffy. Easiest route: Make a right from westbound Torrey Pines onto Roseland or Viking and go left on St. Louis, which runs into Spindrift. Wheelchair

ramp to the left of front door. Noisy when crowded. Lunch Tuesday through Saturday, Sunday brunch, dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/02)*

**P.F. Chang's China Bistro** 4540 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla, 858-458-9007. The decor and ambience carry the weight here. Chinese food is only average. This is a place to see and be seen. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Dinner menu available from opening to closing. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

**Sky Room** Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — *E.W. (10/99)*

**Sushi On The Rock** 7734 Girard Avenue, La Jolla, 858-456-1138. This noisy, high-energy spot — a boxy, saloon-like space with a sushi bar in back — draws a lively twenty-something crowd (although older folks will have plenty of company, too). Unlike more traditional sushi bars, there's a vast selection of "rock and rolls" — huge, creative *futo-maki* party sushi. And they're fabulous, with sparkling fresh seafood and immensely clever combinations. Try, for instance, the shrimp tempura roll, which wraps fried shrimp, crab shreds, *daikon* sprouts and Japanese mayo in deep-fried salmon skin — the combo would be just as impressive as an appetizer at a top Cal-French restaurant. The Orange Crush is another sublime invention, fresh and crunchy with veggies and *to-biko* wrapped in suave salmon. Even simple rolls are so well conceived, and the rice so nicely seasoned, you won't need soy-wasabi dip. No reservations, long waits (in cramped entryway) on weekends. Full bar, good sake list. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly, with deep discounts for happy hour specials. Moderate. Second (quieter) location at

1923 Calle Barcelona, Carlsbad, 858-456-1138. — *N.W. (11/04)*

## MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

**King's Fish House** 825 Camino de la Reina (west of Mission Center Drive), Mission Valley, 619-574-1230. To find King's in the megamall, go slightly west of Koo Koo Roo and follow the line of cars to the free valet parking. It's a chain, but it's a classy chain, offering fish and seafoods of a quality that's well above average, including crustaceans from a live-tank and a half-dozen varieties of pristine oysters. Generously-sized entrées come with soup or salad (including a Caesar that's above suspicion) and two hefty side dishes. The vast menu of American-style preparations changes daily to reflect the fresh catch, and includes some rotating regional specialties (e.g., New Orleans, Hawaii, New England). Don't miss the prawn potsticker appetizer, if available, and for dessert, the miraculously light bread pudding. The atmosphere is good-timey (with two patios and a barroom as well as a dining room), the service is enthusiastic, and the management will accommodate special requests if you call ahead. Kiddie menu available. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/02)*

**Korea House** 4620 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-0080. Korea House offers floor seating or a table if you want to barbecue your own food. The menu offers fine "down-home" Korean food, such as traditional *mandoo* (beef) dumplings, *gaejang backban*, or raw crab, and *yookhwe*, a steak tartare worth risking. Make a meal from enormous appetizers like *gul bosam* (raw oysters, pork, and cabbage leaves). Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N. (9/98)*

**Nijiya Market** 3860 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you're not willing to sacrifice quality for convenience when eating fast food, try this

Japanese market in Kearny Mesa. Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or *bento*, that are pretty to look at, appetizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, passing by Nijiya's steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you'll find delicious chicken cutlets, fresh sushi, and chilled noodles, as well as dessert delicacies like sweet bread roll filled with sweet bean paste. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (8/99)*

**Pampas Argentine Grill** 8690 Aero Drive (at Montgomery Field), Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. The Argentine specialties feature grilled grass-fed beef, including a somewhat Americanized version of the *gauchos'* great *parillada mixta* (mixed grill), with a great chorizo but minus any exotic organs. The naturally raised meats are lower fat and lower cholesterol than feed-lot beef but are salted heavily in the kitchen unless you request otherwise. Specify rare or medium-rare, unless you really like brown cardboard. Lighter fare includes free-range chicken and fresh, well-treated seafood. Beef empanadas are a tasty, authentic starter. Potatoes (fries and mashed) are splendid, salads are exuberant. The full bar features Chilean and Argentine beverages with many affordable South American wines by the glass. Park in lot at restaurant's front door, not the back-door lot. Lunch (mainly sandwiches) on weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/02)*

**Pho Tau Bay Restaurant** 7604 Linda Vista Road (near Mesa College), Linda Vista, 858-268-3161. Full name: La Cai Mi Gia, va Pho Tau Bay. The building looks like a converted McDonald's, but the interior is oriental and swanky with large fish tanks, blue carpet, gold metallic wainscoting, silk roses, a golden three-foot-tall laughing Buddha, and a red altar with three black-bearded gods. For lunch and dinner you can choose such exotics as quail, boar, alligator, and "Spicy Chop Frog in Coconut Milk and Curry." Breakfast is cheap, filling, and very Vietnamese. Try *mi ga*, a gentle rice noodle soup with shredded chicken, or order *banh mi thit*, eight inches of French bread with traditional South

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**Prego** Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall, a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters include the antipasto platter, sparkling salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust). Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are nearly perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or rotisserie meats and fish. Service is warm and well informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

**San Tong Palace** 4690 Convoy Street (between Engineer and Balboa), Kearny Mesa, 858-571-6837. This unassuming, strip-mall restaurant is easy to overlook, but once found, impossible to resist. San Tong's hybrid Korean-Chinese menu draws from these regions' tastiest styles. The Rainbow Salad demonstrates this combination deliciously, and San Tong's dumplings are outstanding. The seafood dumplings are especially remarkable. For the adventurous, I recommend the jellyfish salad, a novel treat for westerners. At San Tong Palace, curious appetites are rewarded well. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (4/99)*

**Seau's** Mission Valley Center mall, 1640 Camino del Rio North (next to Robinsons-May), Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Footballer Junior Seau contributes more to San Diego than just sacks. His extravagant multiveneue sports pub is major league fun — a real-life reincarnation of some 1960s McLuhanite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-normal to giant HDTV) running sportscasts and a professional DJ on high, periodically spinning cool sounds over muted talking heads. The menu offers mainstream "something for everyone" choices, including pizza, hefty but so-so burgers, some elemen-

tary sushi, all-American entrées, and Seau's family recipe of Samoan teriyaki "plate lunch." Above all, there's pub grub. The chicken wings are pretty good, and you can get all three sauces (Buffalo, BBQ, and Asian) on one order. Perfect hangout for mismatched couples with one sports fan and one fashionista (the latter can head for Nordstrom and Saks discount outlets nearby). On game days, patrons are allowed just one game in the dining room (\$15 minimum), but you can linger from wake-up to closing on the patio or in the bar. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (1/03)*

**Sheila's Cafe & Bakery** 4577 Clairemont Drive (Wilson Plaza), Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A "Glatt Kosher," a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant and bakery with a mission. Sheila was determined to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying — from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that everybody else wouldn't know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don't need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here, but it's comforting to know everything down to the least lettuce leaf has received extra-careful preparation. You'll find Sheila's breads and pastries at supermarkets all around town. Lunch and dinner Monday through Thursday, lunch Friday, dinner Sunday (closed Saturday, of course). Moderate to slightly expensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

**Today** 2828 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-299-8996. You'll find no dish "to die" for at this So-Cal-based chain restaurant. It calls itself "The Mother of All Seafood Buffets" and has spawned branches in suburban malls all over the country. Our branch looks like a seafood Disneyland — multicolor floors and pastel neon lights in fanciful shapes (moon, stars, fish) adorn three separate buffets. There's a huge array of seafood, sushi, *teppanyaki*, and assorted Asian nibbles — some pretty good, some pretty awful (e.g., "Dungeon" crab cooked to

mush). They do rotate the dishes regularly until a half hour before closing, keeping most items reasonably fresh. Two vast, drab dining rooms (seating 500) feature strong, dingy lighting and utilitarian tables and chairs closely spaced to seat the crowded masses. Japanese beers, California jug wines, generic hot and cold sake available. Reservations for large groups only. Family atmosphere, very noisy. Arrive early to cover the territory. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate, with kiddie and senior discounts. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Tofu House** 4646 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-576-6433. This stylish little eatery is proof positive that our city has matured for its specialty ethnic foods. Tofu House is a Korean restaurant serving up specialty tofu dishes. Flavorful, healthy foods. I highly recommend the *soontofu* soups (beef, pork, seafood, or mushroom) with raw egg drop you drop yourself and a side of tasty fresh kimchee. Deliver yourself from sorrowfully generic foreign food — Tofu House serves vivid ethnic

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**Go Greek Cafe and Grill** 4501 Mission Bay Drive (mall with 7-Eleven and Sushi Ota), Pacific Beach, 858-270-4487. Located in the same easy-to-miss mini-mall as Sushi Ota, across the street from Rubio’s (look for the 7-Eleven sign), this informal Greek café is better than it looks. The *taramasalata* (codfish roe salad) may not be house-made, but the delicious spread is straight from Greece. Excellent house salad, stuffed grape leaves, lentil soup, *saganaki* for additional starters; fine homey moussaka and grilled fish are among the entrées (but gyros are ordinary), and the exotic rice pudding makes a light dessert. Vegetarian-friendly menu. Belly dancing Friday nights. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch and dinner; sporadically on Sunday. Low moderate. — *N.W. (3/02)*

**Kabuki Sushi Restaurant** 4475 Mission Boulevard (entrance on Garnet), Pacific Beach, 858-270-1986. This place has a unique system of delivering tempting dishes to you via boats floating along a mini-canal that surrounds the sushi bar. You take food off and pay according to the plate size. The sushi chefs — they can be a show in themselves — have the usual panoply of sushi, sashimi, nigiri. The dragon rolls (crab, shrimp tempura, eel, avocado) and spider roll (soft-shelled crab) are tasty too. It’s young and crowded here — is that because you don’t have to sweat the menu, just grab what you like off the boat and chew? Open for lunch and dinner Tuesday to Saturday; dinner only Sunday; closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/04)*

**Kaiserhof** 2253 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-0606. Even on weeknights, crowds fill this restaurant and *biergarten*, chowing down on hefty, hearty German cooking in a festive atmosphere. Flavors are authentic, but can be monotonous due to kitchen’s reliance on commercial products (especially a heavy-flavored beef base that makes all the sauces taste alike). Good schnitzels, potato pancakes. The excellent apple strudel is the only dessert made in-house. Reservations advised, especially for patio seating. Full bar. Lunch Friday through Sunday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/02)*

**Thee Bungalow** 4996 West Point Loma Boulevard, Ocean Beach, 619-224-2884. The very soul of Ocean Beach resides in Ed Moore’s charming, comfortable historic “cottage,” where the menu covers classic French bistro fare from pâté to soufflé, including comfort-food entrées like *grandmaman* used to make. And like *mamhré*’s, the

cooking is a little inconsistent. Skip the over-rated duck and head for the seasonal specials, the rich stews, and — of course — the pâtés and soufflés. When the peppery corn soup is on the menu, leap for it. A huge wine list at very low markups is a special blessing. Slightly dressy; reservations strongly advised. Expensive, but with affordable early-bird weeknight dinners. — *N.W. (11/00)*

## CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

**El Morelense** 317 Dewey Street, Logan Heights, 619-234-2750. Morelos-style cooking: more pungent than Cal-Mex or Tex-Mex. The Cecina (a kind of *carne asada*), served with rice, beans, and tortillas, is richly marinated and filling, as is the *carne de adobada* (pork dish), *caldo de res* (beef soup), *huevos rancheros*, and *menudo* or *pozole* soup (weekends only) are worth trying. Owner Santos, a true Morelense, makes all dishes from scratch, including salsas and tortillas. This used to be a tough area, but the new central police station next door has helped change all that. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

**Island Spice** 2820 Market Street (at 28th Street), Grant Hill, 619-702-9309. Interesting Jamaican specialties are served indoors or on a sunny patio. Breakfast can include *run dung* (sautéed salt mackerel) and ackee with salt cod. At lunch and dinner there’s fine jerk chicken (ask for dark meat, it’s moister), but don’t overlook lesser-known delicacies such as savory oxtail stew, *escovitch* (pickled) fish, curry goat,

and fish or chicken in a tangy brown stew. Dinner hours and offerings vary, and many patrons get takeout. Call just before you go to learn what’s available and place your order. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/01)*

**Mailo’s Cafe** 4095 30th Street, North Park, 619-528-1602. OK, so Mailo’s is a Greek café and Mailo and Blanca aren’t Greek, they’re Mexican-American. On the other hand, Mailo cooked in an OB Greek restaurant for 14 years before he opened here. Plus, the two have made Greek extremely affordable. Prices are definitely down there for their breakfast gyros, with eggs, lamb, tomatoes, and onion wrapped in a hot pita. And they have this great street-corner outside deck to eat on. There’s also plenty of American standard fare. Mailo’s cheeseburger, with avocado and bacon, is the most popular, with the half-pound steak burger close behind. American breakfasts are the old fashioned kind with three eggs any style, hash browns, and toast, plus ham or bacon or sausage or even chicken fried steak, at bargain prices. Same for their roast beef dinner, or the quarter chicken, Greek style, served with rice, salad, and pita bread. Open Tuesday through Saturday breakfast through dinner, Sunday and Monday till 4 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Phuong Trang Vietnamese Seafood Restaurant** 5296 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-582-0603. Original branch at 4170 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6750. Tired of putting up with the crowds at the popular Convoy Street restaurant? Go east, where you’ll find the same menu without the hassles. The fare centers on Vietnamese “people’s food” emphasizing numerous genres of noodle soups, but there

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**Sister Pee Wee’s Soul Food** 2971-1/2 Imperial Avenue, Grant Hill, 619-236-0470. One of the oldest, best soul food cafés in the county, but get there early (it closes at 8 p.m.). Sister Pee Wee says her daily lunch and dinner menu depends on what she feels like cooking that day — you might find big pork ribs with mashed red-skin potatoes, black-eyed peas, collard greens and two-inch-thick corn bread, or Southern-fried chicken, or seafood gumbo, or catfish fillet with all the trimmings. Sister’s special is chitlins and catfish. Breakfast includes eggs, bacon, ham, sausages, and hominy grits. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

**South Park Bar and Grill** 1946 Fern Street, South Park/Golden Hill, 619-696-0096. A genuine American bistro. This loud, lively, very local watering hole started out serving savory comfort-food to an appreciative neighborhood patronage; now the whole city’s flocking in. Chef Eric Wilburn learned his chops at Bradley Ogden’s Lark Creek Inn; if he cooks “mom food,” it’s more than a cut above mom’s. Appetizer/bar menu runs to ordinary pub-grub (but crab cakes or red pepper hummus stand out); en-

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**Mario's De La Mesa** 8425 La Mesa Boulevard (at Grant), La Mesa, 619-461-9390. The man on the burrito (seen on the restaurant's sign and menu) holds two flags, those of Mexico and the U.S.A. — very appropriate. Few dishes (except maybe the *menudo*) will push the paler palate too far in any direction, but gosh-all, everything is so darn tasty. Tamales are a house special: rich, pillowy clouds of cornmeal surrounding richer shredded pork scattered with raisins for a smidgeon of sweetness. Pork also gets loving treatment in the *carnitas rojas*, big chunks browned to the barest crisp, which falls away to melting tenderness. Great marinade (cumin?) on the *carne asada*; intense flavor and buttery richness on the "machaca sonora style" (dry-roasted shredded beef). Beans are so light as to seem whipped; rice is studded with peas and spicy carrots. Service is fast and friendly. Breakfast and lunch Sundays and Mondays; three meals Tuesday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — A.M. (7/01)

**Orchid Thai and Vegetarian Cuisine** 762 North Johnson Avenue #106, El Cajon, 619-447-2819. There's nothing fancy or pretentious about this Thai restaurant, but their food is really, really good. Menu is a mixture of Thai, Lao, and Chinese. Best deal: the fifteen permanent lunch specials, from pepper steak (given a Thai twist) to chicken yellow curry to Orchid Noodle ("Thai egg noodle, chicken, broccoli celery, carrot, egg and scallions"). *Larb*, the Laotian ground chicken salad, is delicious and filling, as is the *masaman*, curry with potatoes, onion, carrots, and roasted peanuts mixed in sweet coconut milk. Other tasty dishes include *prik pow* beef, *som tum* (papaya salad), *panang* curry, and *mee ped* (roast duck) noodle soup. Because he replaced a Chinese eatery, the owner, Montry Sengsouriya, keeps dishes like chicken chow mein and a Japanese-style beef teriyaki bowl on the menu. Finish up with a tiny bottle of *Kratin Daeng*, Red Bull. It's a vitamin elixir the Thais and Lao love to plug for energy. Open for lunch and dinner; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (6/02)

**Sala Thai** 6161 El Cajon Boulevard (College Plaza), College Area, 619-229-9050. With purple cloth napkins, white tablecloths, green banquettes, butter-colored walls, and a portrait of King Chulalongkorn, Sala Thai has all the trappings of a class joint — except you're only paying six or eight bucks for main dishes. The food? A bit gentle on the spice front. *Tom yum kung*, the famous shrimp soup, should make your neck hairs stick straight out, but if that's what you want you'll have to ask the cooks to make it spicier. Chicken *mussaman*, labeled "medium spicy," is pretty tame but still delicious with its authentic taste-boosters like kaffir lime leaves. Hottest curry: "chicken green." Health treat: *Som tum*, the famous papaya salad. Lunch, dinner daily; dinner only on Sundays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (4/04)

**Shmoozers Kosher Dairy Restaurant** 6366 El Cajon Boulevard (at 63rd Street), College Area, 619-583-1636. Great for vegans! This Kosher eatery promises "all-rennetless cheese, vegetarian food, no meat, no animal fat, certified Kosher, 100% fresh ingredients." Everything is prepared under the supervision of the "Va'ad Harabbonim of San Diego" — meaning, the restaurant is inspected every few days by an Orthodox rabbi to make sure the food is prepared properly. The milk is also checked — Chalav Yisroel — from milking to bottling. Good eats include "Fefafel, California Style," balls of seasoned ground chickpeas, tahini (sesame paste), and salad rolled in a flour tortilla; the 16-inch vegan

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**Woodstock's Pizza** 6548 El Cajon Boulevard (at Rolando), College Area, 619-265-0999. It's a college pizza joint, but the fare rates well above standard beer ballast. (For that matter, the beers — local Stone Pale Ale, Karl Strauss, Arrogant Bastard Ale, and Wyder's Pear Cider, along with the usual Coors Light and Bud — aren't exactly chug-suds.) Crusts — white or sweetly robust whole wheat — are pressed, tossed, and then folded over at the edge, producing a spongy, crunch-crusted rim. The mozzarella is rich, gooey whole-milk; the marinara sauce is dark and spicy; and the toppings are fresh, hearty standouts. Watching your weight? Two low-fat combos (half the cheese) are available. Happy hour with

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FAR EAST

**The Hideout Steakhouse and Saloon** 27413 Highway 76, Santa Ysabel, 760-782-3656. If you're a Harley-Davidson weekend warrior, this is for you: an old dark timbered roadhouse peeking out of the trees, with its own spring-fed water wheel, 3000 feet up the mountains. Back in the thirties, Hollywood celebs (Roy Rogers, Alfalfa, et al.) used to hang out here on huntin' and fishin' trips. Now, bike enthusiasts make it their weekend day-trip destination. It still has a 1920s fireplace roaring at one end, a big pot-belly stove at the other, a honky-tonk upright piano, and a forty-foot-long oakwood bar. Prime rib dinners are the default dish, smoked in hickory and oak, and served with a "Texas-sized baked potato," vegetables, salad, and squaw bread. Other great eats include a delicious prime rib chili (chunks of smoked prime rib, red beans, cheese, onions) and a half-pound "Posse Burger" (with baked beans). Open Saturday and Sunday only. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/02)

**The Mount Signal Cafe** 1201 West Highway 98, Calexico, 760-357-1379. Out in Yuha desert, west of Calexico, this 40-year-old restaurant remains in

the era when Mexicali and Tijuana were rivals for the best bullfighters and bulls north of Mexico City. The owner's mom, Maria de Jesus, was a *banderillera*, known to fans as "Manolita," a member of perhaps the only female bullfighting team ever. Surrounded by hundreds of bullfighting photos, you'll find traditional *casera* (homestyle) Mexican dishes. Keep an eye out for old matadors as you dig in. Open Wednesday through Sunday, lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

**Owl Cafe** 674 Main Street (between 6th and 7th), El Centro, 760-336-0298. This classic American cafe is over 50 years old and still serves good rib-sticking food morning, noon, or night. Try breakfast special #1: pancakes, two eggs, and two bacon strips. For lunch, the French dip sandwich. Full-plate diners — and they are full — include roast beef, liver and onions, and chicken-fried steak. Open 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday (bar open until 2 a.m.), 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sundays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/01)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

**The Abbey Cafe** 127 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-692-0311. Based on the chi-chi West Hollywood original. Look for the wooden cross tied to the giant cactus. By all means go during the day and sit out on the patio. But the must-visit time is after sunset, when they light the patio wall with thousands of candles (okay, 250 of them). Inside the 1910 house you eat in dark-wood rooms with (working) fireplace, church

pews, metal chalices, black iron sconces, and stone cherubim. Pick from the all-day breakfasts (try the chicken breast, eggs, and fruit dish) or sandwiches if you're feeling cheap — or the Ahi Tuna (half a pound of fish) if you're more loaded. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (12/01)

**Alex's Brown Bag** 2550 Fifth Avenue (at Laurel), Suite 171, uptown, 619-231-2912. The reborn Alex's (now in the Mr. A's building) is rightly famous for its "Original Philadelphia cheese steak sandwich" (with fried bell peppers, onions, mushrooms, and mozzarella). Benito Guidagni says what makes his sandwiches so special is that he has the meat trucked in from cheese steak central, South Philly itself. Other Italian-American goodies include the Italian Stallion (Genoa salami, capocollo prosciutto, and mortadella sausage meat), egg plant parmigiana with hot garlic bread, grilled pastrami, and cheese on rye. Partly, of course, you come to see Benny and his family at work. It's, well, very Italian. Open for breakfast, lunch, and just-after-work dinner weekdays; closes 4 p.m. on Saturday. — E.B. (9/01)

**Busalacchi's Ristorante** 3683 Fifth Avenue (at Pennsylvania), 619-298-0119. Remember Olympia Dukakis in *Moonstruck* retreating for comfort to her local trattoria? Busalacchi's has that settled, warm feel, but it's more interesting. Multi-levels create nooks and crannies for *liaisons dangereuses*, or there's the streetside casual level. Niche fountains and faux marble columns make it feel old-fashioned. Being Sicilian, they have plenty of the tomato-sauce-dominated dishes (like *torta di melanzana*, eggplant layered with mozzarella). But also try the excellent calamari piccata, a calamari

"steak" bathed in butter, mushrooms, lemon, capers, and white wine. Simple but delish. Or salads like *insalata di fileto* with filet mignon, goat cheese, walnuts, eggs, and arugula. And hey, if you want to keep the budget intact, nothing wrong with *spaghetti della casa*. Lunches Tuesday through Friday; diners nightly. Moderate to expensive. — E.B. (2/04)

**Harney Sushi** 3964 Harney Street (off Congress), Old Town, 619-295-3272. This friendly little spot on a side street serves as a secret haven of pretty-good sushi just a few steps from Old Town's nonstop tacos and margaritas. You can also get sashimi, Japanese appetizers, and a few mixed-ethnicity entrées (noodles, pasta, teriyaki, tempura) made with seafood or chicken breast. No red meat is served, and numerous dishes are vegetarian. Good sake list. Sound system runs loud inside; patio dining available in warm weather. Reservations for sushi bar accepted but not necessarily honored. Open weekdays for lunch, dinner nightly until midnight, with a DJ on Friday and Saturday. Sushi prices lower than most, entrées inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (4/03)

**Jimmy Carter's Cafe** 3172 Fifth Avenue (at Spruce Street), Hillcrest, 619-295-2070. This comfy, middle-class eatery has a surprise — great Indian breakfasts (until 11:30 a.m. weekdays, 3 p.m. weekends). Try their chicken curry or *pessaratu* (mung bean crêpe with onions, peppers, ginger, *dhal*, and chutneys). Or vegetarian *vindaloo*. Jimmy (no, not the ex-pres) does Chinese too — like the Mongolian beef (Chinese vegetables and beef in a hot chili sauce over rice or noodles), or good Mexican dishes such as chili verde (pork or chicken simmered in spicy

tomatillo sauce). But center-stage is his all-American Jimmy Burger (1/3-pound patty with potato or carrot salad). One bonus: a fine tangential view of Balboa Park's lawns and trees. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

**Prado** House of Hospitality, Balboa Park, 619-557-9441. In a magical space at the heart of Balboa Park, Prado features cute neo-Nouveau decor and a something-for-everyone menu of American-Mexican-Italian-with-Asian-touches cuisine. The food brings few surprises, but is flavorful and served in huge portions. Top choices include meaty crab cakes, a refreshing eggplant "napoleon," and an astonishingly tender, slow-roasted pork loin. A meringue-based banana *tres leches* cake is everyone's favorite dessert. The bar makes a nice stop during a museum-crawl and offers ethereal fried oysters and a range of gussied-up margaritas. Keep an eye out for special prix fixe dinners that include tickets to museum exhibitions. Dinner reservations vital. Vast interior can be noisy, but heated, umbrella-topped terrace tables are quiet and scenic. Moderate to a little expensive, with reasonable wine list. — N.W. (12/00)

**Saffron Noodles And Sate** 3737 India Street, South Mission Hills, 619-574-7737. It's the smell of the spicy chicken grilling that will get you every time. Whatever the recipe is — and Su-Mei Yu, the owner and celebrated cookbook author, says it's from the Isaan, Thailand's ethnic Lao Northeast — it catches your nose. We're talking "boxing arena grilled chicken," after the place where she smelled its spicy cooking aromas while growing up in Bangkok. You have a choice of five sauces to go with the chicken, from

peanut to sweet pepper. Also try the noodle soups, like Tomm Yam with shrimp: sinus-clearing, delicious, and surprisingly filling. The food here is real, fresh, genuine Thai cuisine with Chinese echoes — like Su-Mei Yu herself. Middle-class San Diego seems to have adopted her eatery, despite the fact you're in a pretty stark gray-and-white room with views of I-5. Open for lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

**Taste Of Szechuan** 670 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1668. The Mandarin Szechuan menu offers standards with few surprises. But the three best features are the lovely room, the astonishing friendliness of the management, and the late hours. The Peking duck is excellent and so is the chopped chicken in lettuce cups. If you have favorite dishes, they will be prepared upon request in advance. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

**Zocalo Grill** 2444 San Diego Avenue (a block north of Old Town Cemetery), Old Town. 619-298-9840. This casual, festive spinoff of the Brigantine chain features "Pacific coastal cuisine," an eclectic international hodgepodge with a faint Mexican accent and "something for everyone." And some of those somethings are delicious — a stacked salad of shrimp and avocados, or coconut-shrimp kebabs emerging from a pineapple, or a huge, beautifully grilled spiny lobster with avocado salsa. Appetizers are half price at happy hour, and you can make a whole dinner out of substantial "tapas" sized for sharing. The heated, semi-roofed outdoor terrace encourages al fresco dining year-round. Full bar with creative margaritas, eight draft beers, and California wines including Brigantine's own custom blends at good prices. Wheelchair

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nightly, until midnight on weekends. Upper moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (3/04)*

**Old World Restaurant** 452 Eighth Avenue (at J Street), downtown, 619-238-0568. This is a delight for anyone who loves Northern European food. Their "Great Grilled Gruben" — homemade corned beef on rye with Swiss cheese, sauerkraut, Thousand Island dressing, and mustard is, as they say, "gemütlich." Also, try the sausage platter: grilled bratwurst, kielbasa, sauerkraut, potato salad, spicy mustard, and rye bread. Open for breakfast and lunch weekdays, brunch and lunch on Saturdays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/01)*

**Osetra** 409 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), downtown, 619-239-1800. This new, already-jumping fish house features glam lucite-and-chrome decor and thumping percussive music. There's food, too. Along with Caspian caviars you'll find fusiony seafood dishes plus a handful of land creatures. Soups and appetizers offer bold-flavored, edgy fun. Entrées are bold, too, but also a bit savage, with exciting ideas frequently flawed in concept or execution (e.g., venous foie gras garnishes sliced too thin and overcooked to chopped liver). Service is seriously discombobulated when busy, e.g., most evenings. Main dining room reached by long, steep stairway; disabled access to ground-floor bar area tables. Full bar, awesome and pricey wine list, bottles retrieved by bungee-jumping "Wine

Angels." Valet parking at Dakota across the street. Reservations strongly advised. Dinner nightly, to 11 p.m. weeknights, midnight weekends. Very expensive. — *N.W. (7/04)*

**Ruth's Chris Steak House** 1355 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-233-1422. Six cuts of steak are available, all cooked in a special broiler at 1800 degrees. The U.S. prime steaks are aged and hand cut daily. They're fabulous, but nothing is on the plate except the piece of meat. Vegetables and eight styles of potatoes are à la carte. Lobster tail, fresh fish, chicken, and chops also available. Gorgeous view and service. Open nightly for dinner. Reservations recommended three to five days in advance on weekdays. Call a week in advance for weekends. Expensive. — *E.W.*

**Shortstop's Grille at Tivoli Bar** 505 Sixth Avenue (at Island), Gaslamp, 619-232-6754. Ever heard of the Stinger, downtown's old red light district? The 1885 Tivoli is one of its last survivors, the oldest bar in the Gaslamp, and Wyatt Earp was its most famous customer. The only thing new is Shortstop's Grille, but "Shortstop" Paulie is an old hand at feeding roaring appetites. He's an ex-Alaska fishing boat cook. Best deal: the Tivoli Special, a 1/3-pound burger with a domestic beer included. Other good fillers: the "Shortstop" sandwich (bacon, egg, tomato, cheese, on grilled sourdough), the tuna salad sandwich with fries, and grilled breast of chicken sandwich with fries. Remember to toast Wyatt and his wife Josie. They're on the wall. Lunch and dinner, Monday to Saturday. — *E.B. (1/04)*

**Tamale Cart** Outside Rancho Fresco, 1852 National Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-338-9140. If you've ever wondered

what it would be like to eat as the Aztecs ate, come here and try some of the tamales — classic Aztec food — in all their flavors. Tamales are sort of steamed cornmeal dumplings wrapped in corn husks, served with sauce. The choice of goodies stuffed in the middle can include strips of pork, beef, chicken, or cheese, as well as pineapple, strawberries, or coconut. While you're at it, try the traditional accompaniment, the *champurrado* drink: milk mixed with *masa* — ground corn meal — chocolate, and cinnamon. In this mainly Spanish-speaking market you can sit, watch, and pick up a few bargains too. Tamales make a great breakfast. Three should do you. These are made by the Restaurant Chianpaneco up at 25th and Market. Open breakfast through late lunch, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

**Top of the Market** 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-234-4867. The upper-crust upper floor of the downtown Fish Market (see Multiple Locations listing) has largely the same food as the downstairs, plus a few luxury items (e.g., abalone) and occasionally some creative appetizer specials. Prices are about 25% higher for identical items, in exchange for a slightly elevated view and a dressier, white-tablecloth setting that's almost "formal" by San Diego standards — flip-flops and tank tops (on men) aren't allowed, and collared shirts (e.g., polos) are suggested at dinner. That doesn't mean that the atmosphere is quietly gracious — the room's just as huge, packed, and raucous as the lower realms, even on the terrace. Reserve, and expect a short wait anyway. Elevator provides wheelchair access. Open daily. Expensive. — *N.W. (9/01)*

## SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

**Clayton's Mexican Take-Out** 979 Orange Avenue (round corner at 1107 Tenth, at the back of Clayton's Coffee Shop), Coronado, 619-437-8811. It's a hole-in-the-wall, it's where Coronado High School and the military come for their Mexican fix, and it might just have one of the best *carne asada* burritos north of the line. Especially when Manuel's on. He gives you lots of meat. There are other good things, like rolled tacos, chicken tostadas, cheese enchiladas, and combination plates, but nearly everyone asks for the burrito. It has to weigh over a pound. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (4/03)*

**The Family House of Pancakes** 562 Broadway (across from Chula Vista Center), Chula Vista, 619-425-5133. This is a great place for three things: your family, your kids, and your appetite. The restaurant is famous for its "Grandma's" buckwheat pancakes, its banana-pecan pancake, and its rolled pancakes, oozing with berries and topped with cream and powdered sugar. Just try and survive their 8-12 egg omelet! Other good bets include a deluxe burger with French fries, tomatoes, and house sauce, and a grilled tuna sandwich with fries. Breakfast/lunch only, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Flamingo Cafe** 396 Broadway (at G Street), Chula Vista. 619-691-1076. Generations have been coming to the Flamingo ever since its grand opening in July, 1925, when it was a lone building amidst the vegetable fields. Regulars on fixed incomes form the backbone

of this institution, so the meal deals are real: hearty portions of chipped beef on toast, meatloaf sandwiches with fries, or lunch specials like half a sandwich and a cup of soup. One favorite: the beef stew special in a bread bowl. Evenings, there's always a "Sundowner" special. Open 24 hours, 7 days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Karian Restaurant** 2220 East Plaza Boulevard, Suite B, Grove Plaza Center, National City, 619-470-7491. It looks like a grass hut and features about 16 different dishes at remarkably low prices. *Hamonado*, *binagoongan*, and *sinampalokan* turn out to be sweet-and-sour pork in pineapple sauce, pork with salted shrimp, and chicken in tamarind soup. Filipinos like to mix sweet and savory flavors, like *kare kare*, beef tripe and oxtail cooked in peanut butter sauce. And everybody loves *pancit*, Filipino chow mein. Open 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**La Bella Pizza Garden** 373 Third Avenue (at F Street), Chula Vista, 619-426-8820. From the outside, La Bella looks like an Italian farmhouse, with geraniums, bright green shutters, and maroon canopies. A real extended family runs this business. Their secrets are: long hours (from breakfast until after midnight daily), big meals, and small prices. The menu includes standards like spaghetti with meatballs or lasagna, including sides of garlic bread, soup, or salad. The hit with kids is "Papa's Favorite," an 8-inch pizza with mushrooms, pepperoni, and sausage. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/01)*

**Mary J's Cafe** 1930 Cleveland Avenue, National City, 619-477-6645 or 619-477-5306. Mary J and her café have been around for 40 years and about the

only thing to change is the prices. This is the real National City. The regulars start piling in at 5 a.m. Mary always has specials going, but check the big board menu above the stove too. One of their most popular items is the Trucker's Breakfast (three eggs, ham, bacon or sausage, home fries, and toast), or steak and eggs with hash browns and toast. Mary's son Vic, the morning cook, always gives you more than enough. For lunch or early dinner, try the meat loaf with mixed veggies, boiled potatoes covered with gravy, toast, and soup or salad. Or chicken-fried steak with all the fixings. Also hefty: cheeseburgers or tuna melts (with fries plus soda included in the price) and that old American favorite, a fried egg sandwich with chips. Open 5 a.m. to 6 p.m., weekdays only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (6/02)*

**Miguel's Cocina** 1351 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-4237. Also 2912 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-2401 and 970 Eastlake Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-656-2822. Cached inside the courtyard of a "Spanish Colonial" mini-mall, Miguel's breezy trellised patio draws a dense dinner crowd from the nearby Del. The prime-time wait for a table may be worth it if you're in a gringo-Mex mood, especially if you've got kids in tow. Although the cooking is blandly pleasant (even the guacamole is underseasoned), it's surprisingly painstaking. Soups are built on fine stocks, salads can be vibrant, and seafood is treated so tenderly that the numerous shellfish-stuffed tortilla concoctions (shrimp enchiladas, lobster burritos) are positively luscious. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/00)*

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### BAJA

From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.

**Chiki Jai** Avenida Revolución #1388 (at 8th), Zona Centro, Tijuana, 685-4955. Eat here and you're surrounded by ghosts: Errol Flynn, John Huston, Rita Hayworth, Anthony Quinn, Ava Gardner, and, they say, Ernest Hemingway, who all ate — and drank vino tinto — here. Plus the great stars of boxing and bullfighting. But mainly it was a haven for Spanish jai alai players desperate for Old Country food. This is one of Tijuana's great historic eateries, its tale written on the walls. Old border photos, Don Quixote art, fighting bull ranchos' brands, and a matador's framed green cape with his blood still on it. The food's all Spanish, so paella is big (with soup, salad, French bread, and bleu cheese), but also try the baby eel appetizers, chorizo (pork sausages), *bacalao* (cod fish) *a la Vizcaina*, trout with olive oil and garlic, and Gallican octopus. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.B. (5/02)

**El Nido** Boulevard Benito Juárez #67 (1-1/2 blocks north of Hotel Festival Plaza), Rosarito Beach, Baja, 661-612-1430. Head south if you're looking for a great dry-aged, mesquite-broiled steak at a bargain price — but don't stop there. Try the house specialty, quail with garlic sauce (*codorniz al mojo de ajo*), or venison, especially the savory *machaca de venado* (strips of meat with peppers, onions, and tomatoes). Both are locally raised on the restaurant's own ranches, and may be united in a brilliant breakfast of quail eggs with deer *machaca*. Seafood and surf-and-turf variations are tasty, too. The restaurant's name means "the nest" and the amusing indoor-outdoor decor is a sort of multiroom aviary with birds singing, chirping, and fluttering all over. Full bar. If sensitive to smoke, don't sit next to the mesquite-burning hearth on the roofed patio. Dressy-casual. Bilingual staff and menu. Open daily, early morning to late evening. Mostly moderate; cash only. — N.W. (4/03)

**La Diferencia** Avenida Sánchez Taboada 10611-A, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-3346 or 634-7078. Mexican haute cuisine, with inventive combinations of traditional flavors. The creative menu reframes the old dishes and devises new ones. Wine list centers on Baja wineries (Monte Xanic and Cetto) at reasonable prices. Secure, free valet parking next to exterior courtyard. Menu is in Spanish (in a hard-to-read font), but some staffers speak some English. The restaurant is often noisy, even louder when mariachis play. Smoking permitted. Wheelchair access marginal. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (1/02)

**La Escondida** Santa Monica #1 (in Fraccionamiento Las Palmas), Tijuana, 681-4458. "The Hidden One," located in a converted mansion, boasts two gardens and patio dining, and is especially beautiful at night. The roasted baby goat, roasted quail, and the

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**La Espadana** Avenida Sánchez Taboada #10813, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-1488 or 634-1489. If you learn only one word of Spanish, learn this one: *Borrego*. Because this place does the greatest oven-cooked leg of lamb ever. The meat tastes as if it was cooked in wine, garlic, and herbs, but the owners insist it’s just Tecate lamb baked slowly in its own juices with a bit of oregano. But most folks come here for beef — steaks and the popular beef fillet, sizzled at a big flame-and-smoke display counter BBQ grill. All terra-cotta and timber, this is where the local middle classes come for their cross-border food fix. Think Tijuana’s version of Mission Valley. Still, it’s charming, and you can have fun. For instance, don’t forget to ask them to ring the bells set in their *espadanas* (holes cut in the Mission frontage) above the great arched wooden entrance door; they clank tunelessly, but they’re great for celebrating your 21st birthday, mom getting her degree — whatever. Open for breakfast, lunch, dinner, seven days. Moderate. — *E.B. (11/04)*

**Los Pelicanos** Calle de Cedro 115 #45 (west of Juarez), Rosarito Beach, Baja, 661-612-0445 or 661-612-1737. This hotel dining room is El Nido’s little (and less gifted) sister, with a much shorter menu (no venison) and perhaps less careful cooking. It serves good steaks and surf-and-turf in a handsome room and, at lunch, on a pretty ocean-view terrace. To find it, look for large sign on west side of Juarez, north of the tourist hub, directing you to the site. One winding flight up to the restaurant, no elevator. Bilingual staff and menu. Full bar. Open daily, three meals. Moderate; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

# What the Chef Eats

## CILANTRO TUNA

BY ENOC GUAJALES

Kitchen Manager, Onami Japanese Restaurant, Escondido

This is my own recipe that I created for the restaurant. It can be served as an appetizer or as a dinner. This dish is colorful and very simple to make — great for the holidays.

People who like cilantro really like this dish. The cilantro goes well with the raw tuna.

Be sure to buy the freshest tuna at a fish market.

The miso soup seasoning is the secret ingredient that can be found in Japanese markets and in some grocery stores. It is a fish salt that includes sardines, kelp, and mushrooms.

I recommend serving white zinfandel with this dish.

### HOW TO DO IT

Cut the chilled tuna with a very sharp knife, or have

your butcher cut it into ten equal pieces. Place the cilantro, onion, vinegar, olive oil, lemon juice, and miso seasoning in the blender and blend for 1 minute. Place this sauce on a serving plate. For an attractive presentation, arrange the slices of tuna on top of the sauce in the shape of a flower. That’s it.

This recipe serves two.



### INGREDIENTS

1 pound raw tuna, skin

removed, cut into 10 pieces

5 bunches cilantro

1 slice white onion

1 cup rice vinegar

1/2 cup olive oil

Juice of one lemon

1/2 tablespoon miso soup

seasoning

**Mercado Sobre Ruedas** From the toll road, take first Rosarito exit. At third traffic light, turn left and then take immediate right into Colonia Lucio Blanco. Don’t miss this huge flea market that materializes every Sunday (from morning until mid-afternoon) a couple of miles north of the tourist part of town. Its dozens of food-booths offer a vast variety of local treats, ranging from barbecued mutton (*borrego*) to savory Jalisco-style goat stew (*birria de chivo*) to all manner of tacos, made-to-order hotcakes with syrup, “Mexican hamburgers,” and Sno-Kones (don’t worry about the ice; by law, it has to be made with purified water). The food is totally authentic, cooked to Mexican tastes, and it’s a carnival for the mouth. Many vendors speak some English. Rock-bottom prices; cash only. — *N.W. (4/03)*

**Tacos Varios y Aguas Frescas** Corner of Constitución and 3rd, Tijuana. This is “just” a cart, but don’t let that stop your making the effort. Students, local businesspeople, and workers agree: this is the real thing. It’s

always causing a people-bulge on the sidewalk. However, the cart is only here from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., so you have to time it right. But from tongue to chicken mole, to *milanesa*, steak ranchero, *carne asada*, *chile relleno*, and *pescado* (fish), they create really big taco meals right there. Bonus: standing around chomping in the street is a great way to meet people and practice your Spanish. Nighttime only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

## MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

**Fish House Vera Cruz** 360 Via Vera Cruz (in back of “Restaurant Row”), San Marcos, 760-744-7346. Additional locations in Carlsbad and Temecula. This affordable seafood eatery packs in diners like sardines. Fresh fish and lots of it is the happenin’ thing. On a recent day, 23 different fresh fish selections were available as daily specials, on top of the regular

menu of crab, lobster, oysters, shrimp, catfish, etc. All fish is mesquite-broiled with no sauces and no special preparations but a dab of tartar sauce. The seafood is so fresh you don’t really mind. Each entrée includes a choice of two side dishes. The Manhattan chowder is especially tasty, as is their “krab” salad. This is an ideal place for families, but don’t even think of it for a romantic meal out. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *S.M. (3/04)*

**The Fish Market** 750 North Harbor Drive, downtown, 619-232-3474. There’s something fishy about these crowded, noisy, ever-multiplying restaurants — namely, mesquite-grilled, skewered, steamed, or pan-fried seafood, plus piscine chowders, pastas, and salads. Preparations are generally simple and consistent among locations. All the raw seafood is processed at the chain’s Northern California facilities, so when the menu refers to a “local” species it merely means it’s from somewhere in the Pacific. Small retail fish market in the downtown branch offers slightly fresher products

than most supermarkets. Identical products and dishes are served in the dining room, the oyster bar, and at Top of the Market. But the sushi bar is emphatically the top Fish Market venue, with just-right rice, pristine seafood, and expert preparation. The “Ichiban Hamachi” (also available in the dining rooms) is outstanding — and for a sexy treat, share a pair of “Honeymoon Oysters” with your honey. No reservations, but the space is vast so waits are brief. Restaurant open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. Also in Del Mar at 640 Via Del Valle, 858-755-2277; mini-branch near Fashion Valley, 2401 Fenton Parkway, 619-280-2277. — *N.W. (9/01)*

**Il Fornaio** 1333 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4911. Also at Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar, Del Mar, 858-755-8876. Il Fornaio’s defensive architecture walls it off from the Great Unwashed — the tourists wandering around Coronado’s Old Ferry Landing — but it’s worth breaching if only to get your teeth into their to-die-for bread. “*Il fornaio*” means “the baker,”

after all. Beyond bread, we’re talking rustic-feeling, herbal, ultra-fresh salads, and everyday Italian dishes ranging from *sfilatino con bisteccina* (thin grilled steak on a baguette with creamy dijon and salad) to a giant mesquite-grilled 22-ounce *bistecca alla fiorentina*, with lots of vegetarian and pasta dishes in between. A simple *penne alla sorrentina* — pasta tubes with a tomato, mozzarella, and basil sauce — is charming. Pizza *puttanesca* is heaven too, if you’re into anchovies. Interesting regional menus from different provinces of Italy pop up during the first two weeks of each month. Most staffers seem mind-blowingly knowledgeable. Moderate. — *E.B. (1/02)*

**Oggi’s** At least ten branches all over the suburbs; see phone book for the nearest one. Is it the pizzas or is it the housemade brewskis (six ales, one lager, one stout) that make Oggi’s so popular? Is it the sports-bar ambience (with multiple video screens) or just the near-ubiquity of branches that has won this chain numerous “best pizza” citations? The pizzas are American-style, with thick, slightly sweet crusts, many with elaborate toppings that sound more adventurous than they taste. (All the cheese alternatives are equally mild.) The menu also offers pub snacks, decent soups and salads, hearty sandwiches, and American-Italian entrées so mall-adapted that no *mamma mia* in Bensonhurst or North Beach would even recognize them. Full bar, lunch and dinner daily at most branches; free local delivery with minimum order. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (7/04)*

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# Last Call

*He hasn't let the larger investment alter the size of his ambition.*

The remainder:

*Spanglish*. Heart-on-sleeve comedy from James L. Brooks (*Broadcast News* and *As Good As It Gets*, to name his better ones), told in the form of an admissions essay to Princeton University, a document that must, by the end, have stretched to 60,000

words. It has, in the pattern of a Well-Made Sitcom if not a 19th-century Realist Novel, a set of characters and relationships in a socially "relevant" milieu: a master chef fearful of the effect of a four-star review on his cozy little neighborhood restaurant; his high-strung, motormouthed, hard-bodied wife, who requires domestic help now that she has been downsized into a full-time mom and part-time adulteress; her bibulous live-in mother, a former jazz singer; an adolescent daughter with a weight problem less burdensome than her mother's jabbing reminders of it; a younger brother who you often forget is in the movie; and a beautiful Mexican housekeeper who knows no English and has a beautiful preadolescent daughter of her own. Naturally, Brooks being Brooks, there are occasional scraps of observation and sensitivity: e.g., the maid's inability to

express her indignation in language when the lady of the house appropriates the other's daughter. Yet the entire project looks to have been sabotaged in the casting. Adam Sandler remains

a highly mannered actor even when he attempts to tone down his shtick; and his standard recipe of juvenile awkward-

ness and bashfulness, with a dash of infantile temper, seems rather unattractive in "the best chef in the United States." Téa Leoni, as the wife, is portraying so unattractive a personality to begin with, it's both unfair and unwise to allow her also to be less attractive *physically* than her unimpeachable maid and romantic rival, Paz Vega, who appears ready to steal a few roles from Penelope Cruz. In the result, what's supposed to be a bittersweet ending tastes strictly bitter. Sarah Steele, as the Anglo daughter, operates in only two modes, glaringly sunny and drenchingly stormy. And Cloris Leachman's tipsy-old-lady bit is straight sitcom. Thomas Haden Church, the goofball groom-to-be in *Sideways*, pops up in a role so small that some of it presumably got left on the cutting-room floor. His sole purpose, as a representative of that other



*The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou*

adult comedy, is to remind us of the importance of casting.

*Flight of the Phoenix*. Stripped-down remake of Robert Aldrich's near-perfect survival adventure of 1966 (despite what I keep seeing in print, including in the press notes: 1965), about a new plane constructed from the wreckage of an old one in the middle of the desert. Among the

things stripped away are all vestiges of character and thematic interest: no more humanism versus pragmatism; no more lingering hostilities of the Second World War; no more division between military and civilian; no more tension between the old school and the new; no James Stewart (a pilot for real in the Second World War as well as in *The Spirit of St. Louis* and *Strate-*

*gic Air Command* on the screen), no Richard Attenborough, no Hardy Kruger, no Peter Finch, no Ronald Fraser, no Ian Bannen, no Ernest Borgnine, no George Kennedy, no Dan Duryea. And nothing put in their place. Nothing, that is, except a computer-cartoon sandstorm and plane crash, a handful of pop songs, and a lusterless cast (headed by Dennis

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## MOVIES

Quaid) assembled for demographic rather than dramatic purposes: a headstrong woman ("This is bullshit!") where the original cast was all-male (save for Barrie Chase in a momentary hallucination), plus a couple of blacks, a Mexican, a Middle or Far Easterner, a virtual Rainbow Coalition. Director John Moore covers the same distance in half an hour less, hitting none of the right notes but hitting them faster and louder.

*Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events.* An amalgam of three of Daniel Handler's children's books under the pen name of Lemony Snicket (Jiminy Cricket! what a monicker!), here impersonated in voice and in silhouette by Jude Law (this year's Colin Farrell: six screen appearances and no solid foothold). The setting is an amalgam as well: Charles Addams Gothic and Edward Gorey Edwardiana infiltrated with modern conveniences such as cars with telephones, and verbal anachronisms such

as "This place could use a little TLC." The grand total, the small sum, is a sort of mock-Dickens to do with three orphaned siblings and their nefarious guardian, Count Olaf (Jim Carrey, piling two additional disguises, a slimy herpetologist and a salty sea captain, on top of his initial disguise as a hook-nosed ham actor with Bride-of-Frankenstein hair). The movie starts out with a just-kidding animated feature called *The Little Elf*, and our author/narrator, after its abrupt interruption, cautions us solemnly that the movie we are about to see instead is "extremely unpleasant," and he gives us leave to go elsewhere for our entertainment: "It's not too late to see a film about a happy little elf." But oh yes, it is. In 2004, it is most definitely too late. The "dark" children's film we are now obliged to put up with — ironic, cynical, facetious, factitious, forced, and jaded — takes excessive pride in its trendy conventionality and its stout opposition to forces long since decimated.

*The Phantom of the Opera.* Thanks (if that's the word) to the "revival" of the movie musical by way of *Moulin Rouge* and *Chicago*, the bombastic score of Andrew Lloyd Webber at long

last reaches the screen, in a jewel-box production of flowers, candles, literal smoke-and-mirrors, under the direction of Joel Schumacher: an overstaffed and suffocating bore. (Mere boredom, moreover, becomes outright exasperation in the cemetery scene where the romantic hero, after a sloppily staged swordfight, lifts his blade from the Phantom's throat and lets him go, only to begin frantically plotting his capture in the very next scene.) None of the fulsome visual effects can match the little slip of a thing who goes by the name of Emmy Rossum, with her tightly woven mat of hair, her pillowy lips, her perpetually surprised eyebrows. If she made a few fans with *Passionada*, *Mystic River*, and — was it only this past summer? — *The Day after Tomorrow*, she should herewith make a few slaves. Broadway musical star Patrick Wilson, meanwhile, following his impressive screen debut — also this very year? — as Travis in *The Alamo*, proves to be strangely bland in his own element. And Gerard Butler is an uncharismatic Angel of Music (a nicer alias of the Phantom), but at least his habitually noisy nose-breathing gets drowned out in the din.

*Meet the Fockers.* Twenty-five, thirty

years earlier, a cast of Robert De Niro, Dustin Hoffman, and Barbra Streisand would have tilted the earth's axis. Nowadays they — or at any rate Hoffman and Streisand, pickups for the sequel to *Meet the Parents*, as the hippie-dippy, touchie-feelie, looney-goosey parents of the groom-to-be — are just riding the coat-tails of Ben Stiller, happy to prolong their careers and to pretend they are partly responsible for a financial windfall that would have been infinitesimally smaller with Ron Leibman and Lainie Kazan in the parts. To do so, they have only to swallow their pride, if any, at such moments as when the preserved snipping from baby's circumcision gets catapulted into the fondue pot (Hoffman has been entrusted with the compulsory punch line: "Anyone for Chinese?") or when playing second banana to an undersized and oversexed pooch who will hump a foot, a cat, a doll, anything. As if all this were not demeaning enough, the two newcomers are introduced on screen via answering machine. De Niro, by comparison, comes off as almost dignified. Everything's relative.

*The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou.* With, more factually, Bill Murray in the role of Zissou, an over-the-hill, or

over-the-wave, oceanographer *cum* filmmaker, a cut-rate Cousteau: "What happened to me? Did I lose my talent? Am I ever going to be any good again?" Director Wes Anderson, a critical darling and "indie" bellwether for *Bottle Rocket*, *Rushmore*, and *The Royal Tenenbaums*, took a lot of money from Disney for the sake of some animated marine life and a marvelous cross-section set of the oceangoing vessel, the *Belafonte* (shown off to excellent effect on a single-take trek from the belly to the deck). To his credit, he hasn't let the larger investment alter the size of his ambition. He still goes after the muffled chuckle in a quiet corner (i.e., no foreskin in the fondue), and he aims, foremost and hindmost, to please his loyal followers instead of the anonymous crowd. The action scenes, either beyond him or beneath him, are so ridiculous (one-man-army Murray against a boatload of cut-throat pirates) that they play as if they must be fantasies, except they're not. Maybe they're a "comment" on contemporary action films in general. The bonding between father and long-lost son (Owen Wilson with an uncertain Kentucky accent) takes an unexpected turn at an unexpected juncture. And the quest for revenge against a man-eating sea monster ends not with a bang but with an ooh-ahh. Willem Dafoe has more than his share of good moments as a German crew member with a thin skin; and Seu Jorge as another crew member, endlessly strumming a guitar and singing David Bowie tunes in Portuguese, and Cate Blanchett as a pregnant journalist with a two-shades-too-dark suntan, have their moments, too. The whole thing, though, seems quite daftly pointless. Or pointlessly daft. In honesty, if you've seen the theatrical trailer, you've seen the best of it, or anyway a fair sampling of it.

*Beyond the Sea.* Vanity film from Kevin Spacey, directing himself in the part of pop star Bobby Darin in a free-form, fantasy-riddled biopic, throwing in a gratuitous impression of Jerry Lewis in the bargain (not bad), and doing his own singing in a mellower, droopier, croonier style possibly more suited to a biography of Vic Damone or Al Martino. The objection, voiced on the set of an autobiographical film-within-the-film, "He's too old to play this part," will not be answered by the rhetorical

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question, “How can you be too old to play yourself?” You can be too old to play “yourself” if you are really Kevin Spacey and not Bobby Darin, and you are already eight years older than Darin at the end of his life, never mind when he was recording “Mack the Knife” or courting Sandra Dee. (Kate Bosworth, whom I myself likened to Sandra Dee in *Win a Date with Tad Hamilton*, fails to measure up when trying to cram her hoof into the actual glass slipper.) Spacey does manage to win some sympathy — no small feat — for the teen idol’s makeover into the mustached, sideburned, wigless, and politically involved *Bob* Darin of the late Sixties (a sudden cousin to Bob Dylan), perhaps partly because his physical resemblance is closer at that point. But at all points we are conscious of contemplating not the life and legacy of Bobby Darin but the chutzpah of Kevin Spacey. Not without interest of its own.

*Darkness* snuck up on me unawares, and *Fat Albert* I would consider seeing only at gunpoint. Even then I might decide the time had finally come to put me out of my misery. ■

## MOVIE LISTINGS

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**After the Sunset** — Rhinestone heist thriller (a brandished DVD of *To Catch a Thief* establishes a standard of comparison) about a couple of high-tech jewel thieves in smug retirement in the Islands: “Now the challenge is to find joy in simple things.” But then the third of the priceless Napoleon Diamonds, of which our couple have already stolen the other two, sails into port, preceded by an obsessed FBI man. Pierce Brosnan flirts with homophobic jokes, and Salma Hayek models several acres of copper skin along with several square inches of skimpy. Woody Harrelson, Don Cheadle, Naomie Harris; directed by Brett Ratner. 2004.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Alexander** — The Great, that is. Not great movie, mind you, just great Alexander. The movie, on the other hand, is a lumbering three-hour uncinematic spectacle that traces the Macedonian conqueror (or uniter, depending upon your politics) from his days as a young lad to the end of his days as a young man — or more concretely, from a child actor who’s a pretty fair look-alike, and even Irish-accented sound-alike, for the star of the show, a bleached-blond Colin Farrell — while his mother, Angelina Jolie, rolling her r’s in some vague Mediterranean tongue, doesn’t age a day. Oliver Stone, in quest of another exposé, exposes himself as pretty much a fraud of a filmmaker. Oh, he may shower the hero with rose petals upon his triumphant entry into a computer-generated Babylon, and he may scare up a harem of wriggling and shimmying concubines, and he may marshal some trick photography for the battle scenes: time-tested slow-motion, of course, but also the more modish (post-*Private Ryan*) sorts of jerky and jumpy motion, and a totally bloodshot screen when the hero takes a spear in the chest. Most of the movie, though, is rudimentary face shots, in talky, speechy, shouty, bellowy scenes that are virtually unstaged, and are not more powerful for the rising volume of the voices. To a human battering ram such as Stone, the liberty to depict the switch-hitting sexual mores of the Ancient Greeks (Jared Leto in eyeliner) might have seemed a worthwhile advance over the mid-Fifties handling of the material (Richard Burton in the hero’s sandals), but this smidge of historical pedantry, no less than the general tedium, seems unlikely to rally the moviegoing troops. Only the background music of

Vangelis, for an authentic Greek flavor, gives the viewer the intermittent illusion that he is watching an epic: clearly the better option than Yanni. With Val Kilmer, Rosario Dawson, Anthony Hopkins, Christopher Plummer. 2004.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**The Aviator** — Martin Scorsese continues to suffer from a form of elephantiasis, compounded by a touch of Oskaritis: a pushing-three-hours epic on the tumultuous career of Howard Hughes (the eternally boyish Leonardo DiCaprio, deficient in gravitas even with the added mustache midway through) in the parallel worlds of filmmaking and aeronautics *circa* 1927-47. It offers little insight into the man (the best you can say of the childhood prologue, in which his mother terrorizes him with the threat of cholera and typhus, is that it’s brief), yet it offers plenty of random, rambling, gossip entertainment: the behind-the-scenes follies of the then most expensive film ever produced, *Hell’s Angels*; an exciting test flight in 1935, breaking the existing speed record, and a spectacular crash in 1946 in the heart of Beverly Hills, breaking numerous bones; two face-offs, or face-downs, of inquisitorial panels, first the Hollywood censors up in arms over Jane Russell’s décolletage in *The Outlaw*, and then a U.S. Senate committee ostensibly piqued over his misuse of government funds during the war; and a whole host of illustrations of his personal eccentricities (to pick a mild word): the handshake phobia, the stuck-phonograph-needle speech tic (suppressible only by a hand over his mouth), the lengthy sequestration in a studio screening room, with the resultant lengthy hair and fingernails, and the daily recycling of the delivered milk bottles as urinals. One way or another, the caricatures of Hollywood luminaries (principally Cate Blanchett’s recognizable Kate Hepburn, if only verbally, and Kate Beckinsale’s unrecognizable Ava Gardner) add to our entertainment as well — if, again, not to our insight. And, although useless as a narrative device or even a period-evocation device, Scorsese’s pedantic reproduction of the primitive two-color process (reds and blues only, yielding blue peas, blue foliage, etc.), evolving into a fuller spectrum with the passage of time, might tickle aficionados. Surely Scorsese, however, was fishing for a stronger compliment than words to the effect that his movie is good for a few

laughs. John C. Reilly, Alec Baldwin, Alan Alda. 2004.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 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)

**Bad Education** — An Almodóvar *paella* of priestly pederasty, transvestitism, female impersonation, film, stage, assorted spices and savories. (Gael García Bernal in the persona of cabaret artiste Zahara looks strikingly like a blond Julia Roberts.) The presentation is polished and colorful as always; the onion-y layers of reality — of fiction within fiction — appear muddled and murky. What his fans will nonetheless be certain to find a satisfying dish will be judged by others to be show-offy and self-indulgent. A tasty bit on which everyone might agree: the predatory priest and boy soprano in a guitar-and-vocal duet of “Moon River” *en español*. A true crossover number. Fele Martínez, Javier Cámara, Daniel Giménez-Cacho. 2004.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Beyond the Sea** — Reviewed this issue. With Kevin Spacey, Kate Bosworth, John Goodman, Bob Hoskins, Brenda Blethyn, and Caroline Aaron; directed by Spacey.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Blade Trinity** — Third installment in the god-awful series about the preening and posturing vampire-hunter out of Marvel Comics. The previous installment at least had the curiosity of a slumming Guillermo del Toro at the helm. He, in the meantime, took his slumming elsewhere (*Hellboy*), leaving the scriptwriter of the first two installments, David S. Goyer, to assume command. If so gifted a filmmaker and so strong a personality as del Toro could make no (or little) difference, a novice will have no (or little) chance. Especially if the novice has been the man writing these god-awful scripts. The present one literally digs up the original Dracula (in Iraq, to be exact, “about six months ago”), now going by the name of Drake and looking rather like a skinhead soccer hooligan (Dominic Purcell), when he

isn’t shape-shifting into a gargoyle Lucifer. The lone-wolf hero, Blade, is joined for the occasion by an independent team of swaggering, swashbuckling vampire-hunters, calling themselves the Night Stalkers (“We were going to go with the Care Bears, but that was taken”), under the leadership of an *au courant* Kick-Ass Chick (Jessica Biel). This turns out to be the daughter of Blade’s personal weapons manufacturer, wheezily played by Kris Kristofferson, who gets killed for the second time in three movies. (As that character was called Whistler, the new character would be Whistler’s Daughter.) Right-hand man of

the Kick-Ass Chick is a traditional Smart-Ass Sidekick (Ryan Reynolds), who lowers the tone another couple of octaves: “Unlike typical vampires,” he says of the Parker Posey vampire, “her fangs are located in her vagina.” 2004.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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of the Greek soprano, captured well past her prime, when she was involved in a project of dubious artistic integrity, lip-syncing on film to an earlier recording of *Carmen*. Fanny Ardant, as dark and dramatic-looking as the real diva, conveys the appropriate amount of passion — which is to say, plenty. This would seem to be one of the more “personal” works of Franco Zeffirelli, a past collaborator with Callas, though he himself conveys little passion. Jeremy Irons, Joan Plowright. 2002.

★★ (KEN, THROUGH 12/30)

**Christmas with the Kranks** — Holiday comedy, adapted from an anomalous novel by John Grisham (*The Firm*, *The Client*, *The Chamber*, *The Rainmaker*, *The this*, *The that*), about a suburban couple who opt, after their only offspring has flown the coop into the Peace Corps, to buck the Christmas tradition and resist the social pressures of their neighbors. A promising premise, unfulfilled in the early stages and broken to bits once the offspring announces her return to the coop with a Peruvian fiancé. One tradition upheld from the start, ripe to be bucked, is that of the annual Tim Allen Christmas film. He has one scene, at least, that Chaplin could have been proud of, had Chaplin lived in the age of Botox: trying to eat fruit cocktail with immobilized mandibles. And the sight of the middle-aged Jamie Lee Curtis in an itsy-bitsy bikini arouses admiration for her courage, if it arouses nothing else. With Dan Aykroyd, M. Emmet Walsh, Julie Gonzalo; directed by Joe Roth. 2004.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; PALM PROMENADE 24; SANTEE DRIVE IN; VOGUE)

**Closer** — Reekingly urbane Mike Nichols

chamber piece, prone to be seen as a long-distance companion to his *Carnal Knowledge* in its dirty talk and its romantic disillusion. The quartet of players — two American females, a stripper (but of course) and a portrait photographer, and two British males, an obituarist and a dermatologist — align and realign over an extended period of time. (The title is presumably to be pronounced with a soft s, synonym of “nearer,” not a hard s, synonym of Mariano Rivera.) A lot of important events transpire off-screen — in between scenes, in the blink of an eye — and it would not be amiss to say that the most interesting parts of the film are the skips. Nor would it be amiss to point out that these are common devices in theater, where indeed the film originated. While the action has, as they say, been “opened up,” the brittle dialogue still echoes of the stage. (Patrick Marber adapted his own play.) Clive Owen, normally a bit of a Gloomy Gus, is surprisingly the liveliest member of the ensemble; and Julia Roberts, hardly less surprisingly, is the most restrained, the most recessed. (She nevertheless remains the gracious recipient of the contractually required line: “You’re beautiful.”) Natalie Portman and Jude Law occupy the middle ground, fighting uphill battles to humanize their porcelain perfection. 2004.

★ (ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; SAN MARCOS 18)

**Darkness** — Haunted-house thriller with Anna Paquin, Lena Olin, and Iain Glen, directed by Jaume Balagueró. (CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18)



*Flight of the Phoenix*

**Fat Albert** — Live-action version of the TV cartoon, starring Kenan Thompson in the title role, directed by Joel Zwick.

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**Finding Neverland** — Academic exercise, adapted from an unrenowned theater piece entitled *The Man Who Was Peter Pan*, that purports to show how the playwright J.M. Barrie sculpted the glazed statue of *Peter Pan* from the soft clay of his real-life relationship with a widow and her four boys. (Albeit a platonic relationship, both with the widow and — titillating though it may be to believe otherwise — with the boys: “There have also been questions of how you spend time with those boys, *and why!*”) The usefulness of this exercise is rather diminished by the insistence, for Dramatic Purposes, that Barrie’s stroke of inspiration was somehow a bolt from the blue: thus the concealment of the playwright’s prior successes on the stage, the indifference to such outside literary influences as R.L. Stevenson (*Treasure Island*) and W.S. Gilbert (*The Pirates of Penzance*), the obliviousness to the prevailing child-worship afoot in England at the time, the denial of the pandering, undaring fashionability of the theme, and the preposterous pretense that it would constitute some sort of insight or revelation, as opposed to self-evident truism, that the play’s subtitle, “The Boy Who Would Not

Grow Up,” applies equally to its author as to its hero. (In real life, what’s more, the widow was not even a widow.) Johnny Depp summons up a decent Scottish accent to accompany an indecent smirk. And Kate Winslet is her usual tower of strength and intelligence in spite of a role so narrow in conception that she’s not going to be allowed to cough unless she’s going to die of it. With Julie Christie, Radha Mitchell, Dustin Hoffman; directed by Marc Forster. 2004.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12; PARKWAY PLAZA 18)

**Flight of the Phoenix** — Reviewed this issue. With Dennis Quaid, Giovanni Ribisi, Tyrese Gibson, Miranda Otto, and Hugh Laurie; directed by John Moore.

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**House of Flying Daggers** — Martial-arts bodice-ripper about a blind showgirl (the jug-eared China doll, Zhang Ziyi) who is neither blind nor a showgirl, but an agent of an underground movement (and, evidently, a 9th-century forerunner of Zatoichi) opposed to the tottering Tang Dynasty. Zhang Yimou’s follow-up to his *Hero* dispenses essentially more of the same — more, that is, of the *sameness* — more of the monotonousness. And the addition of more and more and more

ultimately equals less. What’s done has been done. To death. A lot of wonderful work went into the color, the fabrics, the sound effects in the opening brothel episode, but once the initial impression has been made, once the viewer can be presumed to be in the palm of the filmmaker’s hand, there is a falling-off in those departments. Always, the splendor of the settings — the birch forest, the bamboo grove, the flower meadow, the red and yellow tapestries of autumn leaves, the climactic snowstorm — overpowers the whimsicality of the action. (The weapons for which the rebels are named are not just “flying” daggers; they’re “smart” daggers, changing direction in midflight like guided missiles.) To put it a different way, the *variety* of the settings overpowers the *repetitiveness* of the action. With Takeshi Kaneshiro and Andy Lau. 2004.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**The Incredibles** — A Pixar computer cartoon about a married-with-children team of superheroes in enforced retirement under the Superhero Relocation Program. The tweaking of superheroes has long since progressed beyond a mere trend into a full-blown state of cultural decadence, but there’s no particular reason to hold it against this little tag-along. The topography of the volcanic island that serves as the archvillain’s lair is well rendered, and the imitation-007 musical score hits a high number of right notes. With the voices of Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter, Samuel L. Jackson, and Jason Lee; written and directed by Brad Bird. 2004.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; POWAY 10)

**Kinsey** — Heavy-footed biopic on the controversial American sexologist Alfred Kinsey (Liam Neeson, suppressing his Irish accent into something not quite American and not quite British, but adrift somewhere in the ocean between). Writer-director Bill Condon apparently felt it was vital to establish his subject’s upbringing under a puritanical father (“Electricity has made possible the degrading picture show”), yet it’s unapparent why he needed four actors — three younger incarnations who are poor matches for the mature adult — to establish it: the father (a typeset John Lithgow) doesn’t change his tune with any of them. The storyline eventually catches up to the lead actors, or vice versa, in middle age, but not before Neeson and Laura Linney have had to play at being virgins on their wedding night: it would be hard to sort out the strands of embarrassment in that scene. There’s an efficient framing device — right at the outset and at intervals throughout — of Kinsey submitting to the same sexual-history interview he administered to thousands of others, but

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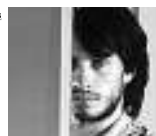
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even with that, it takes a long time to get him from the study of gall wasps to the study of human sexuality. (The lesson learned from the insects — the individuality of every creature in the species — carries over to humans as well, with striking rhetorical effect, particularly in a checkerboard montage of talking heads dotting the U.S. map.) A great deal of chronological ground is gone over, in mostly cursory fashion, and without many signposts as to where exactly we are and what’s going on in the world at large. It’s clear enough, all the same, that we’re in a sexual Dark Age and that Kinsey, notwithstanding his unprepossessing bow tie and crew cut, is our Prometheus. His experimentation on himself (“I punctured my foreskin.... It didn’t give me any pleasure”), including a go at homosexuality with one of his assistants (Peter Sarsgaard, dropping his drawers for art), takes him near to mad-scientist territory; and even Kinsey squirms a bit in his interview of a sexual omnivore to whom age presents no barrier. Might he be, after all, more a Pandora than a Prometheus? But the balance of the evidence, most tellingly a momentary crack in the façade of the flinty father and a final testimonial from Lynn Redgrave (a holdover from Condon’s *Gods and Monsters*), amounts to a clarion endorsement. 2004.

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**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.

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**National Treasure** — Juvenile adventure yarn about a treasure hunt for the legendary booty of the Knights Templar, handed down



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to their natural successors, the Masons, and squirreled away by the American Founding Fathers, with clues to its whereabouts written in invisible ink on the back of the Declaration of Independence. The Jerry Bruckheimer treatment (Jon Turteltaub the nominal director) blends bombast and grandiosity with insolence and insouciance, in such a way as to appeal strictly to the tone-deaf or tone-indifferent (or more exactly, juveniles). Nicolas Cage reverts to his action-hero mode, which is to say his

take-the-money-and-run mode. Justin Bartha, the mentally challenged younger brother in *Gigli* (if you’re one of the forty-two people who saw it), is the sardonic sidekick who seems to be doing an impression of Dennis Miller. Diane Kruger, the Face That Launched a Thousand Ships in *Troy*, is Just Another Pretty Face. And Sean Bean is just another British baddie, albeit slightly more justifiable as a present-day descendant of the Redcoats. With Jon Voight, Harvey Keitel, Christopher

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**Ocean’s Twelve** — The gang of eleven, the ersatz Rat Pack, reconvenes (Clooney, Pitt, Damon, et al.); the newcomer, the apparent twelfth, is not a member of the gang at all, but a member of law enforcement (Catherine Zeta-Jones). Even the victim of the previous heist returns (Andy Garcia), rounding up each of the thieves in a laborious preamble, demanding repayment plus interest, or roughly \$19 million per head, after having been informed of their identities and whereabouts by a rival heister known only as the Night Fox (Vincent Cassel), who wants to force them into a bragging-rights competition to swipe the “famous Fabergé coronation egg” on exhibit in a Roman museum. Smugness, rather than the promoted “coolness,” would seem to be the predominant attitude, not only of the cocksure crooks but also of the filmmakers, fresh from laughing all the way to the bank. Steven Soderbergh, as he found out on the first film, has built up enough credit with critics (some of it well earned) that they will go a long way to make excuses for him. This time they will need to go a long way and a

little farther. It oughtn’t to be necessary, though, to pick apart the nonsensical plot in detail in order to demonstrate the contempt of the filmmakers for their material and their audience. It ought to be sufficient to cite the lame comic twist whereby the character played by Julia Roberts is asked to put on a Southern accent and impersonate the *real* Julia Roberts; is accepted as such by the Roman press as well as by Bruce Willis (playing himself); and is put in the position of speaking over the telephone to “herself” on her Taos ranch. Far from being some postmodern Pirandellian prank, this smacks of the desperation of an old-time middle-of-the-road Hollywood comedy such as *Take Her, She’s Mine*, in which the character played by James Stewart gets hounded in France on the grounds that he looks like James Stewart. Of course an old-time middle-of-the-road Hollywood hack such as Henry Koster had no one to make excuses for him. 2004.

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**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 3:00) 6:30; **Closer** (R) Fri. (12:00, 2:35, 5:05) 7:50; Sat.-Thu. (12:00, 2:35, 5:05) 7:50, 10:10; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri. (11:50, 2:05, 4:20) 6:50; Sat.-Thu. (11:50, 2:05, 4:20) 6:50, 9:30; **Finding Neverland** (PG) Fri. (12:10, 2:45, 5:15) 7:40; Sat.-Thu. (12:10, 2:45, 5:15) 7:40, 10:00; **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri. (11:40, 2:25, 4:55) 7:20; Sat.-Thu. (11:40, 2:25, 4:55) 7:20, 9:50; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri. (11:30, 2:15, 4:55) 7:30; Sat.-Thu. (11:30, 2:15, 4:55) 7:30, 10:20; **Ocean's Twelve** (PG-13) Fri. (12:20, 3:30) 6:40; Sat.-Thu. (12:20, 3:30) 6:40, 9:40

**Mission Valley 20**  
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)  
**Beyond the Sea; Meet the Fockers; The Aviator; Fat Albert; The Phantom of the Opera; Darkness; The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou; Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events; Flight of the Phoenix; Spanglish; House of Flying Daggers; Closer; Ocean's Twelve; Blade Trinity; National Treasure; The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie; The Polar Express; The Incredibles**

### STATE UNIVERSITY

**Cinerama 6**  
5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 3:55) 8:15; Sun. (12:20, 3:55) 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:55) 7:25; **Blade: Trinity** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 2:30) 4:55, 7:25, 9:55; Sun. (12:05, 2:30) 4:55, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:20) 7:45; **Darkness** (PG-13) Fri. (12:30, 2:50) 5:10, 7:35, 9:45; Sat. (12:30, 2:50) 5:10, 7:40, 10:05; Sun. (12:30, 2:50) 5:10, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. (3:40, 5:50) 8:00; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:10, 2:25) 4:45, 7:15, 9:35; Sun. (12:10, 2:25) 4:45, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:15) 7:35; **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri. (12:50, 3:10) 5:30, 7:50, 10:05; Sat. (12:50, 3:10) 5:30, 7:50, 10:15; Sun. (12:50, 3:10) 5:30, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:25, 5:45) 8:10; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri. (12:00, 2:40) 5:20, 7:45, 10:10; Sat. (12:00, 2:40) 5:20, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. (12:00, 2:40) 5:20, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:05, 5:30) 7:55

**Ken**  
4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)  
**Callas Forever** (Not Rated) Thu. (2:15) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; **Straight-Jacket** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:15) 4:45, 7:15; Sat.-Sun. (2:15) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (4:45) 7:15, 9:45

### UPTOWN

**Hillcrest Cinemas**  
3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)  
**Bad Education** (NC-17) Fri. (11:10, 1:50, 4:40) 7:40; Sat.-Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:40, 7:40, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:40) 7:40, 10:15; **Kinsey** (R) Fri. (10:50, 1:40, 4:30) 7:30; Sat.-Sun.

(10:50) 1:40, 4:30, 7:30, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:30) 7:30, 10:10; **The Motorcycle Diaries** (R) Fri. (1:10, 4:10) 7:10; Sat.-Sun. (1:10) 4:10, 7:10, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:10) 7:10, 9:55; **Sideways** (R) Fri. (10:40, 1:30, 4:20) 7:20; Sat.-Sun. (10:40) 1:30, 4:20, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:20) 7:20, 10:05; **A Very Long Engagement** (R) Fri. (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Sat.-Sun. (1:00) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 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)  
**Forces of Nature** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 4:00; **Roar: Lions of the Kalahari** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 5:00, 7:00; Mon.-Tue. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00; Wed.-Thu. 1:00, 3:00; **Santa vs. The Snowman** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 10:00, 3:00; **Sky Tonight Wed. 7:00; Volcanoes of the Deep Sea** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. 12:00, 2:00, 6:00, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 5:00

## EAST COUNTY

### EL CAJON

**Parkway Plaza 18**  
405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 4:00) 8:00; **Blade: Trinity** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 1:55, 4:40) 7:25, 10:10; **Christmas with the Kranks** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (2:40, 5:15) 7:50, 10:25; **Darkness** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:05, 4:40) 7:15, 9:50; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:10, 4:35, 12:15) 7:00, 9:25; **Finding Neverland** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 1:55, 4:35) 7:15, 9:55; **Flight of the Phoenix** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:15, 5:00) 7:45, 10:30; **The Incredibles** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:50, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20; **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:30, 2:10, 3:05, 4:50, 5:40) 7:30, 8:15, 10:10, 10:50; **The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:20, 2:10, 5:00) 7:50, 10:40; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 11:20, 11:40, 1:50, 2:10, 2:30, 4:40, 5:00, 5:20) 7:30, 7:50, 8:10, 10:20, 10:40, 11:00; **National Treasure** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 2:00, 5:00) 8:00, 11:00; **Ocean's Twelve** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:50, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:45, 2:10, 4:35) 7:00, 9:25; **Spanglish** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:50, 1:50, 4:50) 7:50, 10:50

### LA MESA

**Grossmont Center**  
Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 3:00) 7:15, 10:45; **Closer** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:20, 2:40) 5:00, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (12:20, 2:40, 5:00) 7:20, 9:55; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 2:15) 4:35, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 2:15, 4:35) 7:10, 9:45; **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 2:45) 5:15, 7:55, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 2:45, 5:15) 7:55, 10:25; **The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:40) 5:20, 8:00, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:40, 5:20) 8:00, 10:40; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 12:15, 1:45, 2:50) 4:20, 5:30, 7:00, 8:15, 9:50, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 12:15, 1:45, 2:50, 4:20, 5:30) 7:00, 8:15, 9:50, 10:45; **Ocean's Twelve** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 2:00) 4:45, 7:35, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (11:20, 2:00, 4:45) 7:35, 10:15; **The Phantom of the Opera** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30) 4:10, 7:05, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 4:10) 7:05, 10:00; **Spanglish** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:05, 2:05) 4:50, 7:45, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 2:05, 4:50) 7:45, 10:35

**Grossmont Trolley**  
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)  
**Blade: Trinity** (R) Fri.-Thu. 6:45, 9:15; **Darkness** (PG-13) Fri. (12:40, 3:40) 6:50, 9:40; Sat.-Sun. (10:20, 12:40, 3:40) 6:50, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 3:40) 6:50, 9:05; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri. (12:30, 3:20) 6:20, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (10:15, 12:30, 3:20) 6:20, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 3:20) 6:20, 8:40; **Flight of the Phoenix** (PG-13) Fri. (1:10, 3:55) 6:40, 9:25; Sat.-Sun. (10:35, 1:10, 3:55) 6:40, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:55) 6:40, 9:10; **The Incredibles** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:05) 6:30; **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri. (1:00, 3:45) 6:25, 9:00; Sat.-Sun. (10:30, 1:00, 3:45) 6:25, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:45) 6:25, 8:50; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45, 3:30) 6:15, 9:10; Sat.-Sun. (10:00, 12:45, 3:30) 6:15, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 3:30) 6:15, 8:45; **National Treasure** (PG) Fri. (3:35) 9:05; Sat.-Sun. (10:05, 3:35) 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (3:35) 9:00; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri. (1:15, 3:25); Sat.-Sun. (10:40, 1:15, 3:25); Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:25); **Sideways** (R) Fri. (12:55, 3:50) 6:45, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (10:10, 12:55, 3:50) 6:45, 9:35;

Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:50) 6:45, 9:20

### RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Rancho San Diego 15**  
2951 Jamacha Road  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 4:00) 8:00; **Blade: Trinity** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:45, 4:35) 7:20, 10:25; **Christmas with the Kranks** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 7:25, 9:50; **Darkness** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:35, 1:35, 4:30) 7:30, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 4:30) 7:30, 10:25; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 12:30, 2:55, 5:20) 7:40, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:55, 5:20) 7:40, 10:10; **Flight of the Phoenix** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:15, 1:05, 3:55) 7:10, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:55) 7:10, 10:00; **The Incredibles** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:55, 4:40); **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:45, 1:30, 4:10, 12:45, 3:30) 7:00, 7:45, 9:40, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 1:30, 3:30, 4:10) 7:00, 7:45, 9:40, 10:30; **The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou** (R) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 1:00, 4:05) 7:05, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 4:05) 7:05, 10:05; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 1:20, 1:50, 4:15, 4:45, 12:50, 3:45) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:55, 10:20, 10:50; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 12:50, 1:20, 1:50, 3:45, 4:15, 4:45) 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 9:55, 10:20, 10:50; **National Treasure** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 7:35, 10:35; **Ocean's Twelve** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:20, 1:25, 4:25) 7:15, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:25, 4:25) 7:15, 10:30; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri.-Sun. (10:10, 12:30, 2:50, 5:10); Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 2:50, 5:10); **Spanglish** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (10:05, 1:10, 4:20) 7:25, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:20) 7:25, 10:40

### SANTEE

**Santee Drive In**  
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)  
**Meet the Fockers; Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events; Christmas with the Kranks; Ocean's Twelve**

## SOUTH BAY

### CHULA VISTA

**Chula Vista 10**  
Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri. 12:00 (3:30) 7:00; Sat.-Thu. 12:00 (3:30) 7:00, 10:30; **Blade: Trinity** (R) Fri. 2:45, 7:45; Sat.-Thu. 2:45, 7:45, 10:30; **Darkness** (PG-13) Fri. 10:30 (1:00, 3:45) 6:00, 8:30; Sat.-Thu. 10:30 (1:00, 3:45) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 7:45; Sat.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; **Flight of the Phoenix** (PG-13) Fri. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; Sat.-Thu. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; **The Incredibles** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45); **Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Sat.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri. 10:30 (11:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:30, 8:00; Sat.-Thu. 10:30 (11:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:30, 10:45; **National Treasure** (PG) Fri. 4:45, 7:30; Sat.-Thu. 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; **Ocean's Twelve** (PG-13) Fri. 11:15 (2:15) 5:00, 8:00; Sat.-Thu. 11:15 (2:15) 5:00, 8:00, 10:45; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15) 5:15

**Palm Promenade 24**  
770 Dennerly Road (858-558-2262)  
**Beyond the Sea; Meet the Fockers; The Aviator; Fat Albert; The Phantom of the Opera; Darkness; The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou; Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events; Flight of the Phoenix; Spanglish; House of Flying Daggers; Closer; Ocean's Twelve;**

this issue. With Gerard Butler, Emmy Rossum, Patrick Wilson, Minnie Driver, and Miranda Richardson; directed by Joel Schumacher.

● (ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**The Polar Express** — Neither an “instant classic” nor the polar opposite, but a middling addition to the holiday repertoire: computerized illustrations of the Chris Van Allsburg children’s book about a little boy already too old to believe in Santa (“This is your crucial year”), snatched out of his bed on Christmas Eve for a faith-restoring train trip to the North Pole. Is seeing believing? — or vice versa? (The answer to the explicit question, “Could this be nothing but a dream?,” is a firm “No!”) The fundamental animation technique of drawing on top of live-action figures — as in Ralph Bakshi’s

version of *The Lord of the Rings*, for example — is nothing new, but it has never looked quite like this: a mobile billboard or magazine ad airbrushed to the thickness of cake frosting, giving the image a velvety, mossy, furry, peach-fuzzy feel. Filmmaker Robert Zemeckis, who really did foment a revolution in animation in *Who Framed Roger Rabbit*, does not now appear likely to repeat the feat. But only time will tell. (Maybe when computer-generated touch-ups have become as commonplace in Hollywood as cosmetic surgery, we’ll look back on *The Polar Express* as the breakthrough.) There are some marvelous sights on parade — the ghostly first appearance of the choo-choo out of a clearing cloud of steam and swirling snow; the wind-borne ticket that returns to its holder via a relay network of a pack of wolves, an eagle, a rolling snowball, etc.; the perilous slog over the top of the railcars against a relentless salvo of blinding snowflakes; the train snaking across an ice-

covered track; the red-brick Victorian architecture of the Pole — but these, without exception, are significantly liberated from the live actors. They are free-hand animation. The recognizable face of Tom Hanks, behind a walrus mustache and half-moon glasses, in the part of the train conductor and chief proselytizer for childlike credulity, is something of a distraction — a disruption in the cartoon universe — in the same way that an overly recognizable voice can be a distraction (Robin Williams in *Aladdin*, Eddie Murphy in *Shrek*, Albert Brooks and Ellen DeGeneres in *Finding Nemo* — name your own). But Hanks’s voice, in a handful of other roles besides that of the conductor, almost as though he alone were reading the Van Allsburg text for audiotape, has been sufficiently disguised or electronically altered to be no more than a minimal distraction. 2004.

★★ (CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6;

GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Por la Libre (Dust to Dust)** — Two combative cousins take off for Acapulco in Grandpa’s car with Grandpa’s ashes. Mexican dark comedy, groping, fumbling, as if night-blind. With Osvaldo Benavides, Rodrigo Cachero, and Ana de la Reguera; directed by Juan Carlos de Llaca. 2003.

● (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 1/3, 6:30 P.M.)

**Ray** — Truncated and time-scrambled biography of singer Ray Charles, with a lot of back and forth between his childhood in rural Florida and his manhood *circa* 1948-65, to ensure that Jamie Foxx will never be absent from the screen for too long at a stretch. There’s a nice scene of the newly blind boy at age seven or eight, getting his bearings from the aural co-ordinates around the wood shanty he calls home, while his

mother stands by in silence and lets him figure it out for himself. There could have been more of that sort of thing. At two and a half hours, the movie taxes our fondness for this lugubrious wailer (otherwise known as the Genius of Soul); and the fact that he passed away in the same year in which the movie was released only tightens the emotional screws. The routine re-enactments of financial exploitation, marital infidelities, drug abuse, backstage discord among band members, etc., hope to be ennobled by the brand name of Ray Charles — or more broadly, by the customary blackmail of True Story. Foxx does a commendable job of mimicking the trademark mannerisms — the rocking motion whether walking or singing, the self-hug, the twenty-four-tooth grin — but it’s a performance condemned to stay on the surface, like a leaf on a pond. With Kerry Washington, Regina King, Clifton Powell; directed by Taylor Hackford. 2004.

★ (GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24; VOGUE)

2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:30, 8:00; Sat. 10:30 (11:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:30, 8:00, 10:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (11:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:30, 8:00; **National Treasure** (PG) Fri. 2:45, 7:45; Sat. 2:45, 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 2:45, 7:45; **Ocean’s Twelve** (PG-13) Fri. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Sat. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30) 5:30; **Spanglish** (PG-13) Fri. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; Sat. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15

**RAMONA**

**Ramona Twin**  
626 Main Street (760-789-3422)  
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**SAN MARCOS**

**San Marcos 18**  
1180 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 4:00) 8:00; **Beyond the Sea** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (9:55, 1:05, 4:05) 7:05, 10:05; **Blade: Trinity** (R) Fri.-Thu. 7:05, 9:50; **Christmas with the Kranks** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 7:45, 10:20; **Closer** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:15, 1:15, 4:05) 7:15, 10:15; **Darkness** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:10, 4:50) 7:30, 10:10; **Fat Albert** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 1:50, 4:40) 7:20, 9:40; **Flight of the Phoenix** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 2:15, 5:00) 7:40, 10:25; **The Incredibles** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 2:05, 4:50); **Lemony Snicket’s A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (10:20, 11:20, 1:05, 2:20, 4:15, 5:15) 8:00, 10:40; **The Life Aquatic with Steve Zissou** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:55) 7:50, 10:45; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:00, 10:45, 12:30, 1:00, 1:45, 3:30, 4:00, 4:45) 6:30, 7:00, 7:45, 9:30, 10:00, 10:35; **National Treasure** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 7:40, 10:30; **Ocean’s Twelve** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:30, 1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:40; **The Phantom of the Opera** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 3:30) 7:00, 10:15; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri.-Thu. (10:05, 12:25, 2:55, 5:10); **Sideways** (R) Fri.-Thu. (10:25, 1:25, 4:25) 7:35, 10:25; **Spanglish** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (10:10, 1:10, 4:10) 7:15, 10:10

**VISTA**

**Vista Village Metroplex 15**  
Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive  
(760-945-7469)  
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**NORTH COASTAL**  
**CARLSBAD**

**Plaza Camino Real**  
2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)  
Call theater for program information

**DEL MAR**

**Del Mar Highlands 8**  
El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)  
**The Aviator** (PG-13) Fri. 12:00 (3:30) 7:00; Sat. 12:00 (3:30) 7:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 12:00 (3:30) 7:00; **Flight of the Phoenix** (PG-13) Fri. 2:30, 7:45; Sat. 2:30, 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 2:30, 7:45; **The Incredibles** (PG) Fri. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Lemony Snicket’s A Series of Unfortunate Events** (PG) Fri. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; 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; **Meet the Fockers** (PG-13) Fri. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Ocean’s Twelve** (PG-13) Fri. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; Sat. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15;

Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; **The Polar Express** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15) 5:15; **Sideways** (R) Fri. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45; Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45; **A Very Long Engagement** (R) Fri. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00

**Flower Hill 4**  
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**Sideways** — The bare outline would look like a hundred other buddy comedies: two old friends from college, an ex-soap opera actor and a would-be novelist, take off for an ostensible round of golfing and wine-tasting a week before the former's wedding. They present a classic study in contrasts: the slob and the snob; the free-wheeler and the fuddy-duddy; the fun-seeker and the aesthete; the hack and the artiste. The film itself not only illustrates the split; it incarnates it. Events unfold straight down the middle of the commercial road: the bridegroom, determined to sow as many wild oats as possible, has his amorous entanglements and his torturous extrications, while his divorced and depressed pal warms up slowly to a potential soul mate. It would not be difficult to picture, let's say, Owen Wilson and Ben Stiller in the parts. Nor would it be difficult to imagine the film as yet another Hollywood remake of a French farce (pick your winemaking region), originally starring Gerard Depardieu and Michel Blanc. But director and co-writer Alexander Payne, apparently drifting contentedly into the mainstream with his *Election* and *About Schmidt*, has clearly chosen now to paddle against the current. The choice — to do what's best for the film rather than best for the box-office — is clear enough in the casting: Thomas Haden Church and Paul Giamatti as the buddies, Sandra Oh (the filmmaker's wife) and Virginia Madsen as their respective romantic interests. In other areas, too, the film asserts its (in all senses) independence. Not, however, in every area: not in its whip-crackingly chipper music or its negligently washed-out color. But within the commonplace plot outline, the details are vibrant and venturesome, not flyblown and formulaic: Giamatti filling in the *New York Times* crossword puzzle atop his steering wheel to pass the time on the freeway, or hastily signing his mother's birthday card as he walks from his car to her front door. (And no mainstream movie would allow an aspiring novelist to cite, as an influence, Robbe-Grillet, much less allow his listener to know what he means.) And the depiction of masculine deceit — self-



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deception, congenital mendacity — extends as far and as wide as a whole way of life, a fundamental condition of existence, a subject for a film of substance. 2004.

★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**Spanglish** — Reviewed this issue. With Adam Sandler, Téa Leoni, Paz Vega, and Cloris Leachman; written and directed by James L. Brooks.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM

PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

### The Spongebob Squarepants Movie

— Big-screen blowup of the Nickelodeon TV cartoon show, brain-child of writer-director Stephen Hillenburg. After a campy musical prologue with some live-action pirates, we are introduced to the ocean-floor community of Bikini Bottom; to the title character who looks as much like a block of Swiss cheese as like an O-Cel-O sponge (the rectangular pants, something like a step-in flower box, do not identify him either way); to his starfish pal, Patrick; to his boss, Eugene Krabs, owner of the Krusty

Krab eatery, home of the Krabby Patty; and to the latter's envious business rival, a specimen of plankton who runs the unsuccessful Chum Bucket and steals the secret recipe of the Krabby Patty, along with the crown of King Neptune (exposing his bald spot and fragile ego), and frames the crab for the crime. It's up to Spongebob, the Krusty Krab's fry-cook who covets the position of manager in the newly opened Krusty Krab 2, to set things right. Is he *man* enough for the job, or is he just a *kid* who likes to blow bubbles and eat ice cream? A live-action David Hasselhoff comes to the rescue in a campy climax that balances the campy prologue. All of this is apt to sound viable enough in summary. The actual artwork, on the other hand, is willfully

primitive, knowingly naive, or, without the equivocation, just plain lousy, and the voices are almost unanimously annoying. A newcomer to the terrain might be struck by the number of phallic shapes on parade. Phallic heads, phallic snouts, phallic appendages. The phallic eyes of the crab are even covered, on and off, with roll-down condom-like eyelids (if that's the proper crustacean word). Such a newcomer may, even so, have a hard time convincing himself that this constitutes an appeal to the adult. The same may be said of the self-conscious mythicizing: the quest motif, the growth motif, the deliverance motif. Even that, in the aftermath of *Star Wars*, has become kids' stuff. No doubt there's a creative touch or two, possibly three: the sandwich car, one or two of the sea monsters. The rest is not quite all the way to appalling, but it's nearer that than amusing. 2004.

● (HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; VOGUE)

**A Very Long Engagement** — Jean-Pierre Jeunet's visualization of a novel by Sebastien Japrisot, a name firmly entrenched in the mystery and suspense genres: *The Sleeping-Car Murders*, *The Lady in the Car with Glasses and a Gun*, *One Deadly Summer*, others. This one is plainly in the grips of a greater ambition, a WWI-period romance about a tuba-playing, polio-crippled cutie (Audrey Tautou), pounding the trail of her soul mate (Gaspard Ulliel) who vanished on the front lines at the quaintly named bunker of Bingo Crepuscule. So, there's still a mystery element in it, and even a professional detective (not one to inspire much confidence), but the overriding feeling of the thing is expansively, unconstrainedly "novelistic," with scraps of information gathered willy-nilly from different time zones and a narrator to fill in the gaps. Neither the pet composition — giant faces floating in front of a blurred background on a convex canvas — nor the monochromatic, butterscotchy color manages to redeem the film as cinematic. (Though the first shot, of a broken Christ hanging from a cross by one hand, is a grabber.) The scrambled structure never quite enables you to believe in the Great Love or to follow the train of detection. And the winkingly tall-tale tone disengages you to the point of uninterest. Jean-Pierre Becker, Dominique Bettenfeld, Jodie Foster. 2004.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

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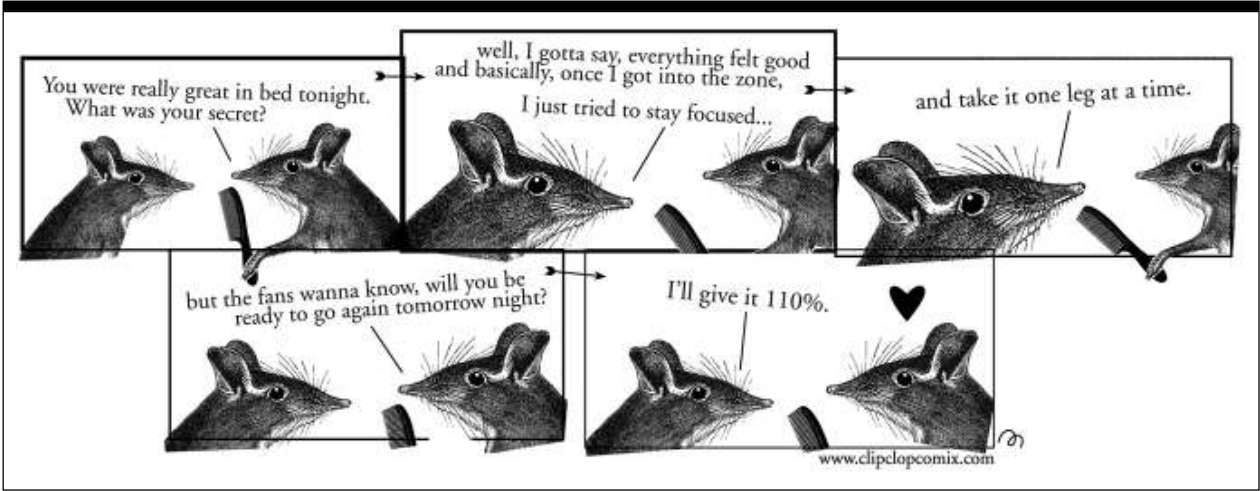
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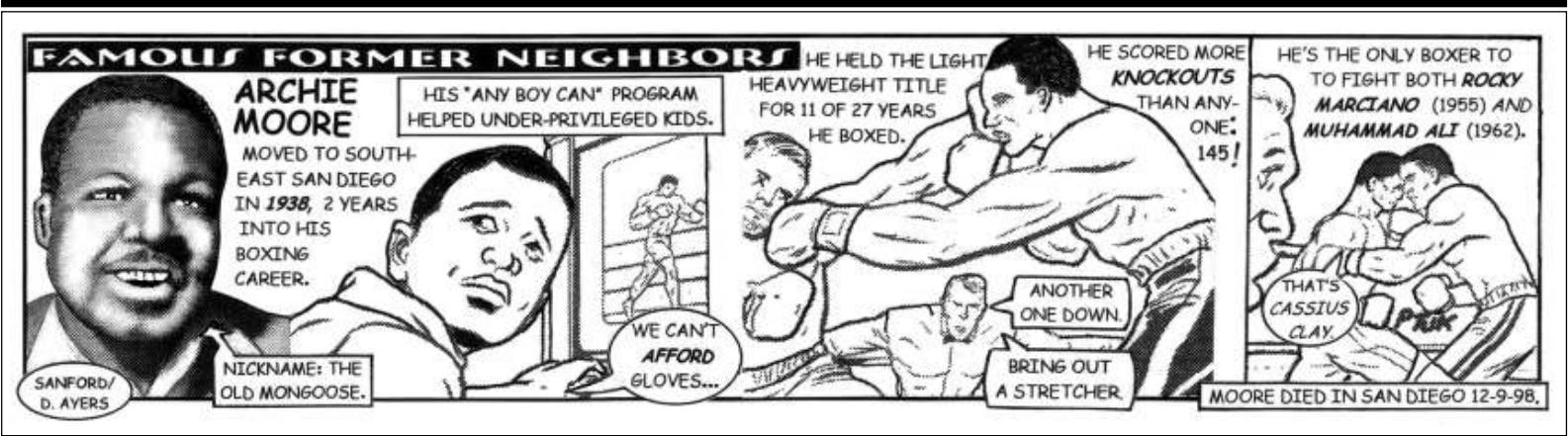
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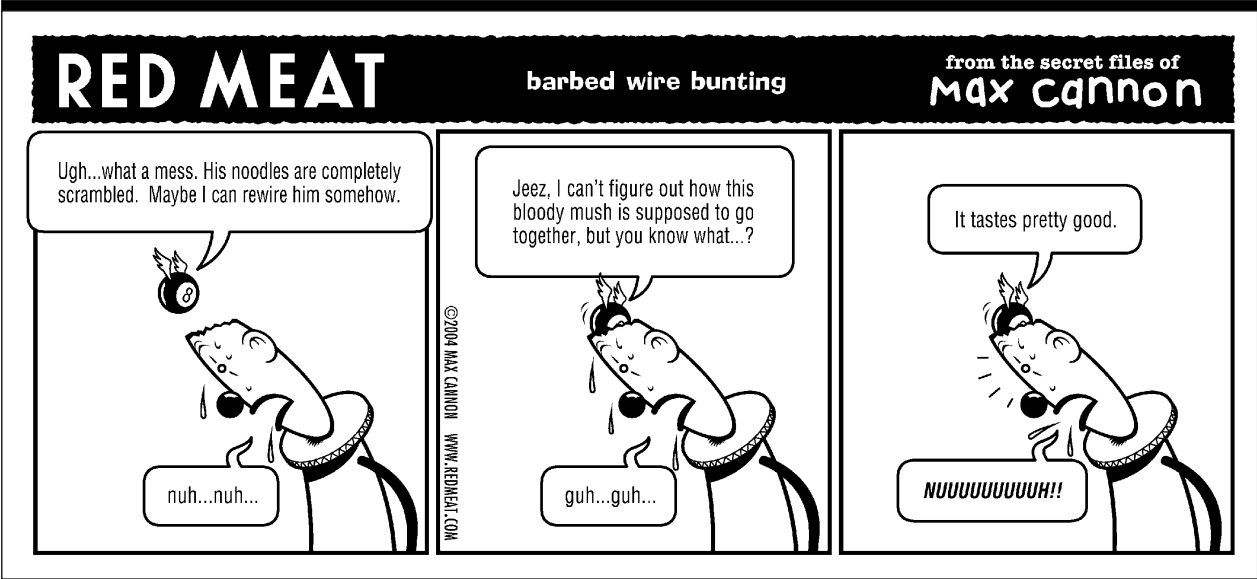
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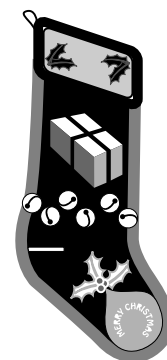
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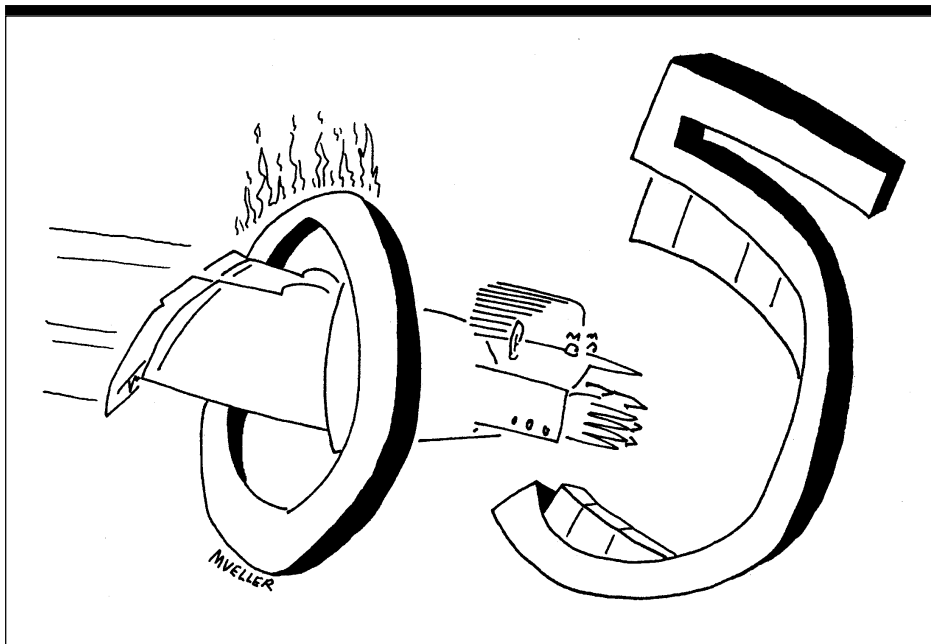
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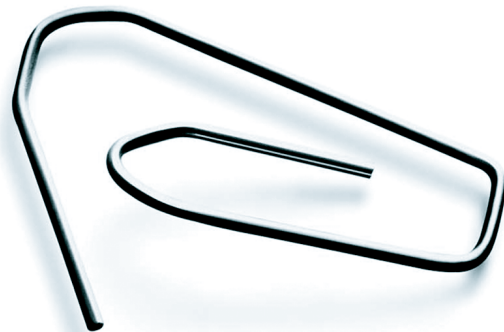
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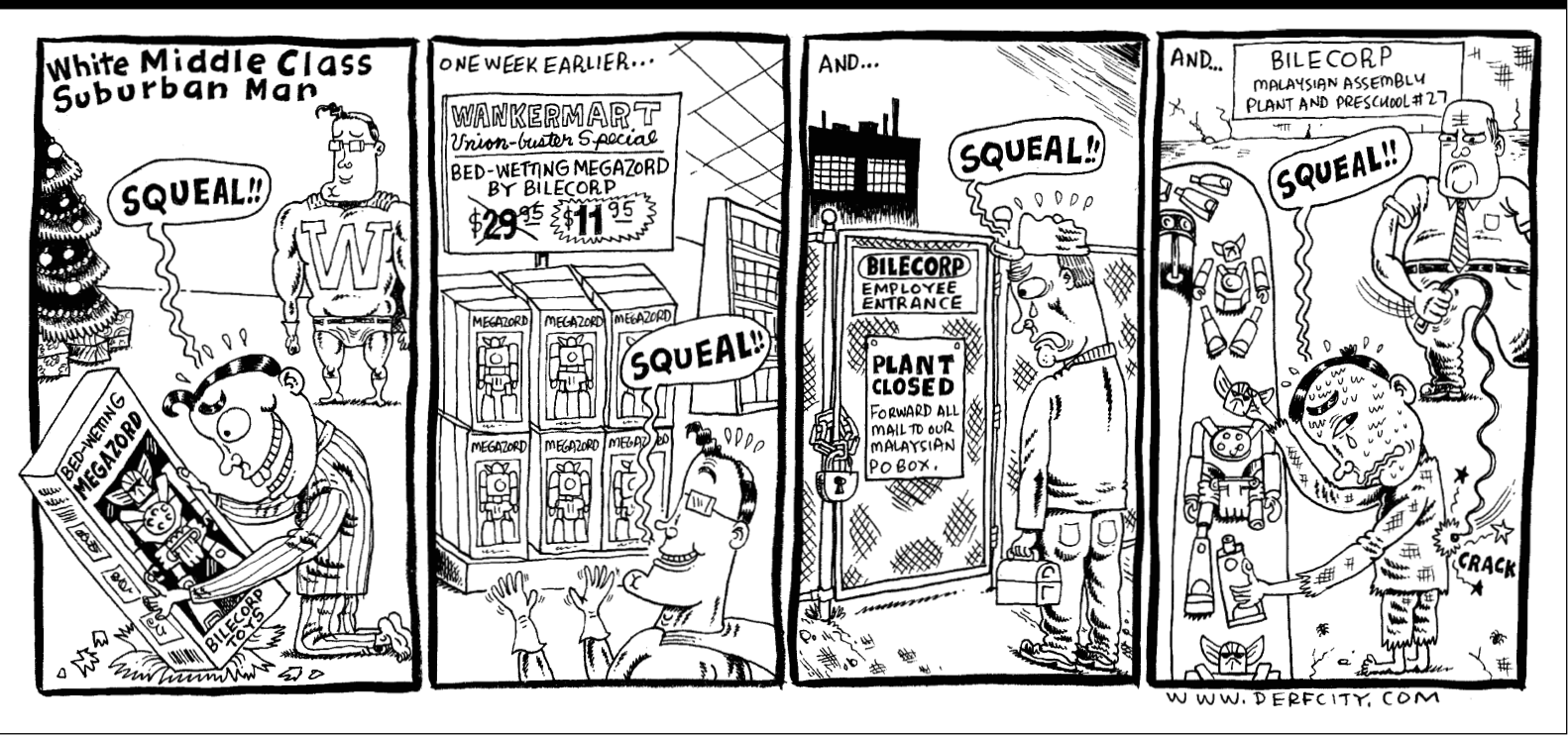
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### Across

- Fancy-schmancy
- One who might be found at home
- Removed, as a tooth
- Mixed bag
- Hippie's home
- Freud's home
- Announcement just before filming a charged particle?
- The blahs
- It starts in juini
- "Shame on you"
- \_\_\_\_\_ school
- Prefix with violet
- The study of past relationships?
- Take a position
- \_\_\_\_\_ Zion church
- Symbol of gentleness
- Got into port?
- Become a more accepting person?
- Hog the mirror
- Jared of "Alexander"
- Holm who played Bilbo Baggins
- "Auld Lang \_\_\_\_\_"
- Where to find "g" in the English alphabet?
- Fair offers?
- Thom McAn spec
- www.duke.\_\_\_\_\_
- Witty remark
- Suggestion box fill
- Apt title for this puzzle
- Kind of diet
- One of a Disney septet
- Jacob's brother
- Layouts
- First name with Schmo or Blow
- Kosovo war participant

### Down

- Gdansk resident
- Lena of "Chocolat"
- Communicate by hand
- Sounds of yawning
- Raises
- TV comedian Bernie
- Modern electronic organizer, for short
- Actress Mimieux
- Network, for example
- Its website is www.arts.gov
- Put in stitches?
- Baseball's Slaughter
- Like a dungeon
- Father's Day gift, maybe

- A Spice Girl
- Anthropologist Fossey
- Opens, in a way
- Georgia's locale
- University associated with the Carter Center
- Marks, as a survey square
- Hwy. mishap respondent
- Nonprotruding navel
- Coffee for late at night
- Paradise lost?
- View from Lucerne
- Placed a 2004 vote for Ralph Nader in Pennsylvania, say
- Retired, as a prof.
- General in gray
- To be, to Balzac
- Accepts, as a resolution
- Big bash
- Labyrinth walls
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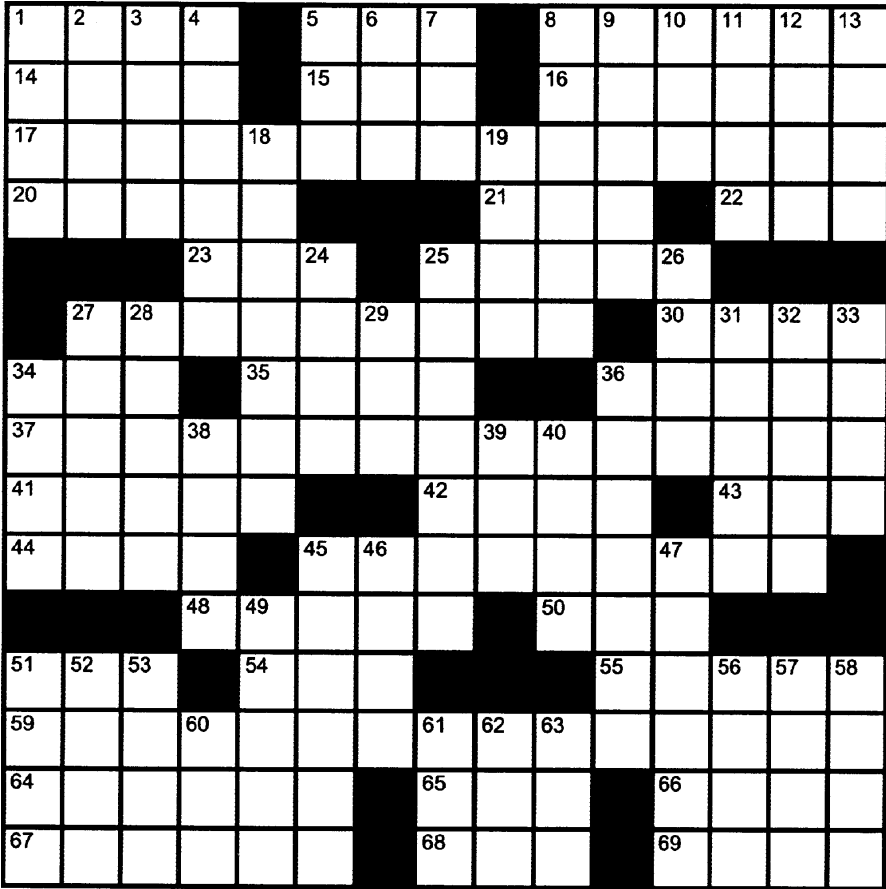
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Of the 86 entrants, 82 were correct. The winners are:

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**CUTE, COMPLETE, COMPACT,** classy chassis requires experienced, intelligent, safe, white, non-smoker, 56-66 driver for miles and smiles of fun, love, romance, sharing life, happiness, contentment. (1/12) ☎33800

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**KISSIN IS FUN.** Lookin for a secure stable man to love and share life with. I believe in true love and closeness. (1/12) ☎33810

**IMAGINE KATIE COURIC** at 61. Playful, healthy, active, attractive, retired professional, 5'3'-1/2", 118lbs. You are healthy, active, attractive, financially secure. Seeking friends, possible relationship. (1/5) ☎33773

**NEW TO EACH OTHER** in the new year. Very attractive, 52, North County nonsmoker. Seeking alive, fun, tallish, good-looking male for romance, travel, beach, kisses. (1/5) ☎33779

**PRETTY BLACK FEMALE,** 5'2", full-figured Christian. Seeking sincere male for friendship, dating, movies, long walks. (1/12) ☎33791

**ATTRACTIVE FILIPINO WIDOW,** 59, sexy, educated, secure homeowner. Enjoys dancing, travel, dining, cuddling, movies. Will kiss away your lonely nights. Seeks tall, white, handsome, financially secure gentleman. (1/12) ☎33808

**THIS EXOTIC, ATTRACTIVE,** smart, fit, mysterious woman is looking for a playmate, 55-65 years old. (1/5) ☎33771

**36-YEAR-OLD QUALITY LADY** seeks physically fit, kind gentleman, 34-46 years, for lasting relationship. I'm brunette with blue eyes and attractive. Serious responses. (1/5) ☎33777

**ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE,** 50, seeks male for romantic companionship, friendship, shared moments. Sensitiveness to individual interest important. Race is open, prefer tall, nonsmoker, 35-55. (1/12) ☎33804

**SENSUAL, ATTRACTIVE,** loving, youthful lady, 5'6", trim, athletic, enjoys outdoors. Seeking tall, healthy male, 55-68, wanting to blend our many nice

qualities for lasting relationship. (1/5) ☎33765

**HAVEN'T GOT A CLUE.** Looking for a compatible partner. I'm 58, tall, slender, attractive, nonsmoker, Jewish. Enjoy walks, movies, dining, friendship and sharing fun times. (1/5) ☎33780

**EUROPEAN EDUCATED,** gorgeous petite. Seeking successful, truthful, generous, educated, anti-war, stylish, monogamous, (com)passionate, no baggage man, friendship, sportive. No previous kids, spiritual, nonreligious, 37-49, 5'9"+. (1/12) ☎33809

**HISTORIC ROUTE 66/WOMAN.** Was good looking and fun loving then, am now. Please be Caucasian, in my time zone, active. My motor is running! (1/12) ☎33793

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**RESCUE ME IN NORTH COUNTY.** I'm starving for attention, friendship. Monogamous, rebuilding after 10 year divorce. White, active, 52, fun(ny), handsome gentleman. Call please. (1/12) ☎33489

**TALL, SLIM, ROMANTIC** engineer seeks woman of insight, 40-50, modest, financial dreams. Start with walks, conversation, tennis, swimming, work up to dancing, back rubs, etc. (1/5) ☎33462

**YOUNG 65, ROMANTIC.** East County. Great shape, nonsmoker, nice guy, good looking, silver hair. Share life, love, music, movies, ideas. Seeking voluptuous, 5'5"ish soul mate. (1/12) ☎33488

**PENASQUITOS, RETIRED,** white, Virgo, 67, 5'11", 170lbs., spiritual. Enjoy yoga, meditation, exercise, outdoors, gardening. Seeking water sign with similar interests for lasting relationship with love. (1/5) ☎33437

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years of annual flooding...including the “Great Flood” of 1862 that took away the Old Town grave of Mrs. Judson Ames (wife of the proprietor/editor of the *San Diego Herald*, this town’s first newspaper).  
— by Robert Mizrachi

**OLD GEEZER, 80s.** Seeking chick, 70s-80s, for friendship, companionship, possible long relationship. Love good music, foods, wines, cruises, travel to all enjoyable destinations on earth. (1/5) ☎33435

**APPEALING TO MY BEAUTIFUL** black goddess: This attractive, white male professional, age 42-waits you with romance and respect! (1/5) ☎33440

**SPIRITUAL, ROMANTIC,** sensual man in search of unique Asian woman, 30-45, humble, pretty smile, affectionate, well formed for relationship of passion, intimacy, growth. (1/12) ☎33482

**HANDSOME, SEXY, SUCCESSFUL** executive, 60, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting committed relationship. (1/12) ☎33467

**68, GOOD NATURED.** Like to travel, movies. Am healthy, active, secure, live in La Mesa. Looking for quality time with a nice lady. (1/12) ☎33485

**LIGHTNING SEEKING THUNDER.** 57, 5'11", 175lbs., exercise a lot, plentiful hair, property manager, MA degree. Seeking shapely, good legs, 45-60, successful, still seeking right fit. (1/5) ☎33447

**HIGH REGARD FOR WOMEN** including equal treatment. Unselfish, sensitive, personable, adventurous, liberal, well travelled. Music, arts, politics, tennis, outdoor adventures, animals. Agnostic. 6'1". Young 59. (1/12) ☎33478

**FUN LOVING, AFFECTIONATE,** educated, 5'8", athletic gentleman. Looking for nonsmoker, slim, medium build, cuddly, 50s, 5'-5'6" female for conversation, outings, beaches, music, movies, home, love? (1/5) ☎33449

**SINCERELY SEEKING** a quality relationship. I'm 56, 5'3", 145lbs., good looking. I love music, walking, nature, cats, and fun at home. La Mesa please. (1/12) ☎33479

**36, 6', WHITE MALE.** Interests are cool dive bars, Cajun food, vampire folklore, collecting rare records, anything vintage, classic horror movies, jazz, meeting freaky people. (1/5) ☎33444

**ROMANTIC LOOKING** for love, 49, 5'6", construction worker desires friendly, honest, sincere lady who enjoys outdoor travel for lasting relationship. Age/race open. (1/12) ☎33469

**THIS BLIND DATE** will be the best one you ever had! Attractive, humorous, fit, Latin, 38, young looking. Searching for a passionate, attractive, fun lady! (1/5) ☎33431

**REAL LOVE.** African-American male, 42, seeks white female, 40-50 years of age for serious one-on-one relationship. Serious only reply please. (1/12) ☎33476

**LIKE TATTOOS AND HARLEYS.** I'm looking for you, good-hearted biker. Must be fit, nonsmoker. Let's enjoy life together. Call me. (1/12) ☎33465

**ITALIAN, 45, HARD WORKER.** Seeking lady, long term relationship. Race/age open. No kids, nonsmoker/games, enjoy music, romantic dining, sports. Call me. Ciao bella. (1/5) ☎33450

**HANDSOME, ATHLETIC, 37,** 160lbs., open minded, caring, romantic, outgoing. Looking for sexy, passionate, kind woman, any age/race, for some great times. Nonsmoker/drugs. Call. (1/5) ☎33443

**Happy Holidayze**

43, 5'11", 190lbs., open, honest, energetic male into working out, walking, movies, cooking and adventure. Seeking active, balanced, caring female. Sense of humor a must. (1/12) ☎33464

**EAST COUNTY SEEKS** sexy, fit, Christian woman, nonsmoker, no kids, 47-54. Me: 6', 190lbs., custom motorcycle and homeowner, loving, caring, stable. (1/5) ☎33452

**OUTDOORSY FEMININE** lady needed. Me: 45, act 25, 5'8", 165lbs., honest, reliable, casual. You: ideas, motivating, one-man woman, nonsmoker. Ready for caring, sharing relationship. (1/5) ☎33434

**SINGLE HISPANIC,** 5'9", 29, looking for females to meet 25-55 of age. I like movies, going out, and walks on beach. Open minded. (1/5) ☎33453

**SUCCESSFUL EUROPEAN,** intelligent, handsome, charming and emotionally stable, wishes to make happy a sensitive, attractive and educated lady in her 30s. (1/12) ☎33487

**EAST COUNTY, TALL,** handsome, 50 years, nonsmoker, Caucasian. Loves outdoors, movies, fun, animals. Seeking tall, attractive, nonsmoking, affectionate, 40-50 year old to enjoy life with. (1/12) ☎33475

**KARAOKE SINGER, CONTRACTOR,** 45, tired of wowing the crowd but always going home alone. Can you relate? Looking for singer my age or close enough. (1/5) ☎33441

**TALL, LOVING, AFFECTIONATE,** attractive white male, 53, financially secure, easygoing, romantic, sensitive, passionate, sensual. Seeking female, any age, for romance, affection, intimacy, closeness, togetherness, love. (1/12) ☎33466

**ROSES OR CARNATIONS?** Dining out, movies, walks at the beach, parks or zoo? Leave me a message. Prefer African-American but will answer all messages. (1/5) ☎33432

**DIVORCED, WHITE, 50, 5'10",** muscular, kind, health-minded, enjoy travel, conversation, theater, dancing, walking, swimming, quiet times. Seeking female counterpart today for whatever develops. (1/12) ☎33470

**NICE GUY, 53, SEEKS** nice girl, 45-49, slender, smart, playful, nonsmoker, for all kinds of stuff to laugh at, enjoy, remember, love. Call now. (1/5) ☎33459

**MARRY ME!** I'm 39, 5'10", 172lbs., handsome, healthy, always exciting, hardworking, dependable homeowner, with nice body/smile. Seeking relationship or marriage with fun, friendly female. (1/12) ☎33472

**AFFECTIONATE, ROMANTIC,** monogamous, biracial African-American and white, 65, 6'4", 220lbs., financially secure. Seeking lifetime relationship with white female. Home, dancing, travel, fun, more. (1/5) ☎33456

**I AM 58.** Are you adventurous, like to walk on the beach, clubs for dancing, and fun loving? Let's hook up! Leave e-mail or phone number. (1/5) ☎33457

**COLORFUL GREEN/BLUE EYES,** affectionate, attractive, unencumbered, degreed professional, 40, 6'1", 215lbs., German/Irish. Seeking attractive, intelligent, unencumbered white female, 24-34, possessing inner/outer beauty. (1/12) ☎33491

**EAST COUNTY GUY** seeks lady. Friendship leading to long term. Girl next door, hugs, kisses, romance, outdoor type. Myself early 60s. (1/5) ☎33438

**GOOD-LOOKING, SMART,** stable, successful, unencumbered, nice guy, approximately 6', 180lbs., 47. Seeking slender, single, highly educated, nurturing beauty, 30-43, for balanced, long-term relationship. (1/12) ☎33477

**INQUISITIVE, DISCERNING,** 55, well read, traveled, principled, nice looking, unencumbered, considerate, aesthetic, sensual, conversant. Desires smart, secure, long term, equal. (1/5) ☎33460

**HONEST, CARING, WHITE,** 49, 5'2", red/blue. Seeking 30-48, attractive lady, friendship/dating. Likes: jazz, metal, football, animals; nonsmoker/drinker. Hispanic or American Indian preferred. (1/12) ☎33468

**VERY YOUNG 60ISH,** tall, handsome, white male, divorced father, seeks attractive, generous, sexy woman. Enjoy intimate, romantic evenings, kisses, hugs, soft music, me, wine. (1/5) ☎33454

**YOUTHFUL 75, SHARING LIFE,** movies, theatre, dining, dancing, caring conversation with compassionate, nonsmoking, healthy lady. Radius 15 miles around Lakeside. Seeking lady for sharing. (1/12) ☎33484

**GENTLEMAN, KIND, 50s,** addicted to live music, indie films, basketball, eats all, languages. Are you related to Scarlett Begonias, 45-65? Let's listen to music, play. (1/5) ☎33463

**47 YEARS YOUNG,** East County. In search of a beautiful woman with honesty and lust within her heart. Me: 5'8", 185lbs., green eyes, brown hair. (1/12) ☎33474

**PASSIONATE, OPEN MINDED,** sense of humor, honest, spiritual, 5'8", 170lbs., blue/grey. Enjoy coffeehouses, stimulating conversation, foreign films, rock music, nature walks. Seeking friendship relationship. (1/12) ☎33471

**CHARMING, HANDSOME, TALL,** confident, romantic, fun loving, 46. Looking for that special lady for intimate and lasting relationship. Affectionate, loyal, responsible. Healthy, slender, pretty. Nonsmoking. (1/5) ☎33446

**AVERAGE JOE NEEDS JANE** for tennis and cocktails. Call Mike for fun and games. (1/12) ☎33486

**SLENDER, 6'1", FIT, FUN,** degreed, responsible, father, humorous, mannered, varied interests. You: 42-52, bright, fun, trim, feminine, available, nonsmoker; conversation, dinners, quiet times, movies, dance. (1/5) ☎33445

**DIM WITTED CAUCASIAN** woman who resembles blonde in jokes wanted by divorced Caucasian male, mid-60s, who can not find woman of his dreams. (1/5) ☎33461

**NEW YEAR'S KISS!** 33, 5'4", professional, curvy, happy, fun, affectionate, caring, active woman seeks nice guy 29-43, educated, nonsmoking, honest, upbeat, communicative, for sincere relationship. (1/5) ☎33783

**LARGE WHITE FEMALE** wanted. Attractive, intelligent black artist seeks devoted, passionate, monogamous relationship with you. Be large, proportioned, attractive and seeking a permanent relationship. (1/5) ☎33433

**SINGLE WHITE MALE, 39, 5'10",** blonde/blue, average build. Enjoy sports, travel, theme parks, long drives. Seeking attractive, unencumbered, white female, 25-55 with similar interests. (1/5) ☎33436

**CAUCASIAN, 45,** athletic, social, educated, communicative, cultured, traveled. Speaks French, Spanish. Enjoys road trips, hiking, camping, motorcycles, staying fit, music, gardening, sailing, skiing, mountain biking. (1/12) ☎33490

**TALL WHITE MALE** seeks pretty black female for fun, company. Nice legs and

great wit a plus! Do you like Sade? Well, Adu. Well, adieu! (1/5) ☎33439

**MISSION BAY, CAUCASIAN,** widower, 60s, 5'7", 165lbs., secured homeowner. Enjoys music, dancing, cooking, glass wine, quiet times. Seeking attractive, affectionate lady, under 65, for dating. (1/5) ☎33442

**ARE YOU OVERWEIGHT** or fat, but not obese, fair looking, feminine, active, happy, 25-50 female seeking a fair looking, fit, loveable, 40, black male? (1/5) ☎33451

**ON A QUEST TO FIND** my mate. I'm healthy, grounded, athletic, realistic expectations. 5'9", 170lbs., 65. Like the outdoors, kayaking, bicycling, coffee, wine. Age open. (1/5) ☎33458

**ARTISTIC BUM, 52,** slim, nature lover. Into: quiet, plants, dogs, graphic design, motorcycles, guitars, exercise, singing, sunsets, etc. Seeking female to compliment life with! (1/12) ☎33483

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**LA COSTA.** \$650, 1/2 utilities, deposit. Bedroom/private bath in 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Quiet neighborhood. Nonsmoking/pets. Washer/dryer, pool, jacuzzi. Larry, 760-929-0353.

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**OCEAN BEACH/POINT LOMA.** \$650. Quiet, clean furnished bedroom/bath. Parking, view, gated. 1/2 utilities. Fireplace, cable, laundry, skylight. Near shops, YMCA, bus, beach. 619-546-5700.

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**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$680. Room for rent. Close to bay, beach. Washer/dryer, yard, off-street parking, cable, internet, clean, quiet. 858-483-1223.

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**PARADISE HILLS/BONITA.** \$550. Share large 2-story townhome. Includes own bathroom, has washer/dryer, own parking space, pool, jacuzzi, tennis courts. Colleen, 619-470-7295.

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**SANTEE.** \$425 plus utilities. Female only to share newer 4 bedroom, clean, quiet house. Pool, jacuzzi. No smoking, no pets. Near 125 and 52. Mike, 619-301-9427, 619-596-2249.

**SANTEE.** \$600. Large bedroom in 3 bedroom house. Washer/dryer. Includes all utilities. No drugs or alcohol. Smoke outside. Share bath and kitchen. Garage, 619-258-0666.

**SANTEE.** Close to H-52 and H-125. Share 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex with garage. 1/2 utilities. \$500/month. Available 1/1. 619-448-0540; 619-235-2415, x32214.

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**SOLANA BEACH/DEL MAR.** \$850. Share renovated beach condo with private bath, walk-in closet. Fully furnished. Walk to beach. For nonsmoker. No pets. 619-890-6459.

**SOLANA BEACH/DEL MAR.** \$750, includes utilities, female preferred. Large condo, across from beach, private room/bathroom, full amenities, laundry, available immediately. 619-235-2415, x26750.

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**BAY PARK/CLAIREMONT.** \$1995, 3 bedroom, 2 bath house, remodeled, canyon view, off-street parking, storage, fireplace, large family room, washer/dryer. Steve Richards Realty, 858-483-2844.

**BONSALL.** \$1995. Level 2+ acres, 2 master bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, fireplace, 4-car garage. Avocados, oranges and room to roam. 4147 Kari Lane. 760-822-1508.

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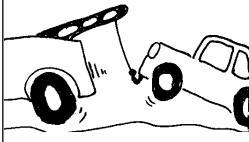
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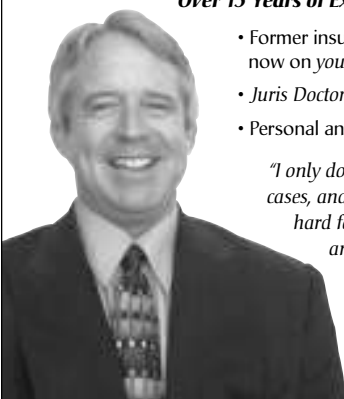
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**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Newly refurbished upper unit with view. Near USD, cat OK. 5946 Lauretta Street #12. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**FASHION VALLEY/USD.** \$850 rent. \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom apartment. No pets. At 1340 Eureka Street #23. Agent, 619-298-5820.

**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1150 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. No pets. At 1330 Eureka Street #1. Agent, 619-298-5820.

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**HILLCREST.** \$900. Cozy 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment in quiet gated community. Stove, refrigerator. No pets. 1224 Pennsylvania Avenue #1. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**HILLCREST/UPTOWN.** Studio, \$750. 1 bedrooms, \$850/up. 2 bedroom, \$1195/up. Secluded location beside lush canyon on "No Through Street." Controlled access, elevator, pool, covered off-street gated parking, poolside barbecue, recreation room/television/laundry room. No pets. Park View Apartments, 3700 Tenth Avenue. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2015](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2015). 619-298-6768. [ParkViewApts@att.net](http://ParkViewApts@att.net).

**HILLCREST/NORTH PARK.** \$1150-1200. Spacious 2 bedroom, newer carpet, appliances, balcony, laundry, courtyard, subterranean parking. 619-886-3147.

**HILLCREST/UPTOWN.** \$1045, 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Cute tiled kitchen and bath, walk-in closet! Laundry, parking on site. Very quiet. Move-in special! 3620 Georgia. Cogan Properties, 619-279-2183.

**HILLCREST/UPTOWN.** 2 bedroom, \$1295/up. Great move-in specials! Great location. Elevator. Pool. Laundry. Lovely courtyard. Gym. Sauna. Barbecue. Off-street parking. No pets. Hillcrest Towers. 1030 Robinson Avenue. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2066](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2066). 619-295-9673.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, laundry. Good location! Cat OK. 4430 North Avenue. 858-273-6429.

**HILLCREST/NORTH PARK.** \$1100, \$900 first month, \$600 deposit. Spacious 2 bedroom. Very clean, light, upstairs, gated, laundry. 4152 Alabama Street. 619-315-5938.

**HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS.** 2 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1045. Sunny upper half of Victorian house. New carpet. Cat OK. 858-273-6429.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$750. Great 1 bedroom cottage. Nicely landscaped courtyard with lawn/plants. Great area. Very quiet. 4638 North Avenue (off Park Blvd.), 858-272-1550.

**HILLCREST/MISSION HILLS.** \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath in attractive gated building near UCSD Medical Center. No pets. 4066 Albatross. Torrey Pines Property Management, 619-692-1837.

**HILLCREST/UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS.** \$795. Charming 1 bedroom, 1 bath garden apartment. Quiet park-like setting, street parking. Cat OK. 4566 Maryland. 619-298-4444.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$1075, 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. 1189 Ebony Avenue. Available December. Upstairs. Cat OK. Off street parking. Laundry facilities. [www.homes4rent.com](http://www.homes4rent.com). Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$750. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Carpet. Storage. Courtyard. Laundry on-site. Gated. \$600 deposit. 750 11th Street. 619-423-4610.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** 2 bedroom townhouses and ground floor units available. Steps to beach! Ocean and mountain views, fireplace, community pool. \$1095-\$1500. Agent. Bill, 619-575-1674.

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$1050. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Washer/dryer, secured parking. 823 13th Street. McKee, 619-435-2700. [www.mckeecompany.com](http://www.mckeecompany.com).

**IMPERIAL BEACH.** \$795, Deluxe 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Very nice property with courtyard. Pool. No pets. 1445 Grove Avenue. Torrey Pines Property Management. 619-575-0778.

**KENSINGTON.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bathroom apartment plus den. All amenities. Security building, laundry, off-street parking. Nice convenient location. No pets. Please call 858-456-2098.

**KENSINGTON.** \$750. Cute 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage. Hardwood floors, ceramic tile, gated courtyard, laundry. No pets/smoking. 4412 41st Street. 619-251-4355; Agent, 619-685-3960.

**KENSINGTON.** \$725. 1 bedroom. New carpet and paint. Off-street parking. Laundry. 4479 Marlborough. Near Adams Avenue. 858-756-8482 x4.

**KENSINGTON.** \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors. Very nice! Available 1/5/04. 4118 Adams Avenue #4. [www.cethron.com](http://www.cethron.com); 619-295-1100.

**KENSINGTON.** \$1115. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Great neighborhood, 9-month lease, gas paid. 5107 Marlborough. 858-483-3534, [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**LA COSTA/CARLSBAD.** \$1275-\$1325. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Prestigious La Costa community with views of golf course. Amenities include washer/dryer. Fireplace and central air conditioning with each apartment. 2385 Carlinga 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 Carlinga Way. Office open 7 days. 760-431-7575

**LA COSTA/CARLSBAD.** 1/2 off first month! 3 bedroom, 2 bath. \$1300. Quiet community, upstairs unit, vaulted ceilings. Cats OK with deposit, no dogs. Assigned parking. Available now. Gunney, 760-943-7590.

**LA COSTA/SAN ELIJO HILLS.** \$1650. 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 SHORES.** \$950, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Includes utilities and cable. Quiet area near UCSD, near beach. Available 1/1/05. \$850, studio available 3/1/05. 858-454-5414.

**LA JOLLA** Village Tennis Club tri-level condo. Near UTC. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. New carpet. Hardwood. Fireplace. Laundry. 2-car garage. Great location! \$1995. 602-549-2279.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE** Square, \$1850. Near UCSD, west of I-5. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car attached garage. Dishwasher, washer/dryer. Pool/spa. Pets OK. 858-205-0493.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** UCSD area. Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse, fireplace, 2-car garage, pool, jacuzzi, \$2100 deposit, \$2100/month. Year lease. 858-452-2492.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** Great location! 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet. Stove/refrigerator. Washer/dryer. Small yard. Parking. Available now. \$1375. 7349 Fay Avenue. 619-339-8516.

**LA JOLLA VILLAGE.** Great location! 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove/refrigerator. Washer/dryer. Patio. Parking. \$1875. 7347 Fay Avenue. Available 2/1/05. 619-339-8516.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1400. 2 bedroom. \$350 off! Walk to UCSD, shops. Balcony. Garden window. No pets. Available now. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive #11. 858-457-4509.

**LA JOLLA.** Starting at \$981 and \$1333. 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.sdreader.com/rent/2006](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2006) or call 858-452-3620.

**LA JOLLA.** \$900. Studio, charming, minutes from beach, on-site laundry. 396 Kolmar #3. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**LA JOLLA.** Studio. Amazing location 1 block to ocean in heart of Village on Prospect! Kitchen with appliances. Walk-in closet, laundry. \$1095-\$1375, includes utilities. 619-645-8082.

**LA JOLLA.** New Year resolution: Save on deals! Studios, 1 and 2 bedroom, 1/2 block from ocean! Laundry, pool, tropical. \$998/up. 858-536-1900.

**LA JOLLA.** \$2550. 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 1550-square-foot townhome. Fireplace, balcony, dishwasher, washer/dryer. 2-car parking in garage. Boone Properties, 858-274-6856. [www.booneproperties.com](http://www.booneproperties.com).

**LA JOLLA.** \$1575. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Downstairs apartment in 5-plex. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave. Parking. Remodeled unit. Cat OK with additional \$300 deposit. Close to Windansea. Available now. 6236 Dowling. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker, [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com).

**LA JOLLA.** \$2650. 3 bedroom, 3 bath trilevel townhouse, 2-car garage. Pool, spa and tennis in complex. Call Natalie or Charles at Younie Company Real Estate, 858-454-3023.

**LA JOLLA.** In Village. \$1790. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Fireplace, Washer/dryer. 2 parking. Gated entry. 7601 Eads. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1995. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath corner condo with a single car garage in the gorgeous Renaissance. Condo comes with fireplace, full-size washer/dryer in unit, dishwasher, air conditioning, large patio, community pool and spa, and much more! A must see! 7245 Calabria Court #49. 858-270-5500.

**LA JOLLA.** Studio, \$950. Washer/dryer. Blocks to beach. Available now. Call Natalie, Younie Company Real Estate, 858-454-3023.

**LA JOLLA.** Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment in small complex. 2 books from the beach in La Jolla. \$1300. 6631-A La Jolla Boulevard. Call Phillip at 619-337-5275.

**LA JOLLA.** \$900. Studio, charming, minutes from beach, on-site laundry. 396 Kolmar #3. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**LA JOLLA/MT. SOLEDAD.** \$2500. Townhome, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage, pool/spa, fireplace, quiet planned community, single level. 858-459-2059 or page 858-494-2083.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Open house Sunday, 12-3pm. Construction special, 1 month free rent! Brand new Mediterranean community. Studios, 1, 2, 3 bedrooms from \$1150. Patios/balconies. Full-size washer/dryer. Cable/Internet. Fitness center. Racquetball. Aerobics. Pools. Hot tubs. Parking. La Jolla Crossroads, 9085 Judicial Drive. Call 1-866-829-8271. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2112](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2112).

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Just remodeled, 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. New appliances, garage, pool, yard, fireplace. Available now. Must see! \$2490. 858-405-6234.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$2500. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath condo. Attached 2-car garage, washer/dryer, new kitchen appliances, granite countertops, fireplace. Close to all. 858-699-7940.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Garage, patio, washer/dryer, white and bright. Close to UCSD, freeways, shopping, entertainment. Elena, 858-449-1915.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1750. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 2-level townhome. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, large patio, carport, storage. Pool/spa, UCSD close. Pets negotiable. 949-374-2983; 619-804-8350.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Up to \$500 off first month! Studio, 1, 2, 3 bedroom Italian style apartments from \$1200! Newly renovated. Granite counters. Berber carpet, crown molding, new appliances, washer/dryer. Walk-in closet. Fitness center. Movie theater. Near shopping. I-5/805. Lush landscaping. 4 pools, spas. Parking. 1-888-218-0377. [www.sdreader.com/rent/1051](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/1051).

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1595. Woodlands. Beautiful 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhouse. Balcony, pool, fireplace, wood floors, washer/dryer hookups, patio, garage. Close to all. 858-245-0870.

**KITTEN AND CATS** available for adoption. Rescue House, [www.rescuehouse.org](http://www.rescuehouse.org) or 760-591-1211.

**KITTENS** for adoption. Two girls, white with black markings. These 16-week-old babies are very healthy and happy. They are spayed, leukemia/FIV negative, also have shots, no fleas/worms. Very friendly. Donation. 619-236-0026.

**KITTENS.** Free, born feral, 8 months old now and socialized. Spayed/neutered, immunized. One Tortoise female, two Tuxedo males, one black/white male. Tony, 619-462-0422.

**LOST GERMAN SHEPARD!** "Rex," last seen Grantville/Mission Gorge/I-8 area. Red harness and choke chain. \$100 reward. 858-274-4144 or weekdays 619-281-5585.

**MICE.** Fancy mice with or without cages from \$5-\$25. Pet homes only. 619-461-4939.

**PUPPIES, GOLDEN RETRIEVER.** Adorable, loving, ready for New Year! Medium golden. First shots/dewormed. Registered. Parents on premises. 4 males, 2 females. \$500-\$600. 858-277-0032/228-249-1908.

**PUPPY.** American Bull Dog. Registered. Good disposition, lovable, trainable and great family pet. Brown, brindle and white, white, 8 males, 5 females, \$750. 951-652-9344.

**SNAKE TANK,** 37"x17", was \$110, good condition, asking \$50. 760-445-0615.

**WILDLIFE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Get to learn about, work with, rehabilitate and when ready, return back to their natural environment. Beautiful birds, racoons, opossums, etc. Must be 18+. Lakeside area. Emergency Wildlife Rescue, 619-443-3692.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Fully upgraded upstairs condo. Spacious, bright, vaulted ceilings. Attached garage, pool. Very quiet. Close to shopping, freeways. 6214 Agee Street. 619-261-0815.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1350. 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 level top floor unit in 2 story building. 2-car garage. Fireplace. Washer/dryer. Refrigerator. Available now. Call Coldwell Banker Property Management, 858-488-2228.

**LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA.** \$3500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Oceanfront penthouse. Newly remodeled with balcony, fireplace and garage. 216 Rosemont. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-699-3851 for showing.

**LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA.** \$1250. 1 bedroom, 1 bath cottage-style apartment. 1 block to beach. Fireplace. No pets. 344 Rosemont. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

**LA MESA** on Lake Murray, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. View. Pools. Tennis. Deck. Laundry. Parking. No smoking/pets. \$1350. 619-461-0315.

**LA MESA.** \$800. Low deposit! 1 bedroom, 1 bath spacious apartment homes. Quiet, peaceful living within lush, beautiful landscaping and wide open spaces. Excellent location, sparkling heated pools, soothing spas, lighted tennis court. Water, trash, recycling included in rent. No pets. Baltimore Properties, 5353 Baltimore Drive, 619-466-8517. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2074](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2074).

**LA MESA.** \$925 plus move-in special! Spacious 1 bedroom. Newly renovated community. Air conditioning. Patio/balcony. New appliances. Large closets. Berber carpet. Wood flooring. Fitness center. Pool. Spa. Saunas. Laundry. Near trolley, Grossmont Mall, SDSU, 32nd Street, Miramar. Cat friendly. Model open! Villas at La Mesa, 8515 Chloe Avenue. 619-460-7955. [www.sdreader.com/rent/2054](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2054).

**LA MESA.** \$745. Extra large studio apartment. Laundry, off-street parking, on-site manager. 619-303-0895.

**LA MESA.** \$750, studio, \$890, 1 bedroom. Low deposits. Carport space, storage. Laundry. Pool. Gated. No pets. 5365 Marengo Avenue. 619-698-7926.

**LA MESA.** \$100+ move-in special. Beautiful complex! 1 bedroom, \$750. Huge 2 bedroom, 2 bath luxury apartment for \$950. \$500 deposit. Upgraded units with pool, dishwasher, gated, air conditioning, laundry on site. Assigned parking. Carports available. 7481 Mohawk Street. Call 619-466-6149.

**LA MESA.** \$925, 2 bedroom, with garage, balcony. \$600 off! Dishwasher. Blinds. Intercom entry. Laundry. 4311 Parks Avenue. 619-460-5406.

**LA MESA.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry on site, easy access to freeway. Available 1/5/05. 4763 Jessie Avenue #6. 619-295-1100; [www.cethron.com](http://www.cethron.com).

**LA MESA.** \$800. Large, granny flat. Full bath, balcony, small yard, off-street covered parking. Very quiet area. Close to everything. 4790 Crowder Lane. 619-644-2610.

**LA MESA.** \$775. Nice 1 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Quiet cul-de-sac street. Parking. 5045 Woodyard. Drive by and call. Agent, 619-246-7715.

**LA MESA.** \$1075. Large 1 bedroom, upstairs. Totally remodeled condo in beautifully renovated complex near SDSU. Granite countertops, stainless steel appliances and maple cabinetry. Washer/dryer in unit. Gym, sauna and pool. Nonsmoker. Small pet. Call Melissa, 619-234-9090.

**LA MESA.** \$975. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet gated complex, air conditioning, on-site laundry. Upper unit. No pets. 4641 Date Avenue. Donna, 619-469-3809.

**LA MESA.** \$895. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath in courtyard setting. Excellent condition. No pets. \$400 move-in discount. 3717 69th Street. Torrey Pines Property Management, 619-583-0575.

**LA MESA.** \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Large grand room downstairs. 2-car garage. Community pool. Small front yard. Great view. 4782 Garfield Street #J. Call Bob Cota Realty 619-465-9934 for details.

**LA MESA.** \$1200. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Parking. Pet OK. 5115 73rd Street. 858-490-1600.

**LA MESA.** 1 and 2 bedrooms from \$866, tucked in quiet, park-like gardens. Newly renovated. Refreshing pool, laundry, air conditioning, barbecue. No pets. 619-464-7676.

**LA MESA.** Beautiful, peaceful La Mesa location. 1 bedroom, \$920/up. 2 bedroom, \$1150/up. Ask about move-in special! Air conditioning. Dishwasher. Laundry. Gym. Patio or balcony. Covered parking. Clubhouse, pool, spa, sauna. [VillaSangriaApts@att.net](mailto:VillaSangriaApts@att.net). Villa Sangria Apartments. 8633 La Mesa Boulevard. [www.sdreader.com/rent/1002](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/1002). 619-462-1633.

**LA MESA.** Like owning your own home! Large, 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. Air, dishwasher, laundry, private gated yard, pet friendly. Great location, across from Grossmont Center, freeways and Trolley. Must see! \$1335. 619-744-8889.

**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](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/1035).

**LA MESA/SDSU.** 1 bedroom, \$890/up. Ask about deposit specials. Secluded hillside convenient to all. Air conditioning. Dishwashers. Disposals. Patios/balconies. Exercise room. Laundry area. Clubhouse, billiards. Barbecue. Heated pool. Spa. Sauna. Month-to-month lease. [SouthridgeApts@att.net](mailto:SouthridgeApts@att.net). Southridge Apartments. 7200 Saranac Street. [www.sdreader.com/rent/1001](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/1001). 619-462-1940.

**LA MESA/SPRING VALLEY.** \$1375. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. Lovely neighborhood. 2 car garage. Private garden patio. Fireplace. Dishwasher. Central heat. Central air conditioning. Washer/dryer hookups. Homeowner's Association amenities. Available 12/1. 619-417-9670.

**LA MESA/CASA DE ORO.** Best value for your dollar! 3 bedroom, 2 baths from \$1325! 1 bedrooms from \$850! 2 bedrooms from \$1075. Elegant, sculptured flower gardens, fountains, gas lamps, park benches. Charming. New Orleans style community. Patios/balconies. Restricted access gates. Small pet OK. 3903 Conrad Drive. 619-462-1212. [www.sdreader.com/rent/1017](http://www.sdreader.com/rent/1017).

**LA MESA/COLLEGE AREA.** \$1200. Mint upper 2 bedroom, 2 bath, over 1054 square feet. Small complex. Pool, recreation area. 6927 Amherst #11. [www.TheEquityCompany.com](http://www.TheEquityCompany.com). 619-528-2337.

**MISSION BAY.** \$675. Spacious studio in superior location. Controlled access. No pets. 2821 Morena Boulevard. Torrey Pines Property Management, 619-275-1352.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1245. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Totally remodeled-new tile, fixtures, windows. Bright and airy. Steps to beach/bay. Year lease. Bettie, 619-307-0071.

**MISSION BEACH, NORTH.** \$1075. 1 bedroom cottage. Hardwood floors, wood deck, airy, bright. Murphy bed. Steps to the beach/bay. New appliances. Month-to-month. Agent, 858-488-4800.

**MISSION BEACH, SOUTH.** \$850. Cute studio. Parking. Year round. 100 feet to beach. Available now. 2826 Mission Boulevard. 858-272-9449.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1975. Charming 2 bedroom, 2 bath home. Very bright with large picture windows. Garage plus plenty of parking. Steps to beach/bay. Island Court. Year lease. Bettie, 619-307-0071.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$2495. 3833 Lamont Street, #3G. Panoramic Bay/Sea World/Downtown views! Interior laundry. Free rental/buying information by e-mail. Pictures at [www.SanDiegoRealtor.com](http://www.SanDiegoRealtor.com). Distinctive Properties RE/MAX. 858-755-8580.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$950/month, \$1000/ deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cute downstairs unit. Steps to beach/bay. Partially furnished. Off-street parking (1 space). Available 1/7/05. Coastal Choice Properties, 858-539-7433.

**MISSION BEACH.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 2 blocks from beach/bay. New paint/carpet. Affordable housing income requirements. \$975/month plus utilities, \$800 deposit. Leave message, 858-459-6670.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$895. Upper 1 bedroom apartment. Peek water view! Near bay! Parking. Very clean. Gas appliances. 847 Jamaica Court. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$725 studio. Steps to ocean and bay. Includes parking and utilities. Full kitchen. Very clean. 3665 Mission Boulevard. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**MISSION BEACH.** From \$850. 1/2 off first month's rent! Studios and 1 bedrooms, new paint, new carpet, very close to beach. 810 El Carmel Place. Penny Realty, 858-272-3900 x107.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$845. New 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, 200 yards from the ocean. Parking. Penny Realty, 858-272-3900 x107.

**MISSION BEACH/PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1150. Adorable 1 bedroom cottage duplex. Parking. Appliances. Laundry. Private patio. Steps to beach. 750 Wavecrest, across from Catamaran Hotel. 858-272-9547.

**MISSION BEACH, SOUTH.** \$795. Large studio. No pets. 1 building from beach. Share parking. Carpet/paint. Appliances. Nice. Quiet. 717 San Fernando Place. Agent, 619-275-3455.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1150. Sunny, upstairs 1 bedroom. Appliances, parking. Laundry on site. Steps to the beach. 746 Santa Rita Place, across from Catamaran Hotel. 858-272-9547.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1395, 2 bedroom, 1 bath and \$950 studio. Luxury apartments, all new inside. 3550 Bayside Walk. 858-483-3534; [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**MISSION BEACH.** 2 bedroom. \$1400, year round. 100 feet from bay. Dishwasher. Washer/dryer on site. Off-street parking. 3630 Bayside Lane. 619-888-6604.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1350. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex on Island Court, parking garage, appliances, kitchen/dining/living room, walk to beach. Pets OK. 619-429-8123.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with downtown/bay view, your balcony. Gated parking (2 spaces)/gated

complex. No pets. On-site laundry. 619-296-9393.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1100, 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath apartments. Quiet, near shopping and bus lines. Canyon view. Garage. No pets. 619-298-6436.

**MISSION HILLS.** 2 bedrooms with garage. \$1175. Nice, quiet neighborhood. Laundry facility on site. Nice yard. 619-234-7572.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1650. Charming 3 bedroom, 1 bath flat, covers entire upper floor of Craftsman triplex. Beautiful hardwood floors, fireplace, built-in cabinets, dining room, deck, yard, laundry. Clean/quiet, light/airy. No dogs. Nonsmoking. 619-291-0147.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1500. Elegant, spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Balcony. Skylights. Fireplace. Washer/dryer. Security building/parking. All appliances. Storage. Available 12/1. Call 619-246-8393; 619-233-5367.

**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.** \$1695-1750. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, balcony, view, fireplace, appliances, washer/dryer, air conditioning, 2-subterranean parkings. 619-886-3146.

**MISSION HILLS, NORTH.** \$675. Large studio. Quiet backyard unit with deck. View of bay/downtown. French doors. Coin laundry. No pets/smoking. 1775 Linwood St. 760-943-8852.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$800, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet townhouse-style apartments, private patio/balcony, pool, laundry, near bus stop, no pets. 4039 Brant Street #C, #E, #J. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**MISSION HILLS, SOUTH.** \$1100 with garage. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, new paint, carpet and great view. Laundry. No pets/smoking. 3021 Columbia Street. Agent, 619-685-3960.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1995, 3 bedroom, 3 bath. \$1095, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$735, small studio. All units have ocean views. 3826 Kettner Boulevard. 619-507-4172.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$650; utilities, cable, laundry, parking included! Small garden studio. Fully furnished single unit with French doors opening to patio/private backyard, firepit. Minimal kitchen. No pets/smoking. \$800 deposit. 619-295-4006.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, balcony, dining room, dishwasher. 3737 Keating Street. 858-483-3534; [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**MISSION HILLS.** \$775. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, second floor, spectacular view, parking, pool. 1767 Torrance. 858-483-3534; [www.cal-prop.com](http://www.cal-prop.com).

**MISSION HILLS, SOUTH.** \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, hardwood floors, view, garage. Cat OK. 3511 State Street. 858-273-6429.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$795. Spacious 1 bedroom with hardwood floors, Murphy bed, some utilities included, laundry on site, no pets. 630 West Washington. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$975. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with balcony. Carport parking. Laundry on site. New carpet, blinds and paint. No pets. 3671 and 3679 Keating. Torrey Pines Property Management, 619-546-5739.

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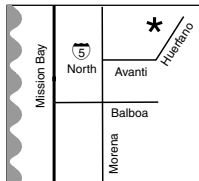


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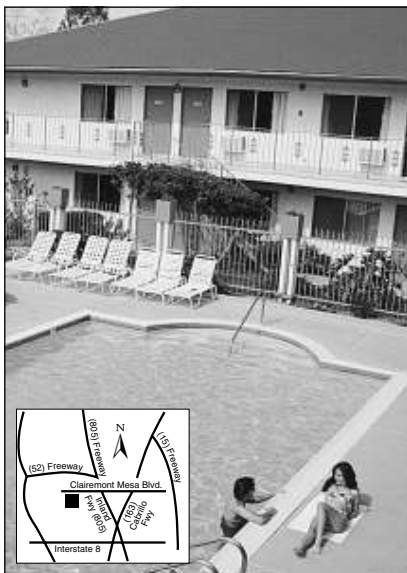
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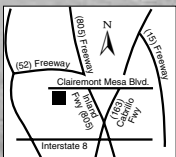


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**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Close to beach. Laundry on site. No pets. Available mid-January. 4972 Narragansett Avenue. [kandrproperties.com](http://kandrproperties.com). 858-490-1600.

**OCEAN BEACH.** Newly remodeled studios, \$825. 1 block to beach! Gated community, sparkling heated pool, spa, sauna, recreation room, exercise room, laundry, parking and more! Available now! Cats OK, no dogs. 4975 Del Monte. 619-221-8158, [www.rasnyder.com](http://www.rasnyder.com).

**OCEAN BEACH.** Newly remodeled 1 bedroom, \$975. \$200 off first month! Close to beach. Gated community, laundry, parking, bike room and more! 4929 Del Monte Avenue. Cats OK, no dogs. 619-221-8158, [www.rasnyder.com](http://www.rasnyder.com).

**OCEAN BEACH.** Spacious newly remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1400. \$250 off first month! Close to beach! New carpet, ceramic tile, and all appliances. Gated community, courtyard setting, laundry, parking and more! Cats OK. No dogs. 619-226-3171.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Refrigerator, stove. Fee. Free guest search at [www.sdrrentals.com](http://www.sdrrentals.com). 858-272-7368.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1100. 1 bedroom, 2 bath. Balcony with spectacular beach views. Washer/dryer hookups. Pets OK. 5182 Longbranch. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**OCEAN BEACH.** \$1050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Newly remodeled. 1/2 block Dog Beach. Enclosed patio. Dog OK. Available now. 5157 Muir Avenue. Appointments, 619-647-8470.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$865. Spacious 1 bedrooms. Private yards/balconies. Great location. Pool. Laundry. Barbecue. Free garage, gas utilities, heat. Large closets. No pets. 760-757-4641.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$1495/deposit. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. 2 story. Vaulted ceiling. Courtyard. 2 car garage. Close to 76. 104 Avenida Las Brisas. 760-580-1915; 760-580-6002.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$700. Large, remodeled studio. Nice, quiet, small complex. 1 mile/beach. Secure parking. No pets. Near Oceanside Boulevard and I-5. 1973 Apple Street. 760-754-1708.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$1895. 4 miles to beach. Newer 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2-car garage. Resort-style yard. Washer/dryer, refrigerator, gardener. No smoking/pets. 760-433-4273.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$1095. Large 2 bedroom apartment located 3 blocks from the ocean. Many recent upgrades including carpet and vinyl, microwave and ceiling fans. Secure off-street parking, laundry on site. Easy access to I-5. Manager, 760-529-0991.

**OCEANSIDE.** Incredible views! 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 1-car garage plus a space. Totally upgraded! Washer/dryer. Available now. 2-pets allowed. \$1650. 760-505-5278.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$1095. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath on cul-de-sac. 2 covered parking spaces. No smoking. Cat OK. 760-703-6803.

**OCEANSIDE.** 2 brand new condos available. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath. All brand new appliances. Underground parking. Available 1/15. Beach side. \$2350/month. Mike, 619-549-0367.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$2383/month with 12-month lease! Luxury, 2800-square-foot! 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 2-story townhome. Vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2-car garage. New appliances, carpet. Freshly painted. Pool. Jacuzzi. Lagoon view. Private yard with barbecue. 760-721-2802.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$725 studio. Pool, laundry, gated, covered parking. Quiet, beautifully landscaped. Cat OK. 760-722-6421.

**OCEANSIDE.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$845/\$865. Pool, spa, barbecue, laundry, gated. Quiet, beautifully landscaped. Cat OK. 760-439-5728.

**OCEANSIDE.** \$850, 1 bedroom, \$1020, 2 bedroom. \$300 off first month! Open house: Sunday 9am-3pm. Fantastic property near beach/shopping! Spacious apartments. Covered parking. On-site laundry. Cat OK. 700 Carey Road. 760-757-8581. [www.rasnyder.com](http://www.rasnyder.com).

**OCEANSIDE.** 1 bedrooms from \$875. 2 bedroom, 1 baths from \$1040. Gated, quiet, patios, pool and jacuzzi, dishwasher, microwave. 760-439-3588, [www.rasnyder.com](http://www.rasnyder.com).

**OCEANSIDE/CARLSBAD.** \$1750/month. Spacious 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath. All new appliances. Bathrooms updated. New carpet. carport. Carlsbad School District. Ocean views. Available 1/15. Mike, 619-549-0367.

**OLD TOWN.** Charming 1 bedroom, condo. Fireplace, air conditioning, free cable, balcony, laundry facilities, secured parking. Small pet OK. 1-year lease. \$1375. 619-203-1355 or 619-297-5217.

**OLD TOWN.** \$1025. Large 2 bedroom, lower unit, off-street parking, on-site laundry. Large patio. 2085 San Diego Avenue. Available now. Leave message, 858-270-9086.

**OLD TOWN.** \$875. Extra large, lower 1 bedroom, view, off-street parking, laundry on premises. 2085 San Diego Avenue. Available now. Leave clear message, 858-270-9086.

**OLD TOWN.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex available now. Garage, yard and laundry included. Cat OK. 4120 Twigg Street. Off Juan Street. Orion Property Group, 619-749-6545.

**OLD TOWN.** \$650-\$695. Low \$150 deposit. Fully furnished studios-alcoves on excellent hillside location. Free basic cable. 1616 Guy Street. 619-298-6242.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Ask about no deposit! Resort-style living. Studios, 1, 2 bedrooms starting at \$865, \$1035, \$1450. Heated pool. 2 jacuzzis, saunas. Weight rooms. Tennis clinics. Basketball. Aerobics. Clubhouse. Play area. Laundry facilities. Heat/air. Cat OK. Great location. Bay Pointe Apartments, 3866 Ingraham Street. 888-759-7435. [www.sdrreader.com/rent/2081](http://www.sdrreader.com/rent/2081).

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$775. Nice furnished and unfurnished studios. Quiet, friendly complex. Laundry room available. Off-street parking. Close to beach. 858-490-0374.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Spacious 1 bedroom and 2 bedroom apartments in small complex. \$1050-\$1450/month includes water and trash. On-site laundry. 1361 Felspar Street. Available now! Call Chris at 858-490-2727 x350.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$925. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 650 square feet. Close to bay. On site laundry. Water/trash included. No pets. Security deposit special. 858-273-2623.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1450. Gated, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 parking spaces, new paint, carpet. No pets/smoking. Year lease. \$1450 deposit. Available now. Hal, 949-933-3087.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$2100. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 3 blocks to beach. Washer/dryer. Parking. No pets/smoking. Available now. 1026 Emerald #3. 619-523-5036.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1150. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Covered secure parking, near pool, tennis court. One year lease. Available now. Plaza Condominiums. No pets. 858-454-7660.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** Pets OK. Large 2 bedroom, deck, wood floors, laundry, block to bay. Available 1/1/05. \$1695. High-speed Internet included. 4005 Riviera Drive. [www.geocities.com/rivieraapartments/](http://www.geocities.com/rivieraapartments/). Brian, 858-442-7873.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$3995. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath penthouse condo with bonus room! 180-degree views! 1660 square feet. Granite countertops. Underground parking. 3868 Riviera Drive #4B. Love Property Management, 619-379-4448.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$2399. Remodeled 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. 3rd floor. Sail Bay views! Fireplace. Balcony. Pool. 3920 Riviera Drive #M. Love Property Management, 619-379-4448.

**PACIFIC BEACH/MISSION BAY.** \$3399. Luxury 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Bayfront condo with view. 1900 square feet with fireplace. Granite counters. Custom cabinets. Spa tub. Patio. Pool. 2-car parking. [ccuprps@realty-specialists.com](http://ccuprps@realty-specialists.com). Love Property Management, 619-379-4448.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$3000. Luxury 2 bedroom, 2 bath penthouse condo. Bay/night-light views from every room! Pool. Jacuzzi. Weight room. 3991 Crown Point Drive #P16. Love Property Management, 619-379-4448.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1500. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Block and a half to beach. Clean, bright. Ceiling fans, dishwasher, on-site laundry. No pets. 858-273-3233.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$1325. Downstairs 2 bedroom apartment. Garage available. Recently renovated, tile floors, counters, dishwasher, microwave, large closets, security complex, laundry room, lease. Cats OK. 1955 Thomas. 858-205-2397.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Ask about manager's specials! Low deposits from \$550! Gated. Lush courtyard. Huge 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1050! Pool. Spa. Sauna. Fitness center. Barbecues. Clubhouse. Covered, garage parking. Bike trail. Near bay, beach, freeway, La Jolla. Cat friendly! Pacific at Mission Bay, 2636 Grand. 1-866-815-6570. [www.pacificliving.com](http://www.pacificliving.com). [www.sdrreader.com/rent/1049](http://www.sdrreader.com/rent/1049).

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$2195. 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse. Quiet neighborhood. Private patio. Wet bar. Washer/dryer. 2 fireplaces. Appliances. 1932 Missouri #3. Available now. 619-697-1660.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1550-\$2295. Luxury 2 and 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouses. Attached garage. Available now. Includes refrigerator, microwave, stove, dishwasher, fireplace, washer/dryer hookups. 1760 Diamond Street. Ask about no deposit! 619-223-0254; 858-273-5525.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath available first of December on tree-lined street. Controlled access building, laundry on site, parking and 1 garage space. No pets/smoking. \$1475 and up. Call for more detail, 858-866-0867.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** 1 bedroom apartments. On the beach between Reed Street and Pacific Beach Drive. Dogs, sharing cosigners OK. Priced by size and location. Year-round rate. 6-month lease, then month-to-month. Shown 8:30am-5:30pm, Monday-Friday. Beachfront Apartments, 4217 Oliver Court (behind the Promenade). 858-483-7670.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1900. Luxury townhouse, 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, attached 2-car garage, all appliances included, washer/dryer in-unit. New carpet. Close to all. No smoking/pets. Available 1/17/05. Drive by 1954 Missouri Street. Please do not disturb residents. Call 858-274-8251 or [all-christine@msn.com](mailto:all-christine@msn.com). <http://christalinespropertymanagement.com>

**PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH.** \$1100, all utilities, cable, laundry included. Cute studio. 5 blocks to beach. Free-standing fireplace, large private patio. No pets/smoking. 858-581-1123.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1325, 2 bedroom, 1-1/4 bath. Third floor, deck view. No pets. 6-month lease. 4467 Dawes. 858-483-4553.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$960. Quiet, upstairs 1 bedroom. 8 blocks to ocean. Remodeled. Hardwood floors, stove, refrigerator. Laundry close. Available now. Cat OK. 1570 Hornblend. 858-232-9932.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 900 square feet, upper unit, laundry onsite. 1832-1/2 Missouri. Steve Richards Realty, 858-483-2844.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1750. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo, wet bar, fireplace, dining room, off-street parking. 2040 Diamond. Steve Richards Realty, 858-483-2844.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$975/1 year lease. Recently remodeled 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Laundry. Near bay. Cat OK. 4040 Lamont. Available 1/1. 858-273-7140.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$1350. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry, underground parking. Quiet area. 4055 Sequoia #5. Available mid-January. 760-634-1746 or 858-270-2407.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, lower, near Crown Point Bay. New carpet. Laundry. Quiet building. No pets. 4275 Kendall Street. 858-273-4042.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo, new carpet, new flooring, great location, must see, 2120 Grand Avenue. 858-597-6100 x321.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$950, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1250, villa with private patio, 2 blocks from beach, upper unit, laundry, pool, no pets. 930 Thomas Street #29. CCPM, 858-270-1619.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Extra-large upstairs studio, open floorplan, walk-in closet, parking, \$850. Walk to ocean and bay. Near Trader Joe's. Available January. No pets. 858-272-8889.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1325, 1/2 off first month's rent. Light and bright 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath top-floor condo. Gated, carport, pool. Cat OK. Agent, 858-558-2827. [www.landbaronn.com](http://www.landbaronn.com).

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1000. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry. Parking. Carpet. Stove. Refrigerator. 1488 Reed. Indoor cat OK. Deposit, \$1000. Manager, 858-272-1488.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** New Year resolution: Save on deals! New maple kitchen. Studio, new maple kitchen. Laundry, pool, parking. \$788/up. Call 858-536-1900.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1410. Lovely, quiet 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse, fireplace, carpet, vertical blinds, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, off-street parking, side yard. Laundry facilities. No pets. Appointments, 760-942-8769.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1700. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. 4 blocks to beach, washer/dryer, fenced yard. Includes utilities. 858-488-8296.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1350. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath, downstairs condo in Crown Point. Reserve parking, new appliances, coin laundry, 1 block to bay, available now. 1 year lease. No smoking. 4109 Morrell. 760-730-7369; 858-270-5004.

**PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH.** \$950. \$950 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 3 blocks to beach. Stove. Refrigerator. Small yard. Pet friendly. 4881 Cass Street. 310-831-2379.

**PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH.** \$1500. Very private, 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. New carpet, new paint. Patio. Great location. Westbourne Company Realtors. 858-488-4800.

**PACIFIC BEACH NORTH.** 1 bedroom duplex, \$895. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath duplex, \$1150. New carpet in 2 bedroom. Parking, quiet for both. 858-756-1296.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath upstairs condo. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, fireplace, 1-car garage plus 1 parking. No pets. Contact Bill Luther Realty, 858-488-1580.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Spacious, upstairs 1 bedroom, 1 bath with laundry and off-street parking available now. No pets/smoking. \$895. 2003 Emerald Street #6. 619-226-0393.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1300. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Great location, 1 block Sail Bay, 4 ocean. Storage room, open beam ceilings, laundry hookups. 1253 Oliver. 619-294-8737.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$785. Junior 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment in small, intimate complex, off-street parking, close to all, on-site laundry. 3431 Del Rey. Chris, 619-504-4995.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$950. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Upper unit. Laundry facility. Parking. Storage locker. Common patio. Quiet complex. No pets. Open daily, 8-6pm. 1537 Missouri Street, #7. 858-270-4674.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$750. Studio. Ground floor. Off street parking. Laundry. No pets. One year lease. 1415 Grand Avenue. 619-890-9210.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$1175. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large, downstairs. Appliances. Coin laundry. Parking. Cat OK with additional \$300 deposit. Available 1/15/05. 2154 Reed. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker. [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com).

**PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH.** \$1100. 1 bedroom. Large, remodeled apartment. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave. Coin laundry. Pool. No pets. 2 blocks to Tourmaline Surf Park. 812 Tourmaline. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker. [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com).

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1025. 1 bedroom. Remodeled, downstairs, large apartment. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, coin laundry, parking, pool. No pets. Available 12/25. 1433 Oliver. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker. [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com).

**PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH.** \$1425. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Large, downstairs apartment. Stove, refrigerator, private patio, garage space, coin laundry. 2-1/2 blocks to ocean. Cat OK with additional \$300 deposit. Available 12/20. 945 Chalcedony. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, broker. [www.delsolpm.com](http://www.delsolpm.com).

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$2175. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large, upstairs, remodeled apartment, stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, private balcony, coin laundry, parking. 6 blocks to ocean, 1 block to bay. No pets. Available 1/15/05. 1346 Pa-

cific Beach Drive. Del Sol Properties, Broker. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$925. 1 bedroom, large, upstairs apartment, appliances, coin laundry, carport. No pets. Available 1/20/05. 3711 Ingraham. Del Sol Properties, Broker. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$1295, downstairs. \$1325, upstairs. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, carport, coin laundry, shared courtyard. No pets. Available 1/10/05. 3711 Ingraham. Del Sol Properties, Broker. 858-270-2071.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1350. Oceanview. 1 bedroom, 2nd floor, laundry room, garage plus off-street parking. No pets/smoking. 858-272-4825.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with garage, laundry onsite. Available 1/24. 1157 Hornblend Street. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Blocks from the beach. Renovated unit. Parking and laundry on-site. 1351 Reed Street. 619-280-8681.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1,295. Large 1 bedroom condo, building on Sail Bay. 1 underground parking space. Available January 10th. No pets. 619-692-9522.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$945. Block to bay. \$50 sweep credit available. Bright, upper 1 bedroom. Skylights. Open-beam ceilings. Peek of water view. Berber. Parking. Laundry. Haines Street. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. West of Ingraham. 2 parking spaces. Fireplace, dishwasher. Bright and sunny. \$1400. 1447 Chalcedony Street. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$2495. Spacious, bright 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome. View. Spa. Skylights. Vaulted ceilings. Wet bar. Oversized 2-car garage. Washer/dryer. Excellent condition. 1655 Chalcedony Street. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$810. Large studio. 1768-1/2 Missouri Street. 10 blocks to ocean/boardwalk. Quiet. No pets. Laundry. Off-street parking. Year lease. Available 1/06/05. 858-405-4737.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$940. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Downstairs, near bay, fireplace, laundry, parking. No pets. Year lease. Available 1/07/05. 4012 Morrell Street. 858-405-4737.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1995. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, new carpet, paint, new refrigerator, new stove, dishwasher, microwave, pool, 2 underground parking, 4090 Fanuel #2D. Penny Realty, 858-272-3900 x107.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$995. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 1434 Grand Ave. Receive \$500 off

first month's rent! Off-street parking. No pets. Agent, 619-379-9037.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$925. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Close to beach. Quiet. Available 2/1/05. 1027-1/2 Sapphire Street. CSPM, 619-229-2440. [jz.]

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Spacious, 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments. Upstairs/downstairs, one with patio. Parking, trash/water included. Pool and laundry on site. \$1350-\$1395/month. 883 Jewel Street. Call Manager, 858-272-0068.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$3000. 3 bedrooms, 3 bath. Oversized 2 car garage with workroom. Large private deck off of master bedroom. Many upgrades. Close to all. No pets, please. Available 1/15/05. John A. Reis and Company, Inc., 858-272-1348.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1500 condo, 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Brand new remodel, contemporary. Hardwood, granite, travertine, pool, parking, recreation room, more. No pets. Available now. 2266 Grand. 858-272-8024.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1000. 1 bedroom, 1-1/2 blocks to the beach. Yard for tenant use. Parking. Laundry. Quiet complex. 1/2 block to grocery store. Call Robert, 858-273-3121.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1295. Immaculate, charming 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper unit. Quiet. No laundry. Wrap-around private patio, parking. No pets/smoking. Must see. 858-270-7279.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$885. Large, 1 bedroom apartment. No pets. Parking. Laundry. New carpet/paint. Dishwasher. Share courtyard. Nice. 1550 Hornblend Street #2. Agent, 619-275-3455.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Upstairs apartment. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Built-ins. Refrigerator. All new paint/carpet. \$1200. Garage available, \$50. Agent, Bill 619-275-1431 x1.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$2000. 3 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Upper level. Off-street parking. Appliances. No pets. Available now. 4451 Haines Street. 858-270-4492 x203.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1050. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 3 blocks to ocean. Nice and clean. Off-street parking. Laundry room. No pets. Available now. 1050 Hornblend Street. 858-270-4492 x203.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1600. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Upper level. Off-street parking. Appliances. No pets. Available mid-January. 4451 Haines Street. 858-270-4492 x203.

**PACIFIC BEACH NORTH.** \$1250. Spacious, bright 2 bedrooms. 1 bath apartment. New kitchen, dishwasher, new carpet. Near beach, shopping, more. 1-year lease. No pets. 858-454-9236.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1495. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upgraded, 3 blocks to beach, dish-

washer, laundry. 1069 Hornblend. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1395. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Walk to all, laundry. Available now! 1161 Hornblend Street. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$880. Luxury studio apartment, blocks to beach. Walk to all. Laundry, parking, new appliances. Must see! 1304-B Felspar. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1450. 3 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Front patio. Available now. 2010 Reed Avenue. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1595. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, luxury unit, close to beach. Garage \$100. Available now! 1071 Missouri Street. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1160. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Walk to Bay, upstairs. 6 month lease, must see! 2029 Oliver Street. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1595. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. Block to beach. Private deck. 826 Chalcedony. Garage available, \$100. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$925. 1 bedroom, front and side patios. Maybe allow one small dog. Laundry, parking. Quiet complex of only 4 units. Call Robert, 858-273-3121.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1600. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Upper level. Off-street parking. Appliances. No pets. Available February, 4451 Haines Street. 858-270-4492 x203.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1295. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. 6 month lease. Big living room. 1468-4 Missouri Street. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1295. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. New carpet and paint. \$800 deposit. 2325 Grand Avenue. 858-483-3534. www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$745. Studio, 1 bath, underground parking, 375 square feet, laundry. 1845 Hornblend. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, laundry, 9-month lease. 1536-5 Diamond. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1325. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, bright upstairs, large kitchen. 1872 Diamond. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1260. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, quiet complex near bay. Available 1/11/05. 3875 Sequoia Street. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1475. 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath 2-story condo, 1000 square feet, parking. 1520 Thomas. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1595. 2 bedroom, 2 bath luxury condo in the Plaza, 2 parking, weight room, pool. 1775 Diamond. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** \$2200. 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse, high ceilings, lots of closets, dishwasher. 3922 Shasta. 858-483-3534; www.cal-prop.com.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$995. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, near freeway. Available now! 2327 Grand. 858-483-3534.

**PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT.** Furnished/unfurnished. 180 degree unobstructed view. Bay/park. Steps to beach. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. 2 car. Washer/dryer, fireplace, spa. 1200 square feet. \$2100. 916-548-6767.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$1475. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhome. Washer/dryer, new stove, small patio. Available now. 1847 Thomas Ave. 858-490-0385.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** Happy New Year from Crown Management! Call our 24-hour rental line for availability on studios, 1, 2, 3 and 4 bedrooms: 858-454-1900.

**PACIFIC BEACH.** \$965. 1 bedroom. Spacious, clean, redone, quiet. No pets. Available 1/1/05. 1 year lease. \$700 deposit. Call 858-270-4266. 3911 Jewell Street.

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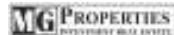
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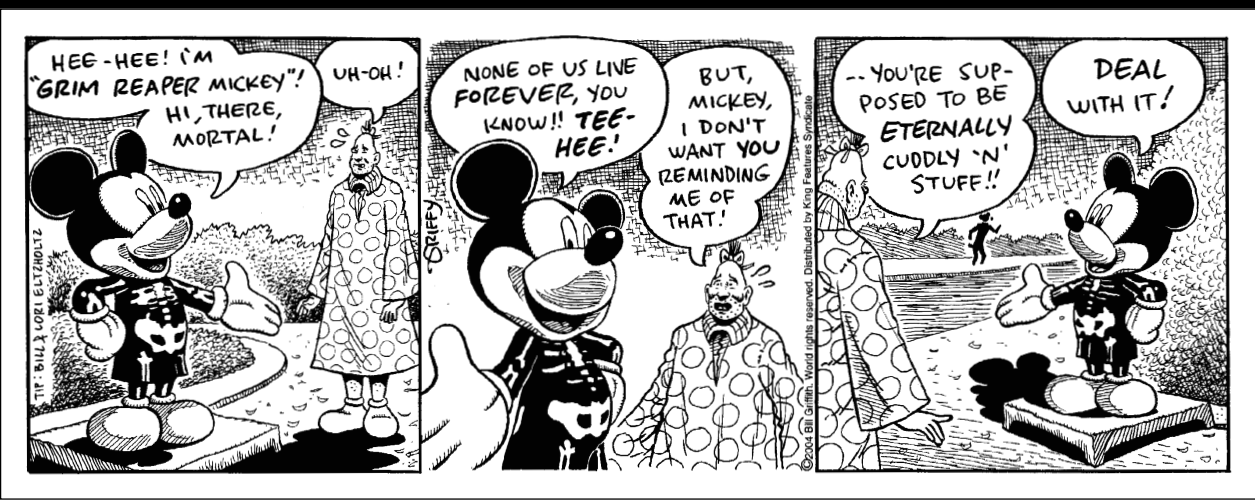
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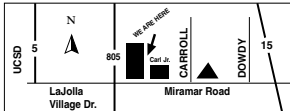
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- Inspect air and fuel filters
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- Valve adjustment (if adjustable)
- Adjust carburetor (if applicable)
- Adjust fuel-to-air mixture
- Inspect clutch
- Adjust clutch
- Inspect brakes
- Adjust brakes
- Adjust emergency brake
- Inspect & replenish all fluids
- Inspect all exposed belts
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**HUFFY**, men's 10-speed mountain bike. Nishiki women's 10-speed touring bike. Unused, hanging upside down for the last 7 years, \$20 each. 858-259-6934.

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**COIN BOOKS.** Redbook by RS Yeoman, 29 total, 24 different dates (1958-1981), \$90. El Cajon, 619-447-4117.

**LAMPS** (2), Chinese, hand-carved wood, excellent condition, possibly 1920s from mainland China, 14-1/2"Hx4-1/2" diameter, \$300/pair. Steve, 858-752-3588.

**LES MARRONNIERS ROSES.** Renoir print, limited edition. Issued by the Renoir Impressionist Society. Signed by Renoir in the plate and Paul Renoir in pencil on the print. Appraised \$2500, sell \$600, unframed. drdan@4n6xpirt.com.

**MAGAZINES.** Avant Garde, all 14 issues of Ralph Ginzburg edited magazine with both versions of John Lennon lithographs, excellent condition, \$350. 760-603-0557.

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**MICROWAVE**, large, beautiful, like new, in box. Toaster, grilling features, \$20. Smith Corona electric typewriter with memory correct, \$20. Escondido, 760-745-7873.

**REFRIGERATOR**, large, 22 cubic feet, top freezer, no ice maker, glass shelves, light beige, asking \$125. Bought Energy Star model. Clairemont, fridge@ernst.com or 858-292-1237.

**REFRIGERATOR**, Amana, 20 cubic feet, white, freezer on bottom, frost-free, \$100. Microwave, \$20. 619-449-9047.

**REFRIGERATOR**, Amana, 22 cubic feet, side by side, water and ice in door, almond, excellent condition, \$275. 858-278-0506.

**REFRIGERATOR**, GE, side by side, 2-1/2 years old, clean, like new, frost free, filtered water, ice (cubed, crushed), digital settings. Sacrifice \$775, originally \$1700. 619-226-4662.

**REFRIGERATOR**, ice/water on door, \$250. Washer, \$145. Dryer, \$135. All guaranteed. Can deliver. 619-584-1625.

**REFRIGERATOR**, 2001, 25 cubic feet, side by side, water dispenser, dark blue, Frigidaire Gallery, cost \$1300, take \$350. 619-804-4419.

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LEAD STORY

— “Freegans” are non-homeless Dumpster divers committed to rescuing usable discarded goods, including food, according to reports in *Newsday* (September) and the *Houston Press* (November). Most are driven by a belief that too many Americans have a fetishized view of newness, pointing out that restaurants discard much unspoiled food because they need to sell even fresher food. (Freegans don’t eat table scraps.) Still, many restaurants protect their garbage from “Dumpstering” foragers with locks and razor wire or by coating it with bleach.

Things People Believe

— (1) Using parts she bought from the estate of a laser-tech engineer, Julie “Jitterbug” Pearce, 23, built a UFO-attracting device for the roof of her home in Duluth, Minn. She told the *Duluth News Tribune* in August that her machine’s tri-angulantly patterned strobe-light design, looped radio transmissions, and laser light refracted through a quartz crystal may help signal aliens in the area. (2) In Johannesburg, South Africa, student John Smit, 18, caused a minor curriculum crisis when he willingly took a 30-point deduction on an important English exam because he could not bear to deal with a reading-comprehension question based on a passage from a Harry Potter book, which Smit regards as “witchcraft.”

Fine Points of the Law

— (1) Australia’s high court ruled in October that convicted drug dealer Francesco Dominico La Rosa could write off a casualty loss of about \$168,000 against his taxable income, even though the “loss” occurred when someone allegedly stole that amount, which La Rosa had buried in his back yard and wanted to use for a heroin deal. (The Australian tax office went nuts at the ruling, and efforts are under way to change the law.) (2) Also in October, the federal appeals court in San Francisco dismissed a lawsuit against the Navy, filed in the name of marine mammals, claiming that naval sonar disrupted their underwater communication; the court said federal environmental laws

can be challenged only by people (or legal entities), not whales.

Chess Glandmaster

— Controversial former chess champion Bobby Fischer, who fled to Japan to avoid U.S. visa-violation charges and who is smarting from a recent *Time* magazine description of him as something less than a babe magnet, defended his virility to a *Mainichi Daily News* reporter in October by pointing out that he wears “size 14 wide shoes. Just keep that in mind when [they] say I’m not a dreamboat.” After recounting an episode at a hot spring nude bath in Japan in which two fellow customers seemed in awe of his “size,” Fischer then accused Americans of having persuaded Japanese authorities to lock him up in a facility close to a nuclear plant so that the U.S. government can “make me impotent.”

Compelling Explanations

— Chutzpah: John Michael Dunton’s infant daughter died in September when Dunton accidentally left her in his minivan, having forgotten to drop her off at the babysitter’s before work. However, upon learning that no criminal charges would be filed against him, Dunton appeared at a press conference, boasting that a jury would have acquitted him. He then implored automakers to invent something to keep parents from forgetting about their kids. — Antoinette Millard, 40, filed a lawsuit against American Express in November to cancel her credit card charges, blaming the company for her \$950,000 shopping spree at New York City’s priciest stores (in that AmEx imprudently issued her its prestigious black Centurion Card). Millard, who recently portrayed herself as “Princess Antoinette” of a Saudi royal family and as a former Victoria’s Secret model, said she suffered from “anorexia, depression, panic attacks [and] head tumors,” which made her an impulsive, frenzied shopper. (According to prosecutors, Millard is a divorced woman from Buffalo who was working in an office in Manhattan.) — According to a transcript obtained by the *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle* in Septem-

ber, convicted rapist John Horace, 60, was turned down by the New York Parole Board after offering a new excuse for his crime (which was committed against a nursing-home resident in a near coma). Horace, then an aide at the home, said he had read in a medical book somewhere that the sensation of pregnancy would snap a woman out of a coma and that he was thus only trying to help.

— In a September issue of the *London Review of Books*, trendy Slovenian philosopher Slavoj Zizek made the point that the essential ideological differences in German, French, and British-American societies, as noted by G.W.F. Hegel and others, can be represented by their countries’ respective toilet designs. The German toilet’s evacuation hole is in the front, facilitating “inspection and analysis,” but the French design places the hole in the rear, so that waste disappears quickly. The British-American toilet allows flotation, which of course signals that society’s “utilitarian pragmatism.” Zizek described his theory as an “excremental correlative-counterpoint” to a framework identified with French philosopher Claude Levi-Strauss.

Creme de la Weird

— In a June lawsuit in Albany, N.Y., Mark Hogarth, 45, asked a court to protect his constitutional right to privacy by exempting him from child-pornography laws so that he can reclaim 269 lewd photos of himself, taken when he was a kid, but which his now-deceased father had hidden away in another country. In his petition, he said that his father approved of, but did not participate in, the photo sessions (some of which featured other children) and that Hogarth would like to keep the pictures as, basically, mementos of his childhood.

Least Competent Criminals

— Jason Rodd, clocked at 90 mph on Interstate 91 near St. Johnsbury, Vt., in November, tried to evade police by pulling off the highway, dousing his headlights, and turning into a farmer’s field for cover. However, unable to see well without lights, he drove into a manure pit that immobi-

lized his car, and he was tracked down a few minutes later.

Recurring Themes

— Six weeks ago, “News of the Weird” reported on two New Hampshire mothers who had been arrested for assaulting their children over petty provocations. Later, in November, came Nicole Mancini, 29, who was arrested in Rochester, New Hampshire, after she walked into the St. Mary’s Church — in pajamas — with her three children and was overheard mumbling about the need to “sacrifice” the kids on the “altar” “before 3 o’clock.” After charging her with three counts of child endangerment, a police lieutenant said, “Eighteen years I’ve been doing this, and I’ve never come across anything like it.”

Readers’ Choice

— In Kent, Wash., in November, a 24-year-old man tried to heat his lava lamp on a stove; he was killed when the lamp exploded and propelled a piece of glass into his heart. ... On Thanksgiving day in Worcester, Mass., Frank Palacios, 24, got tired of being criticized for picking at the turkey with his fingers and stabbed his cousin and his uncle, sending both to the hospital.

Signs

— Among the latest “miracles”: a fiberglass statue of Jesus that washed up on a sandbar on the Rio Grande near Eagle Pass, Texas, and which has now drawn thousands of worshippers (September); an inflated balloon with a rubber smudge in the image of the Virgin Mary decorating the car lot of Payne Weslaco Motors, Weslaco, Texas (giving at least one worker there “chills”) (August); and the spontaneous falling over of the Virgin Mary statue at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church, which was taken to be a holy signal that the church, which had been scheduled for closing by the Boston Archdiocese, should remain open (October).

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I skipped the *What the fuck for?* questions because the look on the woman’s face told me she was in no mood. I just took my check from the metal slot and turned around.

Another officer had me sign papers, put my gas-station flip-flops back on, and walked me down a concrete corridor. The other inmates were jealously peeping out of their porthole windows. I was robbing their freedom by walking out right in front of their faces.

“Hey, where’s my phone?” I asked the guard.

“It’s in the envelope,” she replied dryly. A question asked and answered one thousand times before.

“Have a good night, sir,” the voice behind me droned just before the *CLANK* of the giant metal door.

I flipped open my phone to read “3:42 a.m.” and then, just as quickly, “Battery Low, Shutting Off.”

“Super,” I said out loud, finding my voice a little disturbing to hear. I’ve got my *check* (!), a dead phone, and I’m in flip-flops in the middle of downtown.

A short walk revealed an all-night gas station with an ATM and a pay phone. I folded up the eight sheets of pink, yellow, and white copies of the booking slip, ticket, and summons. I crammed them into my pocket and crumpled myself into a cab.

I sank into the couch and turned on the cold light of the TV. *They should program television at 4:00 a.m. for people who just got out of jail. TV for addicts, security guards, garbage men, and recently freed jailbirds*, I thought while watching a crappy infomercial. *The ratings would beat the crap out of that stinkin’* Bedazzled.

I killed the box and sat there in silence. There’s an empty space in a room when the electronics are off. And your feet, up on the coffee table, take up that black hole, and you can sit in the half-light of morning and think about the big things.

WHAT I WILL AND WON’T WATCH THIS WEEK

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30**

**PINKY Y CEREBRO**

**XEWT 12, 2:30 P.M.**

Defying my own good judgement I’m going to see if they’ve translated that infectious opening song. If you see a big, tattooed, dumb-ass wandering O.B. and singing, “*Pinky y Cerebro, sí, Pinky y Cerebro. Uno es un genio el otro insano. Sí, Pinky y Cerebro,*” you’ll know what happened.

**KING OF THE HILL MARATHON**

**FX 68, 7:00 P.M. TILL 10:30 P.M.**

Clean your house. It’s a shithole and there are people coming over for New Year’s Eve. Turn

on the *King of the Hill* marathon. Take a break between vacuuming and mopping. Call your friends and make sure everything is set for tomorrow night.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31**

**DICK CLARK’S PRIMETIME**

**NEW YEAR’S ROCKIN’ EVE 2005**

**ABC 10, 10:00 P.M.**

This New Year’s Eve I’ll count out loud, “3, 2, 1,” and watch the pill drop into my mouth. *Dick Clark’s Primetime New Year’s Rockin’ Eve 2005* is hard enough to say, let alone when it’s hosted by Regis Philbin and I’m being hosted by Dow Chemicals.

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2005**

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Last year on New Year’s Day I went to see *Return of the King* with some friends in Galway, Ireland. Sitting in a warm dark theater and watching bright flashy things really hit the spot after having exposed myself to serious brain trauma the night before. This year, with those same chemicals coursing through my system and making me sterile, I’ll watch the entire *Lord of the Rings* trilogy on DVD — 12 hours of elves, hobbits, and wizards. Ahhh, progress.



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**SUNDAY, JANUARY 2**

**COYOTE UGLY (2000)**

**USA 2, 6:30 P.M.**

If you’re going to spend Sunday dividing your time between throwing up and cleaning, you’re going to need something simple and stupid on the tube. I, for one, will not be fit for the mental gymnastics required of television poker until at least January 10. Tyra Banks stomping around in cowboy boots and a bra will be just what the doctor ordered.

**MONDAY, JANUARY 3**

**REAL WORLD/ROAD RULES CHALLENGE**

**MTV 30, 9:00 P.M.**

This is still on? To pretend that teenagers hopped up on hormones and dangling from bungee cords is relevant entertainment is an affront. Let’s encourage all the CJs, Briannas, and Desires to cover up their bellybutton rings and contribute to society. To the dozens of people who still watch this tripe, I say, “Stop!”

**GANDHI (1982)**

**BRAVO 42, 3:00 P.M.**

Gandhi, you are the only one. With your patience and perseverance, you are the only person on Earth who could watch, for four

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 4**

**NAVY SEALS (1990)**

**A&E 41, 2:30 P.M.**

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**VH1 46, 3:00 P.M.**

Well, hello. How on Earth did I miss this? Since dragging women out of bars on a Tuesday is pretty difficult. Plus, I could never, ever see any of these women in their underwear in real life, so I’ll settle for getting affection via electronic tube.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5**

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