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Generous

Irwin Herman ("10,000 Buzzing Bees," "City Lights," March 17) would probably tell you he would be the last person in this galaxy to be put on a pedestal, but I do honestly believe it is long overdue to give thanks to one of the most generous human beings I have ever met in my life.

Nice piece.

Bob Davidson
via e-mail

Reasonable Jerks

I enjoyed reading the reprint story ("I Was the Coolest Guy I Knew") on March 17 by Jeff Savage, subtitled "Confessions of a Disenchanted Sports Writer." Although he focused on the downs of sports writing, I'm sure there are many highs experienced that he wouldn't have changed for the world. In one of his interviews with former Padre manager Greg Riddoch, Riddoch points out that all the money the players make contributes to their acting like jerks — but of course with many exceptions. I'd have to agree with that being a fair statement. However, considering that sports stars are put in the spotlight by the press, mainly for their skills on the field and the enjoyment they give to the many fans, being a jerk once in a while rather than all the time to me is reasonable and accepted. Nobody's perfect. Just think of all the jerks out there with bundles of money giving enjoyment to only themselves or their bankers when they trip in the bank's front door every week.

But getting back to sports and the present media blitz on baseball and steroid abuse, I'm surprised that the so-named professional world of wrestling hasn't appeared. I've watched some of the up-and-coming-fu-

ture-matches interviews given by these human gorillas on national TV, and if these guys are natural and normal, then I'm the Easter Bunny living out here in Alpine and presently raising a flock of geese that lay golden eggs. In closing, I'll be a baseball fan always, no matter what.

James Reeber
Alpine

Mistrial Stunner

Congratulations to Don Bauder for his insightful article on Judge Wickersham and the Paul Pfingst fiasco ("The Celebrity Factor," "City Lights," March 10). As a trial attorney present to watch the proceedings, I was stunned at his awful behavior toward Mrs. Lopez's attorneys. Both Ms. Sussman and Ms. Parker are very experienced and effective counsel. Judge Wickersham's favoritism of Mr. Pfingst was so blatant, it was painful to watch. I couldn't imagine how Pfingst could have negated the damage caused by the defendant's own testimony. Besides, there was strong evidence that the baby's death certificate was altered to change the cause of death! The grounds for bringing the mistrial were specious, and I was stunned it was granted. Also, the timing of the mistrial was very suspicious. I was glad to see Bauder point out the dangers in our court system caused by the celebrity factor.

Cassandra Thorson
via e-mail

Chatterbox Juror

Mr. Bauder's article of last week entitled "The Celebrity Factor" ("City Lights," March 10) has perhaps significant errors, so in the interest of accuracy and completeness, let me offer the following:

1. I was a member of that jury, and no one sought to interview me; nor were there 15 members but rather 14 after one member died of a sudden heart attack before the third day of testimony.

2. I never saw Judge Wickersham sleeping.

3. I was not particularly impressed by the plaintiff's case and most certainly could not say I'd find in her favor, especially not having heard any part of the defendant's case. There were clearly and obviously some uncertain-

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To Hell and back Everyone knows that Republicans are into faith-based initiatives, but what was a \$5000 contribution from the Stickel Christian Foundation doing on the campaign-disclosure report of San Diego's Lincoln Club, that bastion of pragmatic GOP fat cats? "An administrative breakdown," says **Tom Stickel**, who with wife **Tracy** set up the nonprofit, tax-exempt charity back in 1987, ostensibly to assist deserving children with scholarships and summer camps. "I take a fair share of the responsibility," added Stickel, a Coronado Cays resident and longtime local financier who has been active in Republican politics here for more than two decades and whose latest business endeavor is organizing a new Coronado bank. The story begins on February 2 of last year, when, according to a state campaign-finance report filed by the Lincoln Club, the club received the donation from Stickel's foundation. **Harry "Hap" Brahams**, foundation president and retired minister of La Jolla Presbyterian Church, says he cut the check, made out to "Lincoln Club," on January 30.

"Tom called me long-distance in January and told me to write out that check," recalls



Clair Burgener

Brahams, who now lives in Peoria, Arizona. "He said it was for a scholarship fund to honor **Clair Burgener** at an event." In a follow-up interview, Brahams amended that account by saying there had been a conference call between himself, Stickel, Tracy Stickel, and other members of the foundation board. "Tom made an oral report, and we approved it. He took the minutes. I don't have them."

Brahams says that the foundation donates an average of about \$20,000 a year to scholarships and related activities. But its most recently available financial disclosure filed with the Internal Revenue Service shows that in 2003, the foundation made only \$11,000 in charitable contributions: \$10,000 went to Uplift/Kids at Heart, which Brahams says is a tutoring and academic enrichment-related group, and the other \$1000 was paid to the Catfish Club, which holds monthly luncheons and political forums for business and civic types in the Southeast San Diego studios of TV station KGTV. Brahams himself received \$9000 and his wife **Donna**, who is listed as vice president of the charity, collected \$3000. Stickel says that the foundation's most recent charitable contribution, \$10,000, was made anonymously to a group called "Camp WAMP" (Wheelchair Adventure Mountain Programs), a Coronado-based charity that sponsors a summer camp in the Sierra Nevada for disabled children. His wife Tracy is on the group's board.

Stickel says that he recalls the events leading to the Lincoln Club contribution a bit differently than Brahams does: "Hap thought it would go to scholarships; I thought it would

go to Alzheimer's research." It happens that the Lincoln Club did hold a banquet in honor of Clair Burgener, the ex-GOP congressman now suffering from Alzheimer's. Burgener and Stickel were once associates in a firm called TCS Enterprises. That relationship drew



Charles Keating

scrutiny after it came to light that Lincoln Savings and Loan — controlled by the infamous **Charles Keating**, later jailed in connection with the S&L's collapse — had purchased TCS stock worth \$2.89 million. One federal regulator claimed in congressional testimony that the investment was a "bailout" of TCS. Another TCS executive, **Larry Taggart**, was Governor **George Deukmejian's** top S&L regulator before leaving in January 1985 to take a job at TCS; the Lincoln Savings investment came three weeks later. Critics alleged that Taggart had issued rulings favorable to Lincoln Savings. Stickel, Burgener, and Taggart denied any quid pro quo.

A federal campaign-finance disclosure filed by the Lincoln Club shows that the Burgener dinner, held December 11, 2003, at La Jolla's Hyatt Regency hotel, generated \$10,000 for the Alzheimer's Association. Expenses included \$45,000 for the hotel, \$8000 for printing, and \$4000 for video. Other dinner proceeds went to cover the club's overhead, such as executive salaries. Stickel says he can't account for why the Stickel Christian Foundation's contribution was made more than a month after the banquet if it was intended to go to Alzheimer's research. "All I remember was that when the Lincoln Club called, I said I would make a contribution in Clair's name." He says that **Allan Royster**, a club member, made the solicitation. "He said, 'It's not going to the Lincoln Club.' I thought it was going to Alzheimer's. It was definitely not our intent to make a political contribution." Royster said he had solicited Stickel for a contribution to the Burgener dinner in November 2003. "To put on a banquet with a lobster dinner is extremely expensive. I have no clue as to how the money was accounted for. That's not my job." Adding to the intrigue is the fact that on January 30, 2004 — the very day that Brahams says he wrote the foundation's \$5000 check to the Lincoln Club's state committee — the club's federal committee contributed exactly the same amount to the Bush-Cheney presidential campaign.

"I won't accuse them of inappropriate receipt of monies," Stickel says about the Lincoln Club. "I should have insisted that the check be made out directly to the Alzheimer's Association."

— Matt Potter

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He Isn't Worth \$9 an Hour

By Don Bauder

Consultant celebrities are like Hollywood celebrities: they're hired more for show than substance. This is just one of many

reasons San Diego taxpayers should cock an eyebrow at the city's hiring of two former top Securities and Exchange Commission officials

to do still another study on the city's pension woes.

Arthur Levitt, former chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission,



Arthur Levitt



Lynn Turner



Frank Partnoy

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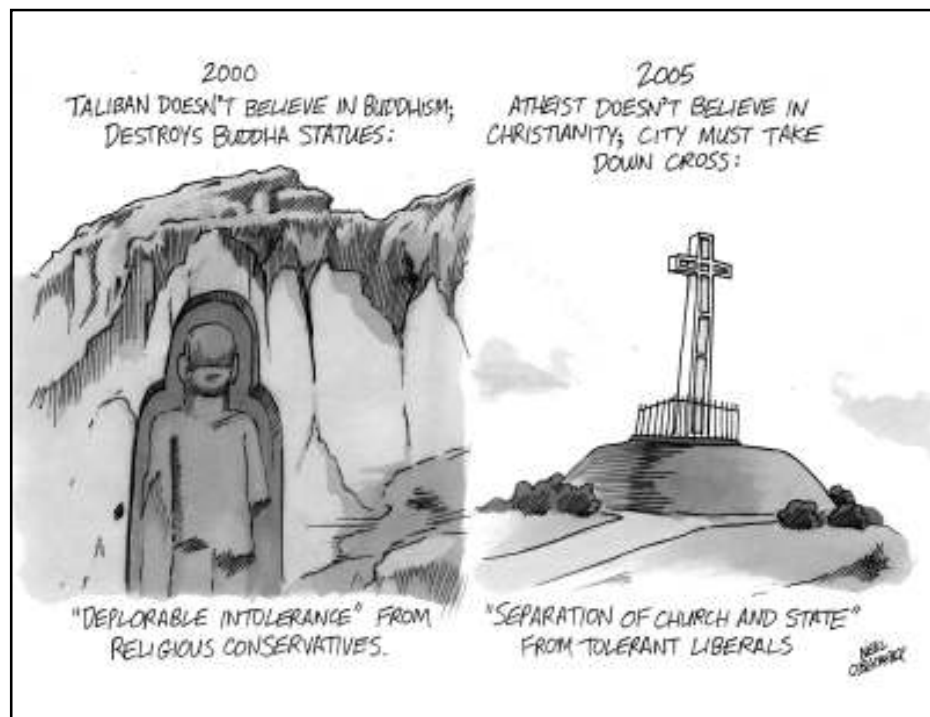
now an author and TV commentator, will get a whopping \$900 an hour — that's an *hour* — to supervise the investigative work of Lynn E. Turner, who was chief accountant of the commission under Levitt. Turner will get \$750 an hour. Troy Dahlberg, managing director of Kroll, Inc., which recruited Levitt and Turner for the job, will rake in \$450 an hour. Kroll is a subsidiary of New York's Marsh & McLennan, a diversified financial firm that has more governance problems than the City of San Diego (if that is possible).

Among other things, Levitt and Turner will be passing judgment on two earlier studies of the pension crisis by the law firm of Vinson & Elkins (Enron's former law firm) and by City Attorney Mike Aguirre. There are significant disagreements between the two studies. The Vincent & Elkins study concluded that no city employee was culpable for the pension fiasco, even though such a finding was outside its mandate. The accounting firm of KPMG rejected the Vinson & Elkins study, and refuses to release the 2003 and 2004 audits. That's why Aguirre did a study, which concluded that Mayor Dick Murphy

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Neal Obermeyer



Choppers Devour Millions

By Joe Deegan

The value of helicopters in fighting fires is “the quick attack,” says Brian Fennessy, manager of San Diego’s Regional Fire and Rescue Helicopter Program. “If you can get a load of water and a crew in there to hit early, you have a chance of stopping fires before they become large.”

Three days before the

late-October 2003 Cedar Fire, the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department’s helicopter left the county. A 120-day lease with Boise, Idaho’s Kachina-Helijet Aviation had run out. During its stay

here, no major fires gave the chopper an opportunity to show what it could do.

The initial absence of the helicopter was only one of many resource shortfalls that firefighters faced throughout the Cedar Fire. An urge to blame government began immediately afterward. But within a week, on November 1, the *San Diego Union-Tribune*’s Kelly Thornton and Luis Monteagudo, Jr. wrote that some local officials claimed “taxpayers should look in the mirror.” And the reporters quoted San Diego fire chief Jeff Bowman as

saying, “The city didn’t have enough resources because people aren’t willing to pay for them.” As though to back up the chief’s view, Thornton and Monteagudo wrote, “Dozens of ballot measures to raise taxes for fire protection have failed over the past three decades.”

It didn’t take long for San Diego to retrieve its helicopter. In fact, the aircraft never made it out of the state. The California Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention commended it to help fight a huge fire in the San Bernardino



Brian Fennessy

Mountains that had already been raging for several days at the time the Cedar Fire broke out.

The Cedar Fire started on a Saturday night. “Already I had gone up to the San Bernardino fire as a member of the management team,” says Fennessy, who mentions several local firefighters who went with him. “Then we got a call from our fire chief on Sunday morning. He’d been in contact with the mayor and councilmembers who wanted to know what it would take to get the helicopter again. They wanted it back on contract. It took me until Monday to get it because people also were losing homes up there. So the state commander didn’t want to let anything go.”

But Kachina-Helijet came up with another chopper from Boise for the San Bernardino fire, according to Fennessy. “That allowed me and the pilot to bring our helicopter back down,” he says. “It was here and ready to go by 10:30 Monday morning.” The city has had the aircraft ever since.

“To be honest, though,” says Fire-Rescue Department spokesman Maurice Luque, “this and ten other helicopters like it wouldn’t have made much difference after the Cedar Fire was going. The weather was the key factor.” Fennessy agrees but adds, “We’d have had some victories along the way; we’d have saved some homes. This helicopter and others were saving homes in the [San Bernardino] fire. They still lost lots of homes up there but not as many as they might have without helicopters.”

I ask Fennessy, did the city end its initial four-

month use of the helicopter before the Cedar Fire because the program was only experimental?

“No, officials did acknowledge that it was a need,” he answers, “but it came down to dollars and cents. The city, county, and state are suffering difficult fiscal times, and there are a lot of competing priorities in San Diego.”

Shortly after the Cedar Fire, the board of supervisors decided that San Diego County ought to have a helicopter. So, the city’s Fire-Rescue Department leased a second one from Kachina, which the county pays for. Now, Copter One and Copter Two and their four-man crews comprise the San Diego Regional Fire and Rescue Helicopter Program. The city keeps Copter One (a twin-engine Bell 212 manufactured by Bell Textron in Texas) at Montgomery Field. Fallbrook is the home of the county’s Bell 214 Copter Two, an older single-engine product of Bell Textron.

I flinch at the \$256,000 monthly lease on each machine. “Besides the helicopter,” says Fennessy, “Kachina provides its pilot, the fuel it uses, a fuel truck with driver, and maintenance.” To keep the pilots, all out-of-towners, near enough for emergency calls, Kachina puts them up in nearby motels during their 12-day rotations in San Diego. The company has similar contracts with the U.S. Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, and other organizations throughout the western United States, especially during fire seasons.

Luque is anxious to point out that “fighting fires is only

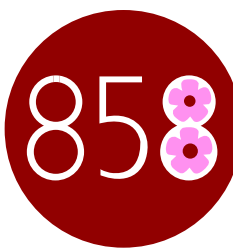
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and several city-council members violated securities laws by withholding negative information from bond in-

vestors and granting benefits to pension-board members who could influence their colleagues to permit underfunding to continue.

Levitt, Turner, et al. are being paid to "reconcile any discrepancies [between the

reports] and make appropriate recommendations to the city council," according to City Manager Lamont Ewell. There are several problems here. First, Levitt and his crew are being hired by and paid by the city council.

Consultants are notorious for telling those paying their bills exactly what they want to hear.

Also, the relationships between Levitt and the authors of the Vinson & Elkins report are troubling. The Vin-

son & Elkins study was co-authored by Paul Maco and Richard Sauer. Maco was the first director of the Securities and Exchange Commission's Office of Municipal Securities. That office had been created by Levitt, who hired

Maco to run it in 1995. In 2000, Maco left to work for Vinson & Elkins. There was a veritable lovefest between Levitt and Maco at the time. "Paul has been an effective advocate on behalf of municipal market investors and has played a significant role in every municipal finance reform effort this commission has undertaken," enthused Levitt.

"It has been a great honor to work with chairman Levitt," gushed Maco.

In 2003, Sauer joined Vinson & Elkins from the Securities and Exchange Commission. At the time, Maco pointed out proudly that Sauer was a senior attorney for Levitt. "It's great to be joined by a former colleague from the SEC's senior ranks," effervesced Maco.

Question: will Levitt and Turner be objective in reviewing the work of their former securities agency underlings?

While they were at the agency, Levitt and Turner said all the right things about corporate wrongdoers. I have praised their rhetoric several times. But some say their deeds didn't match their words. "The city could not have picked a worse person to do this report," says University of San Diego law professor Frank Partnoy, author of two excellent books on investment scandals (*F.I.A.S.C.O.: Blood in the Water on Wall Street and Infectious Greed*). "Arthur Levitt is the most ridiculed SEC commissioner in history. He oversaw epic corporate frauds and did nothing to stop them or repair the damage after they had occurred. In my opinion, he isn't worth \$9 an hour, much less \$900."

The San Diego government should have "hired somebody involved in the community, not somebody biased or incompetent," says Partnoy. "Hiring someone whose name has been in the headlines for the wrong reasons is not a good idea. There are plenty of big names that have more credibility than [Levitt and Turner]. Madonna has a big name." Partnoy points out that the University of Texas law school did a good job reporting on the Enron scandal. His own law school

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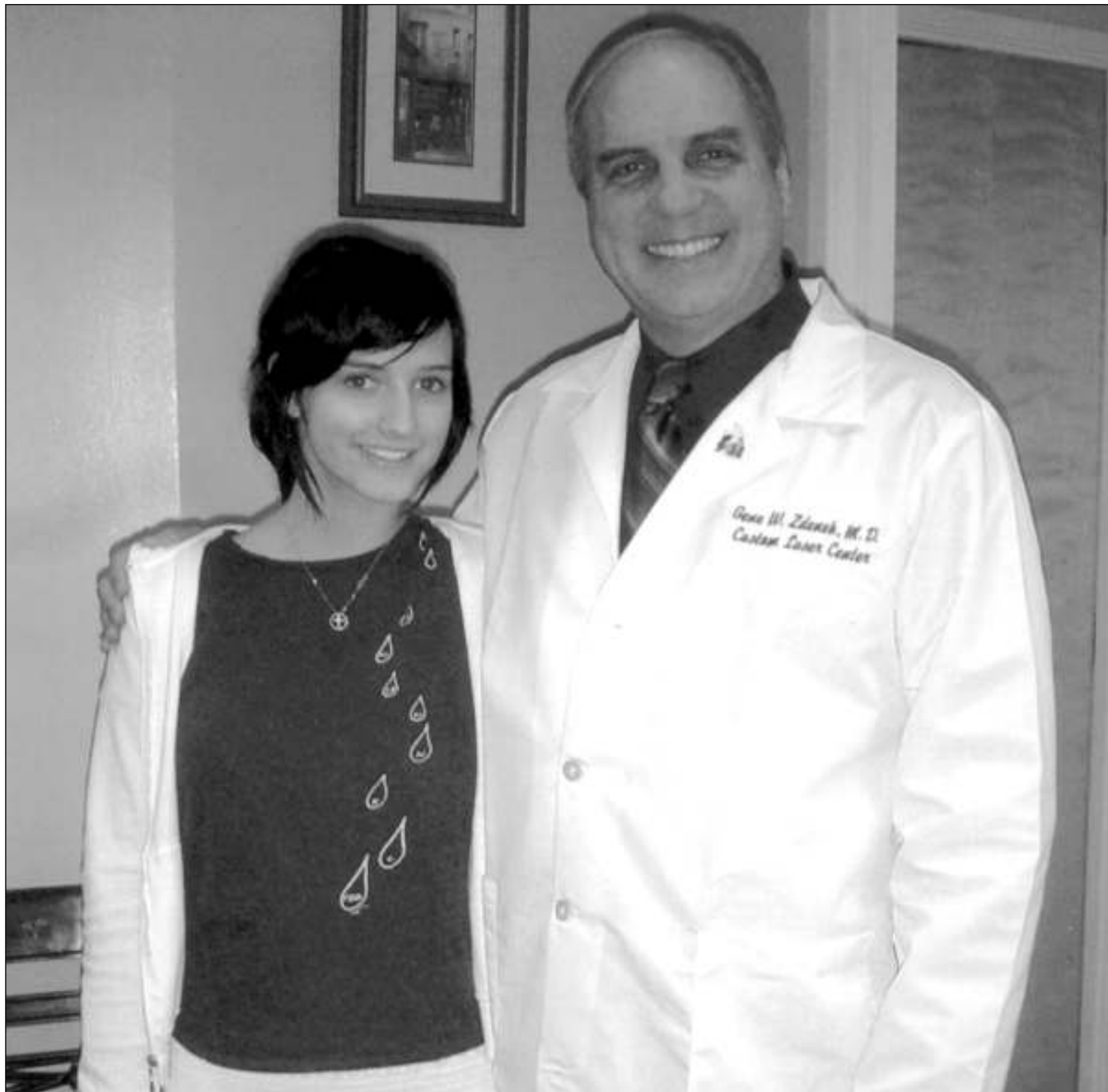
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could do an excellent job on the city's pension problems, he says.

Levitt and Turner will be paid "an absurd amount of money," says Carl DeMaio, president of the Performance Institute, a private nonprofit organization promoting government efficiency. "The Vinson & Elkins report was a whitewash," he says, and the city is on the hook to pay the firm \$3.8 million. Kroll's initial \$250,000 contract will probably grow. However, DeMaio doubts that Levitt and Turner will do another whitewash. "Their professional reputations will be on the line. If they take the city's money and kowtow, their report will be dismissed as a whitewash." That will be detrimental to their reputations on Wall Street.

Turner certainly got off on the wrong foot by drafting an *entente cordiale* letter early this month. By signing it, councilmembers, the mayor, and city officials would pledge to speak no ill of any other. "It was a letter asking for a gag order. It was a direct attempt to limit the city attorney's ability to speak," says councilmember Donna Frye, who, along with Aguirre, correctly refused to sign it.

Aguirre says he will cooperate with Turner and Levitt, "But I won't be muzzled." Such a gag letter will not fly with intelligent San Diegans. After all, the whole pension crisis came into the open because Diann Shipione, a member of the pension board, spoke out, incurring the wrath of her fellow members, as well as of city hall. What if she had signed a gag order? She opposes Turner's *omerta* order.

The gag letter is consistent with the long-embedded mentality at Marsh & McLennan, parent of Kroll. In a November 1, 2004, cover story, *Business Week* magazine in its headline called the company "arrogant and tight-lipped." In the first sentence of the article, Marsh & McLennan, often called "Marsh Mac," was portrayed as "notoriously secretive."

The company is notorious in other respects. In 2003, the Securities and Ex-

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change Commission charged Marsh Mac's Putnam mutual fund complex with securities fraud. By the end of last year, assets were down to \$204 billion from \$370 billion at year-end 2000. In March of 2004, the commission began investigating Marsh Mac's Mercer pension-consulting arm for possible "pay to play" offenses, or allegedly taking remuneration from both sides of the street when recommending investment managers to pension funds. The San Diego pension board brought in Mercer to audit its regular advisor (Callan Associates) for conflicts of interest, "and Mercer neglected to state that it was under SEC investigation for conflicts of interest," says Shipione, who complained to the pension board and city council about it last year. Mercer claimed it had made the disclosure, but Shipione said it had not.

Early this year, Marsh Mac settled insurance-bid-rigging charges by New York attorney general Eliot Spitzer for \$850 million. But the company is not out of the woods: this month the Labor Department subpoenaed its records related to employee benefit plans. Marsh Mac has had to slash employment and its dividend.

Kroll merged into Marsh Mac last year. Kroll spokesperson Jodie Rosenbloom notes that a former Kroll executive has been named chief executive of Marsh Mac "to implement reforms," including wiping away the secrecy culture. You couldn't tell it by me. She gave me phone numbers for Turner. I left two messages. He never called back. She promised to get me a number for Levitt. She didn't, and I couldn't reach him through other avenues.

There is a rumor that unless Aguirre signs the gag order, Levitt and Turner will resign their San Diego assignment. Sounds like a great idea to me. They could devote their efforts to cleaning up Marsh Mac. ■

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Choppers

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we use it for rescue and transport, too."

I am standing before Copter One at Montgomery Field. Fennessy shows me a mechanism inside the helicopter that can swivel out and drop 250 feet of one-eighth-inch cable from its doors. The cable can hold up to 600 pounds, enough to lift two people. "There is not a spot in the county that we can't reach to rescue someone with a broken leg or having a heart attack." Mercy Air is San Diego County's only licensed air-ambulance medical provider, according to Fennessy. "But we are the county's 'advanced life-support rescue' operation. In case Mercy's estimated time of arrival is too long, we are called to medical emergencies requiring the fastest transport. We have onboard defibrillators and all the drugs; everything that's in an ambulance."

The crews of the helicopters consist of Kachina's pilot, a San Diego Fire-Rescue Department captain serving as crew chief, and two firefighter/paramedics. The fire captains' pay is \$37.47 per hour or \$39.31 per hour for a 40-hour week. There are four levels of pay for San Diego firefighter-paramedics, from \$17.92 to \$29. But the firefighters are not always city employees.

Eleven other agencies in San Diego County pay for firefighter/paramedics to staff the helicopters. Today, Dennis Robinson of the Oceanside Fire Department and William Pidgeon of the Barona Fire Department are scheduled to receive training aboard Copter One. The Regional Helicopter Program operates regularly for 16 hours each day. Copter One is available from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Copter Two from 11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. "That way," according to Fennessy, "two helicopters are in service during the hottest part of the day, the time most vulnerable to fires." And the choppers substitute for each other when one of them is down. During off-hours, the program scrambles crews whenever an emergency demands it. Personnel can be assembled and ready to fly within an

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hour of a call, Fennessy says. When they are on duty but not responding to a call, they spend their time in training, both on the ground and in the air.

Because the crews work 84 hours every two weeks, their San Diego personnel receive 4 hours of overtime every pay period. Whenever emergency responses require more staffing, the fire department also pays overtime wages to personnel who have volunteered to be on a "will-work" list. With the city's current finances in disarray, overtime wages for fire captains has recently become a hot-button issue. On March 8, Kenny Anderson reported on KPBS radio that last year, two fire-department employees made more money than the city's police chief, fire chief, mayor, and city manager. One of them, he said, earned a base salary last year of \$118,000 and overtime pay of \$123,000 for a total of \$241,000. The other made \$212,000 in salary and overtime combined.

Luque tells me that Jeff Bowman decided early in his tenure as San Diego's fire chief that paying overtime was more cost-effective than hiring new full-timers who require benefits. "A lot of times, those employees would only be sitting around doing nothing," Luque says. But overtime hours are expensive in two ways: San Diego compensates them at a time-and-a-half rate, and they expand an employee's pension benefits.

Critics are unanimous that the city's pension system is the biggest culprit in San Diego's current financial woes. In a February 18 editorial titled "Share the Burden," the *San Diego Union-Tribune* called for San Diego City Firefighters and other unions to give up some of the pension benefits they have negotiated in the past several years. On Thursday, March 3, and Wednesday, March 9, I called firefighters governmental affairs representative Johnnie Perkins for comment. Twice Perkins did not answer his phone after his secretary took my name, so I left a message asking how much firefighters' overtime pay affects their city pensions. As of press time, Perkins had not returned my call. ■

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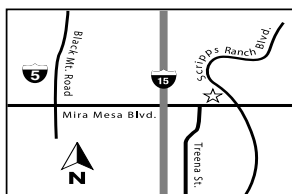


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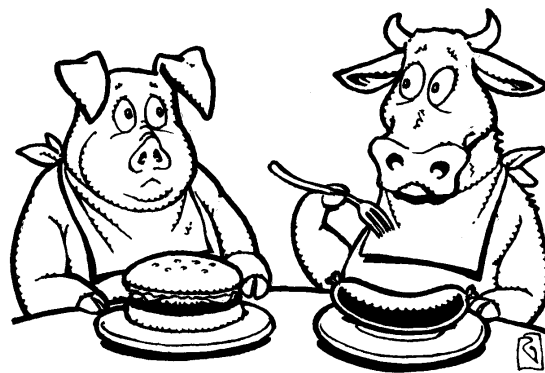
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STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

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Dear Matt:

Why do we call cow meat “beef,” pig meat “pork,” but we call chicken and fish by their names?

— SG, the beach

Let’s see. Who can we blame this one on...the French? We haven’t picked on them in a while. As luck would have it, the French is your answer, according to the Merriam-Webster word wizards. They tackled the question with relish. And a little steak sauce, maybe.

English would be a lot simpler if the French hadn’t ruled Britain a thousand years ago. Before the Normans conquered, pigs was “pigs,” cows was “cows,” and so were deer, sheep, chicken, and fish. Good old Anglo-Saxon words. You cut off a hunk and you ate it. Not good enough for the French nobility, though. They had the Anglo-Saxon serfs raising animals for the table, so out on the farm they kept their old names. But inside the big house, once the meat was butchered and served for dinner, it was referred to by its French equivalent, since it was the rich French landowners who would be eating it: *boeuf* and *poulet*, for example, which were adopted into English as “beef” and “poultry.” Same for venison, pork, and mutton, all French-derived. Fish was a common enough food for rich and poor, so the French word never took over, though some specific types of fish still have Frenchified names in the British market.

Matt:

Did you ever hear of the Great Boston Molasses Flood, sometime back in the 1920s? Lots of people drowned in a nasty, sticky, slow death. Details, please.

— Tim, not in Boston

Just my kind of disaster. Big, messy, weird, and very far away. It happened the day before the Prohibition amendment was ratified, January 15, 1919. The molasses belonged to the U.S. Industrial Alcohol Company. Between the rum and the baked-bean factories, molasses was a hot commodity in Boston. The USIA’s storage tank, a 2½ -million-gallon behemoth made of riveted steel set in concrete, was 50 feet tall and 90 feet in diameter. Topped off, the contents weighed 14,000 tons. About noon, newspaper accounts say, there was a roar, the rivets shot out, and a 15-foot wall of molasses made a beeline for downtown. (A “beeline” for molasses in Boston in January is estimated at 35 miles per hour.) When the stuff finally gurgled to a stop, the resulting blob covered several square blocks three feet deep. It had flattened workmen’s shacks, shoved houses off their foundations, smothered 21 people, and injured 150 more.

The flood was one thing. The cleanup was something else entirely. Mostly they used harbor water pumped by fireboats, then covered the residue with sand. Anyone who came in contact with the stuff spread it around the city on their hands, clothes, and shoes. The greater Boston area was reportedly one big piece of flypaper for months as people spread the stickiness into the suburbs. The smell lasted for years.

In the ensuing court case, explanations for the explosion ranged from Bolshevik bombs to fermentation. The judge blamed the company for shoddy maintenance. A few years ago, there was a similar molasses disaster in Nebraska, this time a million-gallon tank. The goo never made it off the company’s property, though. It knocked down a couple of small buildings and glued three or four people to their workstations for a while.

Heymatt:

I found an owl feather and stuck it in my hatband. At the store, some old lady accosted me and said I had to take it out because it was illegal. Huh? Explanation, please.

— Ned the Confused

I don’t think the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has a SWAT team, so you’re probably safe. But the lady was right. The Migratory Bird Treaty Act sez, re: all protected birds: no pursuing, hunting, killing, capturing, possessing, buying, selling, purchasing, or bartering. And hat covers the whole bird or any parts, nests, eggs, or “products.” Products? Protected bird doo? Well, their point is to be comprehensive. Did you find the feather on the ground? Did you wrestle the owl into submission and rip it out? Can’t be proved. So USFWS figures, just make everything illegal and that will solve the problem. By the way, you can put sparrow, starling, or common city pigeon feathers in your hat. Same for pheasant, grouse, or other game birds. They’re not protected under the treaty.

Matt:

My girlfriend claims that black olives are harvested later than the green olives and that they’re actually the ripe form of the olive. I say no. Settle the argument.

— Chris, the net

Hate to see lovers break up over minor edibles. With minor exceptions, canned California black olives are picked green and processed in diluted lye to remove the natural bitter flavor. Then they’re rinsed, aerated to oxidize the green fruit and turn it brown-black, and treated with ferrous gluconate to fix the color and further reduce the olive tang. Guess Chris’s friend never tasted a tree-ripened olive. It’ll take the enamel off your teeth. Just as inedible as the raw, unprocessed green guys.

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Baseball Takes The Pledge

Yes, news consumers have moved on. The televised congressional hearing produced 48 hours of press/video roar; it was a crossover story, headlined on the front page and sports page, but then it was back to Michael Jackson or on to Terri Schiavo and NCAA basketball. News is a gluttonous predator, and there is never enough food. But before we join the herd, let's hold here for a moment and consider what just happened.

A large organization, shielded from public scrutiny, is, after many years of perceived wrongdoing, invited to testify before a congressional committee. The organization's leaders and star employees decline to appear. The committee threatens subpoenas. The other side lawyered up, and those lawyers say they will fight committee subpoenas in court if any are issued. Subpoenas are issued and committee leaders say they will bring contempt of Congress charges against every person who does not appear. Executives and star employees reluctantly show up. Executives deny there is a problem and say they are dealing with the problem brilliantly. Star employees request immunity, deny using steroids, or refuse to talk about the past, save for one ex-employee, a whistle-blower, who is characterized by the rest as a liar.

The committee also requested documents from the organization. That went nowhere. The committee subpoenaed documents, the bulk of which — not all — were turned over hours before the subpoena's deadline came due. Turned out the documents proved that executives were lying. What the executives said in public was opposite of what they had agreed upon between themselves. When confronted with this fact, executives said that what was written and approved by them and representatives of their star employees was "a drafting error."

News quiz. Am I talking about Enron, the Mafia, or the tobacco industry?

Commissioner of baseball Bud Selig, prodded by credible congressional threats backed by the prospect of imminent congressional action, announced in January that after heroic and unprecedented efforts, the owners and players union had reopened their collective-bargaining agreement and inserted stiff drug-testing procedures and severe penalties. Now, the first time a player tested positive he would receive a mandatory ten-day suspension along with the publication of the offender's name. Selig told the nation, "We had a problem and we dealt with the problem." Two months later he told the House Committee on Government Reform, "I am proud of the progress baseball has made on the subject of steroids and performance-enhancing

drugs and look forward to sharing this information with the committee. The players stepped up this past January for an even stricter drug policy beginning this season, demonstrating that all of us in baseball are committed to reaching zero tolerance."

Subpoenaed documents show Selig lied. The actual contract language said, after a player tested positive the first time, the penalty would *either* be a ten-day suspension or *up to a \$10,000 fine*. A player who is fined would not be identified. Second-time offenders would be suspended 30 days or fined \$25,000, third-time offenders would be suspended 60 days or fined \$50,000, and fourth-time offenders would be suspended one year or fined \$100,000. You could be busted four times and never have your name made public. As for the \$100,000, Barry Bonds made \$18 million in 2004.

That was reported widely. As was the heroic and unprecedented action the owners and players association took in re-opening their collective-bargaining agreement three days after being flayed to the bone by Congress. Baseball thugs inserted language that made a ten-day suspension mandatory after the first positive test.

But what was not reported widely was the rest of the bargaining agreement, which is at least as slimy as the mandatory-suspension-actually-means-a-ten-dollar-fine-and-pat-on-the-back clause baseball tried to slip by us while we were watching Texas Tech thump UCLA. The new agreement also states that baseball would not test for all the drugs Olympic competitors are tested for. Baseball would omit human-growth hormones, amphetamines, and even some types of steroids. The testing would be done by a company hired by baseball and overseen by representatives of baseball owners and baseball players.

Written into the agreement is a caring clause that says if a player is called upon to give a urine sample and is unable to bring forth urine, the poor lad will be allowed to leave the testing area for a period of time in order to buy a clean sample of urine from someone else. Oops, got a little ahead of myself there. That's not true, the player will be allowed to leave the testing area, *unescorted*, and return when his bladder is ready to comply.

The agreement states that owners and players "shall resist any government investigation by all reasonable and appropriate means including, when necessary, initiation and prosecution of legal proceedings." Both sides pledge to rat out the government if either one discovers that a government investigation is under way. If that be the case, both sides pledge to immediately suspend drug testing.

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Schimmel serves as the area director of InterVarsity, an evangelical ministry that serves more than 560 college and university campuses nationwide. Schimmel graduated from the University of San Diego with degrees in accounting and finance, but opted for full-time campus ministry. “People need a Savior and I love communicating this. I want to make this message simple and relevant to students,” said Schimmel. “Last year, 61 people at USD came to Christ. This year, Schimmel estimates that 40 to 50 people have accepted Jesus as their Savior.” Schimmel believes he can make the message of Jesus relevant because he understands college life and in his talks with students, uses examples from life in the dorms, problems that emerge in dating, and the messages propagated by popular movies. “Students don’t have a long attention span to listen to a 45-minute talk. So, for my last talk, I used *Napoleon Dynamite*, because college kids love this movie and they pay attention to what I am saying.”

Thursday nights, InterVarsity hosts a time to sing worship songs and hear a speaker. A band opened with the songs “Breathe,” “Take My Heart,” and “Better Is One Day.” After a few announcements, Christy Sardachuk, a senior, spoke on “Loving God through Serving Others.” Sardachuk said that American culture and Christian culture teach us that everything is about ourselves. “In the evangelical culture, we invite Jesus into our hearts and believe it no longer matters what we do. We all say we are saved by grace but we are afraid to use the word ‘works’ because we are paranoid that people will associate this with salvation.” Sardachuk quoted Ephesians 2:10, which says that Christians are saved by good works. “As people, we need to stop believing the lie that the world exists for me,” Sardachuk told the students that they are called to serve and suffer—a model that Christ demonstrated while He was on earth.

After the service, students socialized. Joey, a student, said InterVarsity is half Protestant and

half Catholic. I asked Joey about misconceptions Protestants have of Catholics. “People think Catholics worship Mary. I do believe Catholics overemphasize Mary, but I think Protestants under-emphasize her,” Scott Schimmel added, “Evangelicals are so afraid of talking about Mary because of the Catholics. We ignore the fact that she is a great example of faith. There is a high respect for Mary in the Catholic tradition.” Schimmel believes a lot of Evangelicals wrongly assume Catholics worship Mary. “It’s only older people who ask these types of questions about Mary. Students don’t care about this stuff. What they really care about is whether God is relevant for them.”

I asked Schimmel what he has learned from the Catholic Church. “I respect the tradition in the Catholic Church and the high respect for God. This feels very distinct from the Protestant churches. Protestants act as if Jesus is their best friend; He’s their buddy. But for Catholics, God is God. He is their father and they respect Him,” Schimmel replied.

Katie McDaniel is raising support money to be on the USD InterVarsity staff. McDaniel spoke

about her experience as a Protestant on a Catholic campus. “I’ve learned a lot from the Catholic tradition. They have a passion for social justice and a reverence for God that shows. At USD, we are interested in Catholic and Protestant reconciliation.” McDaniel said that the USD InterVarsity program is looked at across the nation as an example of cooperation. InterVarsity works closely with the university ministry office on campus. “On other campuses, there is a lot of conflict between Catholics and Protestants. A lot of this boils down to misunderstandings and stereotypes. Protestants think Catholics worship Mary or that Catholics practice their faith without a passion. On the flip side, Catholics look at Protestants and think we are overemotional and that we don’t have an authentic faith. Or there are stereotypes about salvation. The stereotype is that Protestants look at salvation as a one-moment

thing, that once Protestants are saved, they can do whatever they want, while Catholics have to work for their salvation.” McDaniel said her desire is to raise up world-changers. “I want to teach students how to study truth and how to know the truth in the Bible,” said McDaniel. McDaniel emphasized that she wants the students to take this into the world and make a difference for Jesus.

I asked Scott Schimmel what happens to people after they die. “I’m at a place in my life where all I can say is ‘I’m Scott; I don’t know.’ My grandparents died recently and they weren’t practicing Christians. I do not know where they are. I believe in a good, loving God, who loved them. So, my hope is that they are in heaven. My hope is that everyone is in heaven. But I don’t know. I do believe in Hell, I just don’t know who is going there,” replied Schimmel. “Students are not concerned about death. They are immortal in their own eyes. If I were to talk about death, this isn’t even on their radar screen. They want to hear about what Jesus has to do with their life today,” said Schimmel.

— Drew E. Goodmanson



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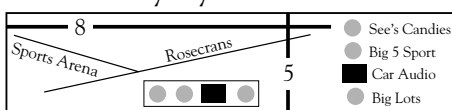
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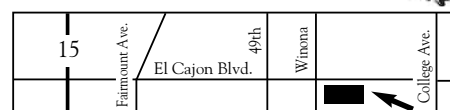
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Dear Saffron,

I have managed to paint myself into a scary corner of life. I am a 61-year-old healthy female. I have been unemployed for almost a year. I worked at a family-owned company for many years. Although the job didn't pay a lot, it allowed me to pay the bills and live an independent life. This company went out of business and my life changed. I collected a small unemployment check and worked a 20-hour-a-week job after that, but both ended quite a while ago. Since then I have had no income. I have reluctantly begun living on my small savings and it is almost gone. If I were completely desperate I'd be doing telemarketing right now, but that is my very last resort. I have had a lot of experience interacting with people. I would love to be a personal assistant for a busy person or a gofer for a busy company (or perhaps a disabled person). Advice?

DOWN-AND-OUT IN BANKER'S HILL

Dear Down-and-Out,

I'm sorry about the problems you've had. The Employment Development Department has a job service line at 619-266-4200. They may be able to assist you. The San Diego Workforce Partnership at 619-238-1445 offers job training for laid-off workers. They might have something to offer as well. If you look in the yellow pages under "Employment Agencies," you'll see scores of ads and hundreds of listings for businesses that link up all kinds of workers with temporary, part-time, and full-time jobs. Many of them don't charge the applicant (only the business that hires them). Readers of this column have proven to be a wonderful source of information. If any of them write in with tips that might be of use in your job quest, I will happily print them.

Dear Saffron,

During the recent heavy rains my house leaked. I had to hire a company that deals with water damage to dry out carpets and floors that got soaked. They sent a "technician" out and he set up a bunch of industrial-sized air blowers and dehumidifiers in the room where the leaks occurred. I paid a deposit of half their high fee up front and was supposed to pay the balance when the job was finished. The technician told me that he would come back in 24 hours and check that everything was drying properly and that the equipment was working correctly. He was supposed to come back 48 hours after that and collect his equipment and put the room back in order. He never showed up again — or called, like he'd promised — so I called the company. As of this writing I've not seen him or anyone else from the company again.

I had to check on everything myself and eventually I went ahead and disconnected all the machines because everything seemed dry by the third day and these contraptions run up enormous energy bills. Every day I've called the company to ask them to come get their equipment and haul away this ruined carpet they removed, per our agreement. They say they're coming to do these things, or that they'll call me back, but no one ever does. Their equipment has been in my family room for nine days now. I can't use the family room with all these big pieces of machinery in it. I'm mad. I don't think I got good or proper service from this company, and I don't feel I should have to pay the balance of what I supposedly owe them when they set up a bunch of equipment and abandoned it and me. What should I do? Do I have to pay for what I didn't get?

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Dear Disgruntled,

Call this lame outfit and politely ask to speak to the manager or supervisor or owner. Be nice but firm. You've called enough times that you need to go higher up the chain of command so you can get this resolved and get your family room back. Explain that the reason you need to speak to the manager is that you have a serious problem with a bill. When you talk to someone in charge, lay out the facts as you did in your letter and try to work out an agreement. Maybe you can come to a compromise and pay a small portion of the balance — not the full amount, as there is no way that you received the service you were going to pay for. Instead, excuse the pun, you got left high and dry.

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'Beauty hurts," was my husband Patrick's first response to the news that I was considering a bikini wax. My confidence boosted by a successful campaign to rid myself of 15 excess pounds, I was making plans to trade in my skirt-bottomed swimsuit for a sassy two-piece. "Never mind the high heels, the control-top hose, and the tweezing," continued Patrick. "Now you're looking to get hairs melted into wax and ripped out of your body." I put on a brave face and brushed him aside, reminding him that he liked the way I looked and dressed, but he spooked me with the waxing talk. I needed reassurance.



A good friend had raved about the treatment her skin received at 20/20 Skin in Sorrento Valley (858-450-9191, www.2020skin.com), so I decided to pay them a visit for a little pre-waxing tutorial. Owners Lynne Warner and Elizabeth Allen greeted me and gave me a preview. "You're greeted, then ushered back and given a place to change," said Warner. "We take a brief written profile of the client's skin and health conditions. We want to check for products or conditions that might make them supersensitive and literally unwaxable. Specifically, acne medications or topical ointments used to bleach the skin. Or if they've recently been tanning. Those things make the skin more sensitive, so that the waxing is more likely to lift skin instead of just hair."

In the waxing room, said Warner, "The bed has waxing paper on it, and there's a heated blanket. A drape is provided for additional privacy. There's a fan that we can have on your face — some people get nervous or sensitive," and the cool air helps calm things down.

Once in the waxing room, I encountered warm vibes, inviting aromas, and esthetician Sommer. "I try to be really sensitive to the client," she said, "and to get a feel for them, based on whether they've had any waxing done. If not, I assure them I'm going to be really gentle and slow. I do a little test patch of the area to give them an idea of what it's like."

The area in question — the part that gets waxed in the \$30 bikini wax — "covers a squared-off area on the very upper thighs and the pelvic region. I provide a disposable spa thong for you to wear. That way, we don't mess up your own undergarments, and it allows me to better access the area. I can slide the thong around to customize the waxing. The ideal hair length for waxing is a quarter-inch. If it's longer, I trim it. Then I clean the area and put on an epilating powder, which isolates the hairs and absorbs any excess skin oil."

When it comes to waxes, said Sommer, "there's a variety. Some are cream-based, and some are honey-based. I prefer the honey wax; it grabs the coarser hair and gives you a nice clean wax. The cream waxes are for more

*"As the hair regrows, it's
softer, finer, and more sparse."*

sensitive skin; that's what you would use on the person's face — or other areas, depending on the person's sensitivity. Honey wax is made with honey; it looks like honey. It's heated, but at a pretty low temperature. I describe the sensation as 90-degree weather against your skin."

During the procedure, "I apply the wax in a very, very thin layer with a wooden spatula, held at a 45-degree angle. Then I apply a muslin cloth over the wax with a light patting motion. After that, I stretch the skin nice and tight with firm pressure, and rip in the opposite direction. Immediately afterward, I apply pressure — to take away sensation. The nerve endings are going a little haywire, and applying pressure diffuses the nerve endings."

Sommer said she was careful to get all the hair and wax off on the first try, so as to avoid going back over areas. "That's a chronic problem," added Warner, "rewaxing an area that's already been waxed. The skin can only tolerate so much. It's unpleasant to have an area redone; it's painful, and can lift skin. Also, our post-treatment oils clean off all the wax, so you don't stick your way out of here."

Still a bit anxious, I asked if it wouldn't be easier just to shave. Sommer was ready for me. "The benefit of waxing is that the skin is left incredibly soft and baby-smooth — a lot more so, because you're taking the hair out of the follicle. You don't leave a little lump around the root, because

you've taken the root out. The area may be a little pink or tender afterward, so I go over it with soothing azulene oil. Within 30 minutes to an hour, you're back to normal. And with waxing, you're gradually collapsing the hair follicles. With shaving, the area immediately grows back coarser and thicker — sometimes, you have two hairs growing from one follicle."

Waxing, said Sommer, leaves the skin smooth "for about three weeks," though owner Warner noted that "if it's a person's first waxing, there's a crop of baby hairs coming in right behind, so you might have to re-wax sooner." After that, "there's more time between each wax." Added Sommer, "There are different stages of hair growth. You have hairs that are already out, hairs that are in the follicle and on their way, and hairs that are forming in the follicle. With waxing, you're training all the hairs to grow at once. And as the hair regrows, it's softer, finer, and more sparse."

There was the matter of "styling" to attend to. "Most women," said Sommer, "want the hair removed that would be exposed by a bathing suit. Some ask for the *Playboy* look, which is a landing strip, so to speak — just a very thin line, maybe three-quarters of an inch wide. Sometimes, they want a little arrow, kind of a triangle pointing down."

After the session, said Sommer, "I tell people to exfoliate for a few days, to prevent ingrown hairs. If you don't exfoliate, hairs get trapped under dead skin."

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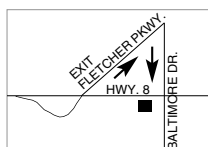
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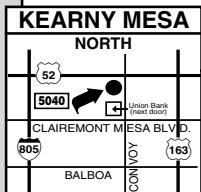
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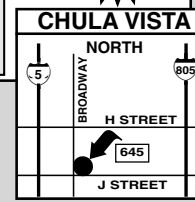
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There is a bulletin board, after a fashion, on the front door to Ashley's Market on Paseo Delicias, the main street in Rancho Santa Fe. Next to the five-by-seven-inch card advertising the sale of a half-Welsh, half-Shetland pony is an ad for the sale of a used pair of black field boots made by the Dehner company. The used boots are selling for \$225. Interested parties can contact Bob or Jan in the market. This is not your common community bulletin board, but neither is Rancho Santa Fe your common residential community.

— CITY LIGHTS: "ROBERT YOUNG HEAVES SANKA JARS AT TRESPASSERS," Mark Orwoll, March 27, 1980

Twenty Years Ago

Sunny Saturday at the Pannikin in La Jolla. It's international cosmopolitan chic as always, men and ladies with Iacocca genes, who each morning step into clothes that make them look like they've stepped out of a full-page glossy advertisement in *Vanity Fair* magazine.

Harley Gaber, seated in a corner sipping apple juice, is interested in *seeing*. "Look at that girl in the white sitting underneath the tree," says Gaber, a La Jolla artist. "Observe the shadows on her back and face," he says, "the mole on her cheek, the dark brown hair, the lipstick blending into rouge on her cheeks, the shape of the eyes, the curve of the nose."

— "THE CHALLENGE OF HARLEY GABER," Stephen Meyer, March 28, 1985

Fifteen Years Ago

Hi, Danny Bro. Bet you thought I was dead, huh? Haw haw. Fooled you all. You can tell Pa his oldest boy is still a hobo and enjoying every minute of it. The Japs and Germans couldn't sock me down, and they haven't yet made the yard bull that can, neither.

I'm right outside of Bagtown — that's San Diego to you, bub. Got here last night, along with a load of winter lettuce from the Imperial Valley. The ride was free, and why shouldn't it be? Hell, I probably helped picked the stuff!

I guess you want to hear about my trip on this here luxury train. The line is the San Diego & Arizona Railway — SD&A. The other hobos say it stands for "Slow, Dirty, & Aggravating."

— "RAILS," Joe Daley, March 29, 1990

Ten Years Ago

San Diego city officials, and especially Mayor Susan Golding, were so eager to get the Republicans to hold their 1996 convention here that they anted up a king's ransom,



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— CITY LIGHTS: "G.O.P.'S TAXING CONTRACT WITH SAN DIEGO," Thomas K. Arnold, March 23, 1995

Five Years Ago

I am pregnant with my fifth child.

In the weeks after that Saturday, the idea of another baby started to tug at me. I'd find myself paging through our photo albums looking for the pictures of my children's births. Before Christmas, we had a family portrait taken for our parish directory.... As I stared at the photo, I saw, in the way the children were arranged, a space on the floor between Johnny and Angela. "Room for another baby" came into my head like someone whispering over my shoulder.

When I found out I was pregnant in mid-January, I told Jack. We were standing in the entryway of our house after a Saturday trip to Costco. I'd bought a home pregnancy test and used it as soon as I'd gotten home. "Remember your birthday?" I asked Jack.

He nodded absentmindedly.

"You got a much bigger present than you thought."

Jack looked perplexed for a moment. When I pointed to my belly, tears came to Jack's eyes. "You're kidding," he said.

"Nope." While the girls danced around us asking, "What? What?" Jack held me tight and twirled me around the living room.

— KID STUFF: "JACK GOT A MUCH BIGGER PRESENT THAN HE THOUGHT," Anne Albright, March 23, 2000



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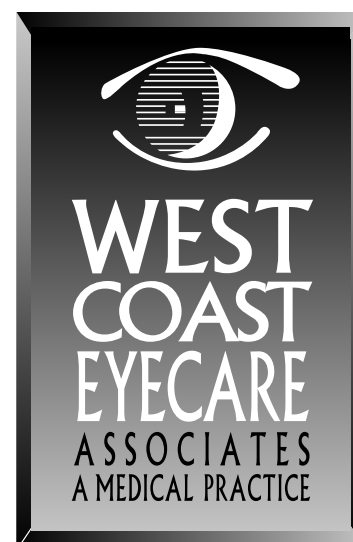


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BAD AS THEY WANNA BE

by Josh Board

I got a call from Alisha Brophy, who told me about an art show party she was having. When she said it was for "bad art," I was really intrigued. She and her friends were collecting bad pieces of art. To attend the party, you were supposed to bring something bad. They would invite people to a gallery a few weeks later and auction the pieces off.

My first thought was that bad art probably wouldn't sell. Alisha explained, "We are doing this to raise money for the tsunami victims. We're giving it to UNICEF. So we're hoping people look at it as donations for them, and bid on art they like or want for whatever reason."

I remembered having seen a guy outside Balboa Park who sold airplanes made out of aluminum cans. They actually looked cool, but I figured a biplane made from Budweiser cans would be perfect for the "bad art" party. Of course, the Saturday I went to find him, he wasn't around. I was told he was only there every other weekend. So I went to Spanish Village in Balboa Park, where there are a variety of art shops. I found an ugly green frog with purple eyes. It was made of glass and held pens in the back and business cards in the front. It was \$25, so I bought it. As I was paying for it, I told the



woman at the register it was for a bad art show. I didn't want her thinking this thing was for me. She laughed and said, "Most of the pieces in this shop I made. I'm glad that's not one of them, or I would've been insulted."

I talked with another interesting artist in Spanish Village. Her shop sells baskets that she makes. We came up with what would surely be the hit of the party. It was a grapefruit around which she wrapped a chain and padlock. She put it on a little

"Has your grapefruit been naughty?"

stand and titled it "Grapefruit in Bondage." As I walked through Balboa Park carrying my pieces of "art," one woman stopped me and asked, "Has your grapefruit been naughty?"

That night, when I arrived at the party, Alisha was stoked



Top: Colin on left, Alisha Brophy in middle; bottom left: high bidder with her broken Slinky; bottom right: bad art

about the frog. It quickly got a \$25 bid. She thought the grapefruit was stupid. I tried explaining, "This is bad art, isn't it?" Of course, it started to occur to me that not only was it bad art, but it was bad art that would only last a few weeks until the grape-

fruit went bad.

When I walked into the gallery, they had TV sets by the door showing weird videos with swirling colors. One guy brought in a VCR and was showing really bad movies as his contribution to bad art. I had originally thought

about doing a giant poster with bad song lyrics painted on it. But when I thought of songs like "The Name Game," "In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida," and the America song "Ventura Highway" (where they sing about alligator lizards in the air), or their song "Horse with No Name" in which they sing "rocks and birds and snakes and things" and "the heat was hot." But I figured young people wouldn't even know these songs.

I saw a disco ball hanging from the ceiling. It had rusted bedsprings all around it.

Of course, someone had brought the painting of dogs playing poker. Alisha told me,

"Someone said that the original painting of this sold for three million dollars at Sotheby's." They could've gotten this replica cheaper. The bid was up to \$45.

There was a teddy bear that had a \$25 bid. An ugly unicorn picture, with lots of colors around it, didn't get any bids.

There was no Elvis on velvet, but several paintings of Jesus on velvet. The strangest one was Jesus above an 18-wheel truck. Many at the party voted that the worst painting there.

And someone made sunflowers out of yarn.

There was a hysterical painting of a lazy dog on a couch with food all around him. It looked like something cartoonist Gary Larson would draw. Someone walked by and said, "Look at the picture on the wall." In it a dog had a picture on the wall of another dog's tail and butt. We all cracked up.

I heard one couple looking at a piece of art. The girl said, "This piece should be burned. It's horrible." The guy replied, "That might enhance it."

Alisha came over and said, "Did you see the clown paintings?" She showed me one of an evil-looking clown. Another had clowns in a carriage. She said, "You can't have a bad art show without some clown paintings."

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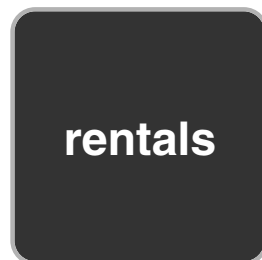
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Alisha moved here after attending school in Berkeley. When I told her about my idea for the bad song lyrics, I mentioned William Hung, the Asian guy who was made fun of on *American Idol* after singing "She Bangs" by Ricky Martin. He ended up becoming famous for being so bad. Alisha said, "I went to school with him. He worked in the cafeteria and we used to think he was slow. There was a friend of mine he had a crush on. When there was a talent show, he sang a song. It wasn't Ricky Martin though. Some people laughed, but I think they felt bad for him. He got all this applause, and we couldn't believe when we saw him in that *American Idol*."

Alisha then told me about a reality show she was recently involved in. It was called *How I Look* and they gave her a complete makeover, including a new wardrobe.

I went to get a glass of wine and saw a woman had stacked up eight of the corks. I said, "We should glue these together. We can add it to this bad art." She laughed and then rearranged them in a more interesting pattern.

As I was walking away with my wine, a woman came up and said, "Hi, Josh. Do you remember me?" I didn't. She said, "I am in that band the Ho Bags. You did a story on us." Luckily I remem-

bered she was the bass player. Her boyfriend (who looked like Robert Plant) and I talked about music for a while.

One painting I liked was a real flower on a painting of a present. It looked like a Jackson Pollock. Alisha told me her friend Nichole MacDonald had created it. When Nichole showed up, we talked a little about art. She had a lot of interesting stories about a variety of topics. But I'd had a migraine that morning, and my medication had me in a funk. I wasn't taking notes. I just hoped I'd remember stuff as I sat down to write this. Unfortunately, I can't remember a thing she told me.

Looking at her painting reminded me of a recent story where a woman bought a Jackson Pollock painting at a thrift store for \$5. It didn't fit in the trailer she lived in, so she left it outside. Someone saw it and thought it might be a Pollock. It was. She then sold it for millions. Her neighbor was mad, since it was given to her as a gift. She didn't like the painting and had returned it to her friend. The moral: Never look a gift horse in the mouth. And never give a bad painting back without first going onto eBay.

I suggested that if we wrote some famous artists' names in the corners of some of this bad art, it would quickly be considered good

art. I've said for years that abstract art was just a big sham.

One of the guys who helped get this event going was Jamie Bacher. He and Alisha hit many garage sales in order to get some of the paintings. I heard Jamie telling one guy, "I love fish. But not in art. Fish in an aquarium are nice. Fish on my plate at dinner. But I don't like fish in art." The painting he was looking at was bad. I also found out that this art show was originally going to be at Jamie's place, but they didn't think they'd have enough room. So they had it at the Actors Alliance on Adams Avenue. They were charged \$15 an hour.

There was a donkey picture that said "5 pesos an ass." I also saw a poster of a bullfighter getting struck by a horn that was an advertisement for a hotel chain. They actually bought that from the hotel for \$5.

There were two pairs of jeans with paint all over them. Someone told me, "Those were my friend's. He actually wore those to work, and that's how they got that way."

As I was looking at the jeans two guys passed me. One said, "I might buy those if I knew the size. I want to make sure they'd fit." His friend said, "Did you see that painting of Jesus blessing the semi? Maybe the

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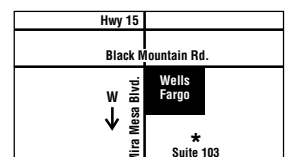
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trucker was on a mission from God."

I saw a few plastic masks on the wall. I asked Alisha about them. She said, "They were at the 99 cent store, but I talked them down to 50 cents."

I went outside to smoke a cigar and was talking about movies with some guys. One of them had just gotten back from England, where he saw Christian Slater in a stage production of *One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest*. The next day, I read in the paper that Slater's bodyguard was stabbed by a crazy fan after one of the performances.

A few people were going to the Ould Sod down the street for a beer. We

were drinking wine (and I kept wondering if the cops driving by would do anything), but we decided to also head over to the Sod. I felt bad for Jamie and Alisha and everyone else who had to take everything down and clean up the place.

A lady named Sara who I met at the party told me she was the karaoke queen of Texas. She actually won that title in a competition. I asked what was the prize and was told, "A \$75 bar tab." I got to hear her sing "Hit Me with Your Best Shot" before going home.

I went to the gallery for the actual bad art show weeks later. It was in North Park at the Acoustic Expres-

sions store on University. It's a music store with a big warehouse area. They donated the space.

Alisha said, "Let me show you a few of the new pieces we got." One was a naked woman eating an apple painted onto a mirror. Alisha laughed and said, "You missed our live auction. We had a broken Slinky that didn't have any bids. Once we started the live auction, there was a small bidding war. It started at a dollar, and two people were going back and forth. It ended up selling for \$10."

Later I saw the girl walking around with this tangled mess. I said, "What are you going to do with it?"

Are you going to try to fix it? Are you going to display it somewhere?" She just laughed.

Alisha spotted an ugly jug and decided that since it didn't have any bids, she'd do a live auction. It was a yellowish color, with pearls around it. Alisha said, "Who knows? These could be real pearls. And the person at the thrift store who sold it to me told me it was on the set of *That '70s Show*. It was an episode that never ran." Everyone laughed. A woman bought it for \$19. Alisha said, "Maybe I should take the price tag off it so you don't know how bad you got screwed."

I was told they had

gone to garage sales that morning to look for Christmas lights to hang up. They ended up finding boxes of lights for \$6. They also found a homemade lamp composed of different pieces of bent-up metal. Colin, one of the guys I talked movies with at the last party, told me, "It was embarrassing, because the woman who made this lamp was selling it to us. We didn't want to tell her it was for a bad art show."

I saw my Grapefruit in Bondage sitting without a grapefruit. Jamie had sent me an e-mail saying the grapefruit needed to be replaced and I asked him to pick one up before the show. He thought I would bring

one. I have to say the piece isn't as powerful with just a chain and lock.

I found out that Colin was the original owner of the painting of Jesus and the 18-wheeler. It was in his bathroom, but he thought it was so bad he wanted to display it. Alisha and Jamie then decided to create this event. But by the end of the night, after a few too many beers, Colin decided he didn't want to part with it. He outbid the highest bidder and got it back for \$50.

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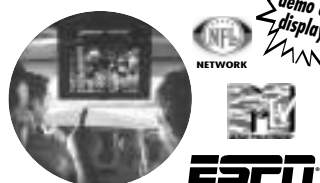
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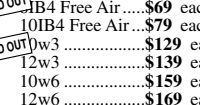
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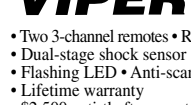
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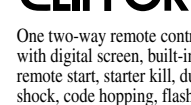


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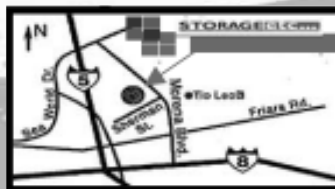
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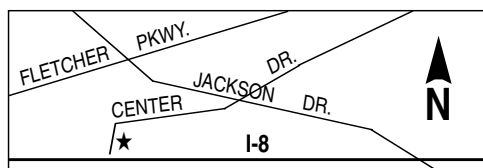
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Last week, David received a package FedExed overnight from New York. Curious about a possible gift for me, I hovered over him as he sliced open the box with a razor. When he cut through the space-aged, climate-control wrapping, I nearly passed out from the

stench of what smelled like a combination of sweaty sneakers and vomit.

"The cheese has arrived!" David declared. "We need to act quickly, there's no time! This cheese is at its peak of perfection!" I gazed into the box at the source of my sudden nausea. Five small hunks — the first of four cheese installments David ordered through the *Rosengarten Report* — stared

back. David Rosengarten is a food expert, and my David subscribes to his newsletter.

Rosengarten and a team of experts aged a selection of cheeses with the precision and care of J. Lo's handler. Every hour, according to their individual needs, the cheeses were brushed with salt, spritzed with grappa (an Italian brandy made from grape skins), patted down, and rubbed with oil. We rushed to the store for cheese accessories — wine for pairing, fruit for nibbling, necessary crackers, and baguettes from Bread & Cie. Our final stop was Whole Foods, where we procured the same types of cheese under the assumption

that the Whole Foods cheese had not undergone the rigorous East Coast training program. This cheese would be placed next to its pampered counterpart for comparison.

When we returned home, David grabbed the landline, I grabbed my cell, and we began dialing. I called Grace (who hates cheese) because she'd enjoy the wine while her husband Ben sampled the flavored curd. David was on the line with his friend Jamie when I made contact with Kip. "Kip, we have a cheese emergency! Can we count on you?" He didn't even ask for an explanation before confirming himself and Renee. There was no need to call Ollie — he was sitting in the chair next to David. We tried to limit the number of people for the emergency cheese fest, for this was the beta test of what is to be a total of four parties (one for each of the monthly cheese installments).

Finished with his calls, David labeled the cheeses with the little plastic cards that came with the package. I decided the outfit I was wearing — black velvet pants and a pink sweater with a pink rabbit-fur collar — would suit the occasion just fine. While David designed the spread, I went hunting to find and light the candles he'd placed around our home. Ollie "helped" by following me around and blowing out each candle as I lit it. "Stop it!" I'd light another one. *Ffoooof*, out it

would go. "STOP IT!" I'd light another one. *Ffoof*, out it would go. Our argument came to a halt when we had pushed our way into the kitchen, wrestling over the long, red click-stick lighter.

"Would you two..." David snapped, yanking the lighter away from us.

Tea lights in small glass containers lined the wooden staircase. I found more candles by the windows, in the bathroom, and throughout the kitchen and living room areas. Cheese biographies were spread around. These information sheets, as thorough and specific as the information one might receive upon "adopting" an Ethiopian child for a dollar a day, had also come in the package.

David poured wine for friends as they arrived. "You're going to try the Stilton? Here's a glass of port. Goat cheese for you, Ben? Try the Sancerre; I think you'll appreciate the combination." I stuck with Stilton, a kind of sharp blue cheese. After a bite of the Stilton we had gotten at Whole Foods, I understood the importance of aging: there was no comparison; Rosengarten's Stilton was divine. Moans of appreciation escaped the mouths of our guests. As the wine and cheese flowed, I found myself relaxing for the first time in over a month.

David, my beloved food snob, has been trying to broaden my taste-bud horizons ever

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since our second date; he refuses to accept that it is possible for someone to be content with a limited experience in any facet of life. For this I love him, but as one who is quite happy with her tastes, I admit that his pushing for me to have the same zest for food exploration as he does can sometimes get annoying.

David was happy to see me enjoying the fancy tastes, but he noticed I hadn't touched either of the two stinky cheeses.

"Come on, just a bite," David prodded.

"Absolutely not. That smelly crap is going nowhere near my nose, let alone my mouth," I said.

"You might like it."

"Highly doubtful." A few heads nodded in agreement with me.

"You won't like it, Barb," Stephanie said from behind David. "You should stick with the Stilton."

David's frustration was evident. Gesturing toward the runny, repugnant, and offensive comestible, he said, "What if you tried this and you really liked it? It might be your new favorite food!"

"No way." I was steadfast in my conviction that if it smells bad, it will taste bad — something I'd learned years earlier when Stephanie insisted I try kimchi, a Korean dish prepared by seasoning cabbage and burying it in a hole where it is allowed to rot until it's ready to be dug up for serving. I brought this up in my defense, but David, a kimchi eater, stood his ground.

Trying a new tactic, he said, "It's too boring to eat the same thing all the time. Would you watch the same movie over and over?"

"I have."

"Yes, but would you watch only one movie for the rest of your life?"

"My food intake is not limited to one movie," I said, following his analogy. "Let's say a chicken dish is like a chick flick. You can serve chicken a thousand different ways, but in the end, I know I'm getting chicken, and I know that I like chicken. In a chick flick

there's going to be conflict and maybe I'll cry, but in the end, I know the girl will get the guy. Beef could be action flicks — the hero *always* wins. See where I'm going with this?"

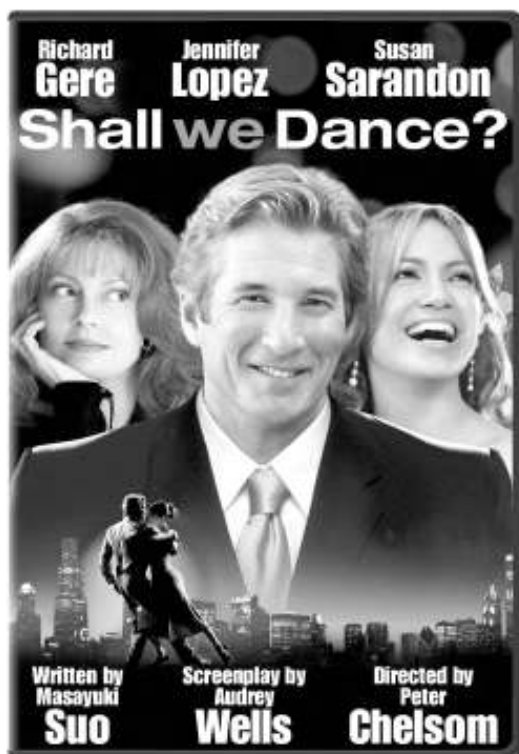
Our friend Jen chimed in, adding, "Kimchi is subtitled!"

Still stating my case to David, I said, "You refuse to watch horror movies. How do you know there's not one that you'll love? Hmm?" I had him there. "Not wanting to try food I'm convinced I'll spit out is like you not wanting to watch a movie you're convinced will scare you and give you nightmares. I'll eat that cheese if we can go rent a horror movie."

Laughing, David said, "Fine, you win this time. But remember, you promised me that you'll try wild boar when we get to Venice."

"I may have to renege on that," I teased. "Unless, of course, you can assure me that there will be chicken nearby in case of an emergency. Now, how about some more of that port?" ■

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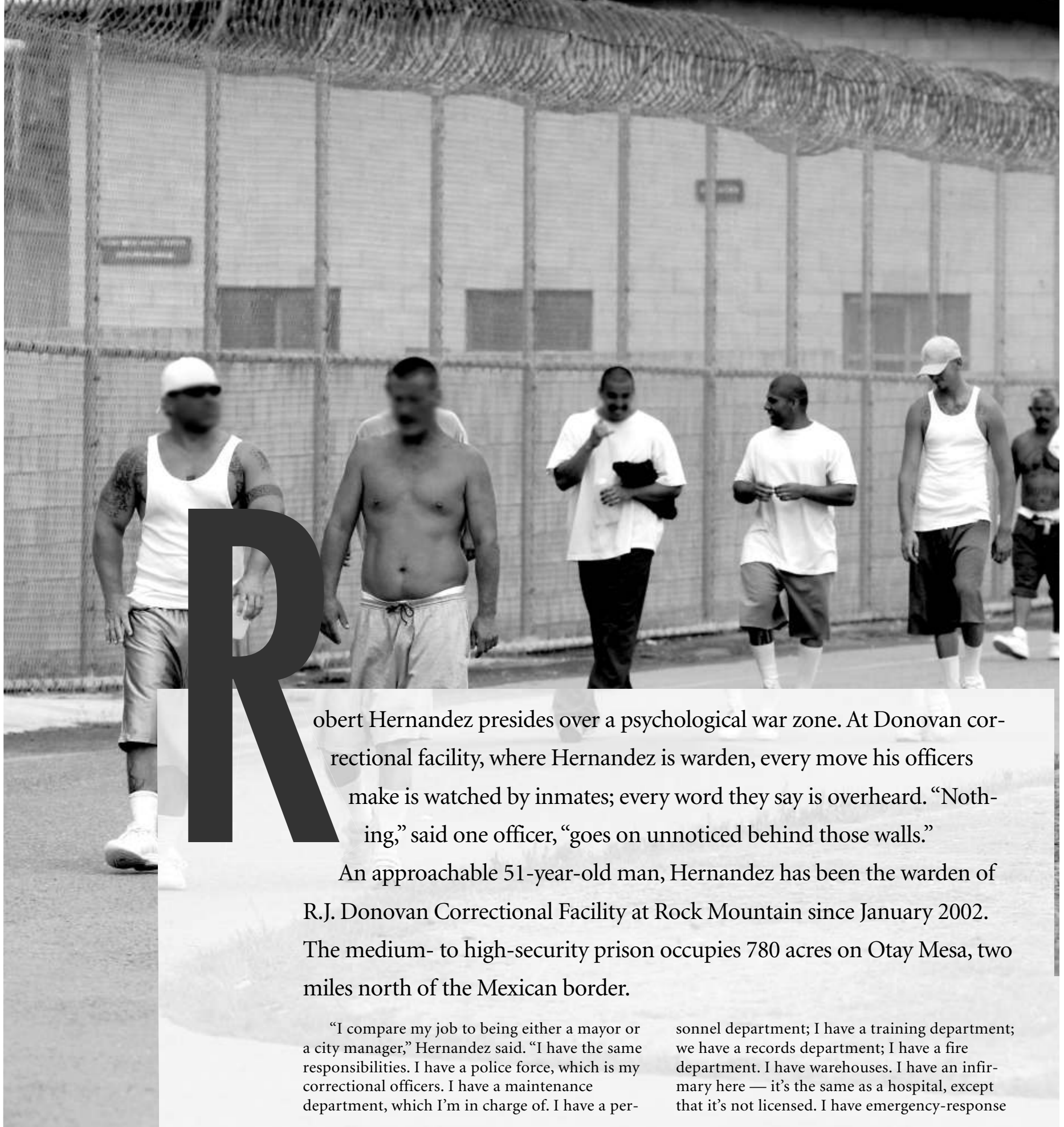
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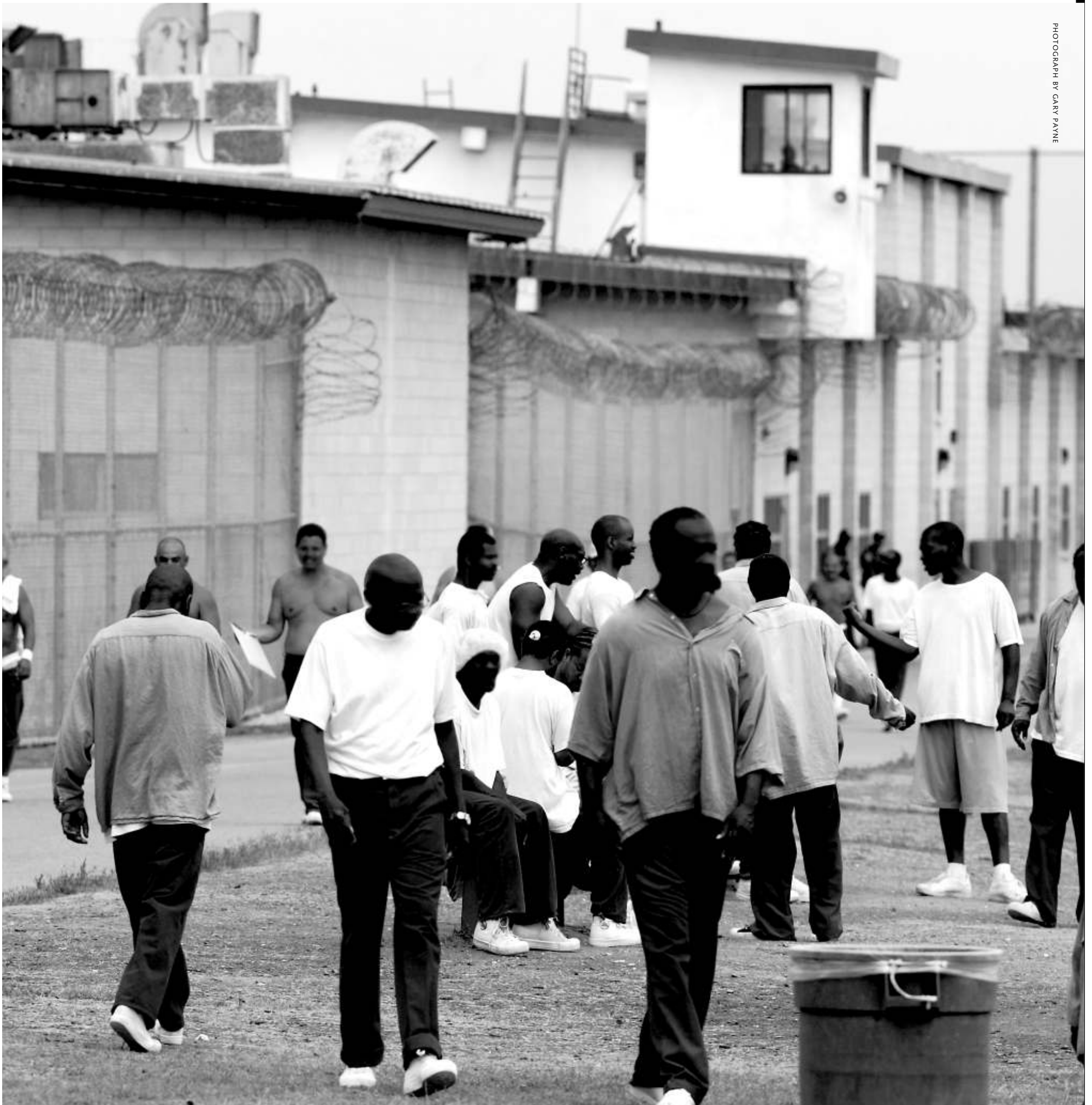
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obert Hernandez presides over a psychological war zone. At Donovan correctional facility, where Hernandez is warden, every move his officers make is watched by inmates; every word they say is overheard. “Nothing,” said one officer, “goes on unnoticed behind those walls.”

An approachable 51-year-old man, Hernandez has been the warden of R.J. Donovan Correctional Facility at Rock Mountain since January 2002. The medium- to high-security prison occupies 780 acres on Otay Mesa, two miles north of the Mexican border.

“I compare my job to being either a mayor or a city manager,” Hernandez said. “I have the same responsibilities. I have a police force, which is my correctional officers. I have a maintenance department, which I’m in charge of. I have a per-

sonnel department; I have a training department; we have a records department; I have a fire department. I have warehouses. I have an infirmary here — it’s the same as a hospital, except that it’s not licensed. I have emergency-response



Prison yard, R.J. Donovan Correctional Facility

teams, similar to SWAT teams. I have a hostage-negotiation team. And I have an annual budget of \$92 million.

“You know, we have the same problems that we have in any municipality out there in

the free world,” Hernandez said, “except my population here, they’re all male felons.”

The felons at Donovan have time on their hands and a desire to regain some control over their lives.

“These guys, they’re intelligent to a degree,” said Officer Parker, “but their satisfaction could be an extra lunch, a cookie, a phone call. It could be ‘Hey, I just got the officer to give me information that they normally

wouldn't give' or 'I got this officer to compromise his position.' I got one over on the officer, period. That gives satisfaction to them. Power. It's a power struggle. A power trip. That's what they're used to doing, having control. Now that they don't have it, whatever little bit they can get, they'll do it. And it's all day long. It never ends.

"You have to be aware of the ultimate setup," Parker continued, "because you never know when you're being manipulated. And the manipulation doesn't just happen in one day. It can happen over the duration of time through a slowly worked process, and you don't even know it sometimes."

More often than not, movies and the press portray correctional officers as

sadistic, abusive monsters, and in California recently, they're portrayed as members of an overpaid, self-serving workforce. They come off looking as bad as the inmates.

Whether it can be attributed to the stressful environment in which they work, to an officer's mental illness issues that get expressed, to a lack by some of human respect, to unhealthy peer pressure among a group of officers, or to an officer's snapping, something occasionally causes correctional officers to misuse their position as sworn peace officers and commit acts of abuse or violence toward inmates. But the officers I spoke with at Donovan said that use of excessive force against prisoners is rare and that the hostility in the prison originates with the



Robert Hernandez

inmates.

"Verbal abuse is a part of the job. It's a given," said Williams, a 35-year-old father of six who left corrections four years ago

after ten years on the job. "When we're talking about an inmate population, we're not talking for the most part about a highly educated group of

people. Just that factor alone lets you know that you're going to deal with a lot of verbal abuse. A lot of the fellows in there don't know how to express themselves minus violence and some sort of hostility, and definitely profanity is something you're going to hear almost every second of the day working in the prison.

"Early on it rattled me," he said. "It definitely scared me. Normal people aren't conditioned to react to profanity, loud talking and yelling and screaming and threats of acts of violence.

"If I were, say, a street cop, the majority of my contacts would be positive contacts," he continued. "The majority of people on the streets are law-abiding citizens or people who may commit minor

infractions but for the most part are not violent felons with drug addictions. Vice versa within the prison system: the majority of your contact is with convicted felons, people who have a violent history and past or current drug addictions. It's a much more hostile environment. It's my belief that this is far and away the most dangerous branch of law enforcement. The job is extremely dangerous. The convicts don't have guns, but then it's not necessary for them to have a gun to create some type of havoc or bodily injury."

As a precaution, officers at Donovan do not go by their first names with the inmates, and for this reason their first names are not used here. The officers were also reluctant to speak

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about their families or personal lives.

Why would anyone be drawn to such a dangerous, unpleasant job? Not one person I talked to had planned on a profession in corrections. Most were looking for a job that promised decent pay, job security, and benefits.

"I've had children since a very early age," explained Williams, the former correctional officer. "I was basically just trying to provide for my family. I had no preconceived ideas about law enforcement. At the age of 20, I applied. I applied to several different agencies: San Diego P.D., Highway Patrol, Chula Vista P.D. Corrections was



Ray Marrero

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don't like it, you can always go back to what you're doing.' Because of the benefits that they have, medical and all that, she suggested that I try it. It'll be ten years in November."

"I was encouraged by my dad to get a state job because he knew it would have more job security," said Officer Murillo, a 34-year-old female who's worked at Donovan for 11 years. "I was in college, at Southwestern College, and I went into the jobs office, and I saw this little poster up, and that's where I got the application and filled it out."

Officer Wagner, 41, has been at Donovan since 1996. Before

the first one to hire me."

Officer Cavazos, a

51-year-old female, recalled, "My sister hinted that maybe I

should try this job. I thought I wasn't correctional material

because I was a hairdresser for ten years. She said, 'Well, if you



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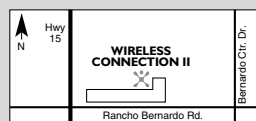
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that he managed a Domino's Pizza for ten years, working 60 to 70 hours a week. A friend suggested corrections to him. Wagner said, "You know, just the benefits the department had as compared to the previous job. Domino's paid well, but then there really weren't the benefits for retirement down the road. And most people get burned out."

I asked Warden Hernandez how he happened upon a career in corrections.

"I came into corrections by accident," Hernandez said. "I didn't come out of high school thinking, 'I want to be a correctional officer.' I was working at a glass factory in 1974. I was making \$3.10 an hour, which was pretty good



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Officer Wagner

at that time. I put about two years in at that company, and the

Glass Blowers Association went on strike, so I was out of work for

about 30 days. During those 30 days, a good friend of mine who

was a correctional officer at DVI, which is in Tracy, California,

approached me and said, 'Hey, I understand you're out of work. They're hiring here at this institution.' I told him, 'Okay, I'd be interested.' He said, 'They're testing. Fill out this application and I'll turn it in for you. I think they're going to test in two months.'"

Hernandez went on to take and pass the test, and within two weeks he was interviewed, given a physical, and told to report to work the following Monday. He remembered, "So, I get this notice. I have a three-day orientation. They walked you through the institution. You had some in-service training — you went over some real minor things like report writing and key

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control. Then I was told that the following week I would report on a Thursday to work the graveyard shift. I still wasn't prepared. I didn't know what I had to do."

That was in the '70s. Now training lasts 16 weeks and takes place at the Basic Correctional Officer Academy located in Galt, California. The State of California pays for the training and on-site housing. Requirements to enter the California Department of Corrections program have changed as well. To be considered, one must be 21 years old at time of appointment and a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident alien who is eligible for and has applied for U.S. citizenship. Applicants must have education equivalent to completion of 12th grade,

meet certain health requirements, and have a history of law-abiding behavior. All applicants who pass the initial tests undergo a physical exam, vision check, psychological evaluation, and a background investigation.

Training is ongoing. "We are obligated to train our officers, and every month they are required to attend in-service training classes," said Lieutenant Ray Marrero, Donovan's public information officer. "Some are refresher courses on anything from weapons requalifications to use of force to sexual harassment to communicable diseases in an institutional setting. They also are required to obtain at least 40 hours of classroom training every year — aside from their weapons qualifica-



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Officer Cavazos

tions as well as their qualification for their side-handle batons.

There is continuous training, not only in the classroom but on-

the-job training out there, as well as what the supervisors pro-

vide, inmate/staff interactions...there's a long list of all the training we provide, over a hundred different subjects."

Newly hired officers are paid a minimum beginning salary of \$3000 per month. Over time they can make up to \$4885 per month. Prisons located in undesirable parts of the state offer higher salaries.

R.J. Donovan is divided into four facilities, each with about 1000 inmates. According to Marrero, the institution employs 550 male and 110 female correctional officers who work three shifts overseeing 4300 male inmates. Marrero estimated the officers' average age at 26.

Donovan is also a reception center, where newly sentenced felons and parole violators,

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Correctional officers work in a variety of jobs. They might be assigned to a housing unit, to transportation, or to culinary. Officers provide supervision and security in the yard, in the central infirmary, in the vocational training area, or within the inner perimeter.

One of the most



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Officer Murillo

dangerous assignments is the Administrative Segregation

Unit. "If inmates continue to do criminal activity inside the

walls here, I have an area which is called Administrative Segre-

gation, where I lock them up to get them out of the general population," said Warden Hernandez. "Let's say, for instance, I have an inmate who stabs another inmate, or I have an inmate who we catch dealing drugs, or an inmate who's afraid he can't function in the general population for security concerns, then I have a little area where I can lock them up, reclassify them."

"These are units where we keep the bad of the bad," said Marro, the public information officer. "It's like a jail within a jail. I mean, these inmates get personal. Talking about your family, talking about, you know, your mother, your spouse. They try to assault you by trying to stab you or slice

you when you approach the cell."

"I've worked in all areas of the institution," Officer Murillo said. "I've worked on the yard, in the housing units, in the kitchen, in the front — there was a gate at the front, and I worked there. Right now I'm currently involved with the DDPs, the developmentally disabled inmates."

Officer Estrella, 36, is assigned to the Investigative Services Unit. "I'm an institutional gang investigator at this institution. I specialize in the gangs, all disruptive groups and/or prison gangs validated by the Department of Corrections: the Mexican Mafia, the Black Guerilla Family, the Aryan Brotherhood,

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the Nazi Lowriders, the Nuestra Familia. We have a handful of inmates who have either association or membership with these prison gangs and/or disruptive groups. The majority of them are the Skin-heads that come out

officers. He has a tool for retrieving inmates' weapons found in the yard. "We don't want to put our hands on them," he said. "They're either bloody or they've got drugs on them. There are syringes that the inmates manufacture

light for when we are conducting cell searches. We have assigned cameras. These are digital cameras assigned to us when we do crime-scene investigation and/or tattoo identifications on new subjects. When they're on the yard, they're not supposed to have tattoo paraphernalia, and we photograph that stuff."

Officer Wagner also works in the Investigative Services Unit. "We have about 15 different jobs that we can learn inside of investigations. I'm seeing things behind the scenes that a lot of officers don't see. I also like dealing with the outside with evidence, dealing with the courts. Processing of evidence is interesting to me."

Search and Escort is Officer Cavazos's job title. "I primarily

"If inmates continue to do criminal activity inside the walls here, I have an area which is called Administrative Segregation, where I lock them up to get them out of the general population," said Warden Hernandez.

of the East County area of San Diego, and we do have some heavy hitters, some big players in these prison gangs."

Estrella, who looks like a superhero action figure, wears more gear than most

or tattoo guns with hepatitis A through Z."

Another tool he carries opens light sockets. "Light sockets are where inmates hide drugs and paraphernalia," he explained. "We also carry a flash-

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deal with the disciplinary-process paperwork," she said, "but I monitor the yard and the feeding and do escorts for inmates if there's any kind of altercation or if they need to be escorted from our facility to

the central infirmary or other parts of the institution."

If a riot breaks out or large-scale fighting erupts, the Crisis Response Team is called. "They are just like your SWAT team out in the com-

munity," said Marrero. "We have staff trained in tactical and operational types of emergencies here, highly trained individuals that deal with hostage situations. They are on call 24 hours a day here at

this institution."

On one of my visits to Donovan, during a tour of the prison, Warden Hernandez and Marrero took me to Facility One, the unit for inmates with mental illness and developmental problems. Leaving the administration building, we strolled to the staff entrance, were processed through two electronically controlled gates, and entered the inner perimeter, which is surrounded by an electrified fence. Eventually we arrived in the Facility One yard, which had a sprinkling of inmates, and entered the housing unit. A male and a female officer stood in the center of the otherwise empty first floor, called the day room. Both were dressed in dark green uniforms with batons attached to their sides. One of them was Officer Murillo.

Warden Hernandez and Murillo described the stark housing unit's features, pointing out the control booth, the backless benches provided for inmates, the shower area, some

round tables. Hernandez said, "In about three minutes all the doors will open and the inmates will come out." Marrero asked the officers, "Do you think any of them will come out naked?" "Oh, yeah, they could" was the response, and the officer in the control booth was radioed. Over the loudspeaker, he commanded all inmates to come out fully clothed. The doors on

need to come out with their clothes on, but sometimes they won't, so we have to remind them to come out dressed appropriately and that the only time they take off their clothes is inside the shower. But like I say, with the mentally ill you might have one every so often who comes out naked. I think with the females they'll sometimes try to flaunt their muscles, so we have to let

"The tattoo gun was stored in an inappropriate area, and when I went looking for a pen I poked myself with a needle."

the first floor opened, and disheveled men wandered out, some asking the warden questions, others running back to their cells to fetch letters to the warden. Some ventured outside, a few remained indoors.

A couple of days later I talked to Murillo and Cavazos, who are both female officers, about the nudity issue. "During the day room time they come out to take showers; they line up," said Murillo. "They

them know right away, 'Go get a T-shirt.' "

Murillo mentioned that occasionally inmates attempt affection with a female officer. "If an inmate tries to hug you, you sort of back off. I've had that before when one of our nutty inmates would try to hug me. I just backed him off and said, 'No, no. You can't do that.' I had another one where I was sitting down and he came and tried to



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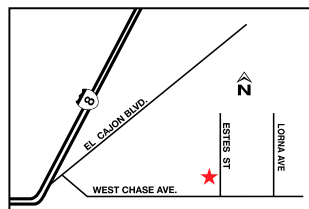
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rub my leg, and I'm, like, 'What are you doing? Who told you to do that?' "

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"My partner and I were doing a count," said Cavazos, "and,

on or something? Because that's not going to happen. You know what, that's a lack of respect for yourself to do that in front of females and a lack of respect of us as females.' Then he said, 'Then they'll think I'm a pervert.' I said, 'Well, you know, if you really want to

we're doing our counts, we'll have to use our flashlight and we'll walk by and we'll get flashed. That's shocking. That's gross. It's nasty!

"You try to shake it off, and then you try to expose them," she continued. "Tell them to cut it out. Letting the rest of the building know it's not okay. For me, it's shaking it off, and then I guess for myself to feel better, I start telling the inmates, 'You guys need to know this is not acceptable behavior.' When inmates do that to staff, it's not normal. They're sick in the head, and for the most part if we check their file they are in here for rape, they're in here for child molesting. 'You guys are condoning their behavior because you say it's a manhood. You say it's natural. You're going to


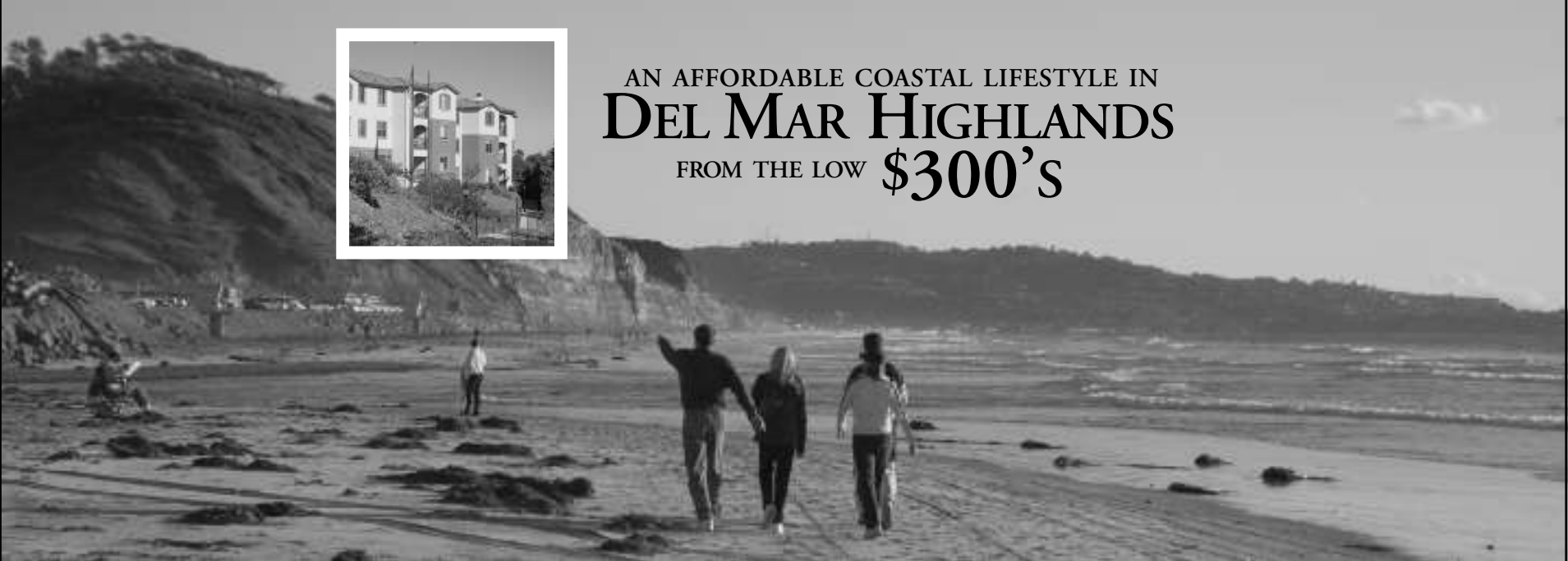
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uh, an inmate started playing with his penis while we were doing the count. We have to walk up to the window, look into the window, and physically see the people that are inside the cell. I stopped and said, 'What are you doing? Do you think that you are going to turn us


think about it, you are a pervert,' and then we just kept on doing our count."

"You know what a lot of the females go through is getting flashed," Murillo confirmed. "Inmates actually masturbating in front of them. That's what a lot of us go through. Like when

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added, "Each housing unit has a control booth. That position is armed, and they are responsible to monitor the inmate traffic in the day rooms, and they're also the eyes of the staff that are working in the housing units."

Williams explained why guns are issued so selectively, "Only in certain situations are you allowed to use the gun. Only in certain situations are the guns feasible. If you have a thousand inmates on the yard and you have five officers, and you have one officer getting beat up and there's no weapon involved — this is real life, this is not like TV where the SWAT guy

"A lot of officers have off-duty weapons, and what they will do is, when they report to the institution, there is an armory outside the institution where they are able to secure their off-duty weapons before they report to their posts."

been used by someone else. At this institution the use of the spray is an everyday occurrence, almost an everyday occurrence."

All correctional officers are trained in firearms, although, in the inner perimeter, only certain posts are designated to be armed.

"Depending on if they're in armed positions they will qualify with departmental firearms every quarter," Marrero said. "For officers who are not in armed positions, they are required to qualify annually." Staff in armed positions includes the officers stationed in observational posts. Marrero

sits up on top of the roof and shoots into a crowd of people and hits the one person that he's actually aiming at.

"In theory the officers are protected by the guns," he continued, "but in reality the guns protect no one. They just limit the damage. What protects the officers are their communication skills, how well they get along with and deal with variant personalities."

"Not everybody's born with the gift of gab, but you can learn to become a good communicator," said Marrero, the public information officer. "Ninety percent of working corrections is

being a good communicator.”

“A lot of it has to do with your demeanor,” said Murillo. “If you respect them, most of the time they respect you. That helps a lot with the stress. I think the longer you work in the department, the easier it becomes for you, because you have an established rapport with the inmates. Like for myself, it’s really good. For the most part if I get disrespected, the inmates get checked by other inmates and I don’t even know it. The

other inmates will let them know, ‘Just leave her alone. She stays out of everybody’s way. She’s okay.’ It just works. I’ve had inmates who have disrespected me, and in a few minutes they come to me and apologize. It’s really stressful when you first start, because you really haven’t established a rapport with the inmates and they’re always, constantly, trying you out. They’re always testing you. They’ll approach you and they’ll bark at you and if you say ‘No,’ they’ll bark at

you, hoping that you’re going to back off and give them what they want.

“It also happens when there is a brand-new inmate and he’ll try you,” she said.

“I try to stay away from their files, to not know what they did, so I don’t see them any different.”

“Right away, put them in check, let them know, and don’t back off. You can’t back off, because if you back off, you show them fear. Then it’s

worse — it’s really bad, because the other inmates are watching you. They’re always watching how you react. If they see that you are scared, you’re going to have more

inmates doing the same thing.”

“Early in my career I had to learn not to respond to the verbal abuse through use of force or by

reciprocating the acts,” said Williams, the former correctional officer. “It’s part of enhancing your communication skills. The first five years for me was basically learning how to listen to what they were saying and not to how they were saying it.”

“I think it’s worse for the males than it is for the females,” Murillo said. “It’s not much of a challenge for the inmates to challenge a female, because the way I put it is: ‘Look, you’re challenging me. If I kick your ass you lose,

and if you kick my ass you lose, because the inmates are not going to respect you for beating up on a female.’ ”

“You can confront individuals, talk to them,” Wagner added, “but you’ve got to have a thicker skin working here and not take everything personal.

“I myself don’t get much verbal abuse. I never really have,” he said. “The way I’ve always dealt with inmates was — their big thing is respect, respect, respect. They want respect from

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you. They preach it to each other. The word *respect*. I use it the same as they use it. They want respect, I'm going to treat them with respect. But at the same time, they need to treat me with respect. If they cross the line then we automatically will have a different kind of relationship. Of course, when I say treat them with respect, that doesn't mean I'm going outside any of the boundaries set by the department. It just means that I'm treating them like another fellow human being. I'm not taking pleasure if I do a search and I find something; I'm not rubbing it in their face or anything like that. I'm just doing my job professionally with no bias."

Murillo revealed one means by which she maintains her respect for the



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inmates. "I try to stay away from their files, to not know what they did, so I don't see

them any different. It's very hard once you know what they did to not treat them...treat

them like shit. Some of these guys are in here for horrible things, so you try not

to look into their files. At least I do." In the past two years, Murillo said,

assaults on officers at Donovan have increased. "We had one officer in the kitchen — female staff — who got hit in the head with batteries. That was kind of odd to see, because it was an awakening to the females that any of these guys could come after us too. We're not immune to getting assaulted. She got hit with batteries in a sock. She retired. Her head was shattered and smashed in. They got her really bad. "And then we had another officer who was hit with batteries in a sock in another facility."

Murillo has been assaulted herself. "I had an inmate push me," she said. "We were trying to remove him from a cell. He was in the wrong cell. We were trying to move him two doors down, and

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he agreed. He was going to do it, and when we opened the door he ran away from us. I told him to stop, and he pushed me and hit me in the face. We had to go and

eight year I also got stuck with a needle from a tattoo gun," she added. "The tattoo gun was stored in an inappropriate area, and when I went looking for a pen I poked

"We have some days that are really, really busy, where we have two or three fights during the day, and you're just, like, running back and forth."

tackle him down and the whole thing. That was the first time I had been assaulted in eight years.

"During that

myself with a needle. I never found out who it belonged to or if it had been used, so I had to go through the treatment and getting

tested. Luckily everything came out clear. I didn't catch any hepatitis or AIDS or anything. But it was a tremendous stress on my family. It was horrible. I went and I saw a psychiatrist over it."

"I've dislocated my shoulder responding to an alarm one time when inmates... didn't clean the floor properly, so the floor looked waxed," said Estrella. "It was a setup for all of us, because when we came through we slid

around. I ended up landing on my elbow with my baton thrown underneath and dislocated my shoulder. That sticks with me because I could have been assaulted and/or killed in that moment."

While it's clearly traumatic to be assaulted, less obvious are the long-term consequences for officers of repeated exposure, sometimes daily exposure, to situations where they could be assaulted or killed.



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during the day," said Cavazos, "and you're just, like, running back and forth. We

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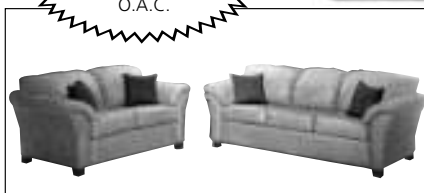
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said Murillo. "Or you feel like something's going to happen. Your heart just pounds a hundred miles per hour. Your body just goes through tremendous shock, because afterwards everything just hurts. All my

"That happens at least once or twice a week," she continued. "You start getting jumpy too. So if somebody yells, your senses just start — or a wrong move, and all it is an inmate giving another inmate a

ject gets off the wall? What if this subject starts striking me as I'm walking by him?" "It's real frightening, but it's a way of life for a peace officer," said Parker. "Always looking behind you. Always keeping your eyes open. Watching your surroundings. You become somewhat paranoid of people in general."

With the high incidence of hepatitis and AIDS in California prisons, bodily fluids, a weapon that's readily available to inmates, have become deadly. "They make these concoctions of urine and feces and try to throw it at you, try to hit you in your face," said Marrero. "I can't tell you about the potential for communicable diseases with hepatitis, AIDS,

and everything else. That's a very common, common thing that happens, and we have to deal with that. We have to send officers out, get them treated medically, immediately, get them tested. That is a fear. No one wants to bring these diseases home to their family.

"Another thing is spitting," he added. "We have inmates that do that. Spitting, biting. We've had inmates that bite staff who are in the process of trying to restrain them. The fear is, do they break the skin? That is a very high risk."

Inmates also manufacture weapons inside Donovan.

Cavazos explained: "We try not to leave any kind of Styrofoam cups around — they make weapons out of that. They melt it down. They have 24 hours to just think of ideas. They make weapons out of the wires from the fencing. Ink pens. Just all kinds of things. They're very creative. These are the kind of things the people that work the housing units have to keep on top of, because they're the ones who do the cell searches."

"They fashion weapons out of several things," Wagner elaborated. "They can melt plastic down and make weapons. They can utilize a toothbrush — what they do is take a razor blade from regular disposable razors, they'll take that blade out, they'll tape it to the toothbrush, make a handle. From some of the shops that we have, any kind of metal that they get, they start sharpening. They'll sharpen it inside their cell by scraping it against the wall. Anything. It can

"If you're walking down the street and you step in a pile of dog poop, the dog poop doesn't smell like the Polo cologne that you're wearing. You smell like the dog poop, and nobody smells the Polo cologne."

muscles hurt. My neck, my shoulders. During the time of whatever is happening, you're pumped up and your adrenaline is going. Afterward you just fall. You can feel your energy just fall.

hug, but because it's a fast move, you think it's going to be a fight."

"What if?" is always the question I ask myself," said Estrella. "What if?... What if this sub-

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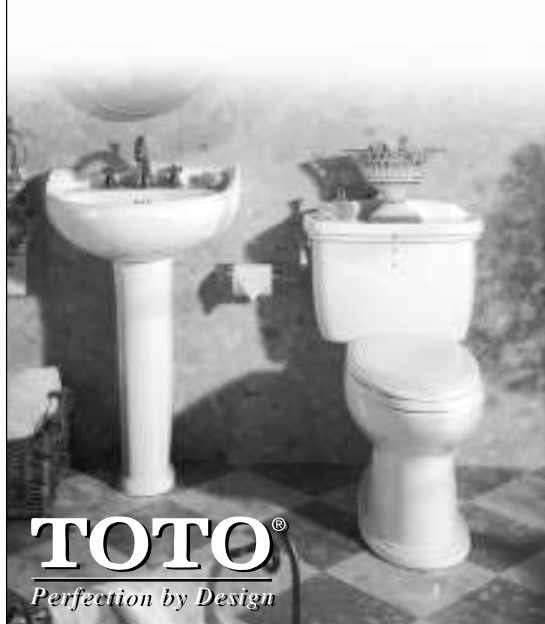
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be the typewriter. I don't know if you know that little metal piece that's all the way in the back, they've utilized that before for weapons. Any kind of plastic, a big piece of plastic, they'll just keep doing it till it's a point."

"We provide them razors," Marrero explained, "but sometimes they secret these things in their bodily cavities, and they'll wait for you, they'll wait for you."

Among the officers' most vivid recollections are the ones of knifings that they've witnessed. "I think one of my worst was a slashing that I responded to in one of

the housing units," said Murillo. "An inmate had been slashed in the face. He was cut from his ear down to his neck, and he was bleeding a lot. It was gushing out. Another one was that an inmate attempted suicide, and he really did want to die. He cut himself the long way instead of the other way. He was actually yanking on his skin, and when we showed up there were parts of his meat all over the floor. And the blood clots."

"I've seen some stabbings that if you saw the pictures, you'd probably back away at how grotesque they look," said Marrero. "I

remember one in particular. One inmate had gotten stabbed multiple times" — Marrero closed his eyes and shook his head — "in his stomach, in his neck, in his

"There's a distinct prison smell that sticks on you, and you need to wash that off. You're constantly washing your hands during the course of the day."

back. I don't know how he lived. The gashes were deep, so deep. I was the one who had to take him to the hospital. It's really interesting the way they treated him.

They cleaned the wounds out, and they put gauze inside the wounds to prevent infection. The minute you start pushing the gauze in there, that inmate was screaming,

deep is that?" They explained it to me that that's how they treat puncture-type wounds. I hear that inmate screaming and what he had to endure. I mean, that could have been a staff member who could have easily gotten stabbed like that. These are things we have to deal with every day. That particular stabbing was probably one of the worst."

"I was involved in an incident where an inmate had been stabbed to death," said Warden Hernandez. "He came out of his cell. I responded to the incident. He was on the second floor.

He had a hole the size of a 50-cent coin, hit a jugular vein, and every time he tried to speak when we asked him, 'Who stabbed you?', I'm not trying to make you sick, but the blood gushed, and we put our hands on his neck. Of course, we didn't know anything about blood-borne pathogens back in the '70s, but that's what we did because we didn't have any safety equipment these kids have nowadays."

Hernandez remembered another stabbing that happened at DVI, in Tracy. "It wasn't a homicide, but I think I'd only been a correctional officer for about six months. Well, I had never seen a stabbing before. I was walking down this pathway there, and the thing that separated me and the yard was, of course, a chain-link fence. I was walking and just as I looked at the yard, I saw this inmate, there were two inmates, they were both BGF members — Black Guerilla Family members — stabbing another black inmate, and their weapons were

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Even when officers go home after work, their lives are still in danger. Officer Parker

explained why: "These guys parole. They live in our neighborhoods."

For that reason, none of the officers ever appears in uniform in public.

"I drive home with this uniform on," said Wagner, "but I put on a cover shirt

over it, and if it's winter, I'll throw a jacket over it. Basically, you don't want the wrong

person to see you when you're driving home with your CDC [California Department of Corrections] patches just sticking out the window."

"When I enter my vehicle I put a cover jacket on or a shirt or I roll down the top portion of my jumpsuit because of the paroled felons that are on the streets," Estrella said.

All but one of the officers I talked to owned a gun; many carried a gun in their vehicles. "A lot of officers have off-duty weapons," said Marroero, "and what they will do is, when they report to the institution, there is an



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Marrero said that as soon as he gets home, he takes a shower, “because I smell like the prison, you know. There’s a distinct prison smell that sticks on you, and you need to wash that off. You’re constantly washing your hands during the course of the day, even though you’re wearing gloves whenever you’re patting down inmates and stuff. I’m working in this administration position, and I still

wash my hands constantly.”

“I try to turn myself off when I leave the prison,” said Murillo, “not take whatever I went through at work home, because I think that’s when you can start barking at your family, when your problem was at work, not with your family.”

“I’ve always told my staff,” said Marrero, “when you leave the gate, leave it at the gate. Don’t take it home, because it’ll eat you up. When I’m home I’m a father, I’m a husband. I’m in a different role. Do I discuss what I’ve dealt with on a daily basis with my wife or my

kids? No, I don’t. I don’t generally do that. I spend time with my family and talk about other things. That brings me back down to ground zero.”

The job is enough to make one grind one’s teeth at night, but only one correctional officer, who did not want to be identified, admitted to teeth-grinding.

Williams, the former correctional officer, remembered how he dealt with the frustrations of his job. “There were times when I left the prison — level 10 being the highest for

frustration — and I was at level 8. But I was smart enough to take my alone time. There were times when I knew I wasn’t ready for the regular world, for the real

world. If I got off at two o’clock and I was still at level 8, I either took a detour before I went home, or when I went home I went to my bedroom, closed my door, and gave myself an hour of

cool-down time.”

“I try not to share disturbing stories,” Warden Hernandez said. “I try not to tell my spouse too much and get her wrapped up in some of the unsavory things that happen in the prison.”

Cavazos was of the same mind-set. “I usually don’t share anything with my family unless it’s something really funny.”

Wagner said talking with his wife alleviates some of his stress. “I share probably more than other officers. I communicate with her a lot and let her know different things that are going on here. She’s always

curious.”

Murillo’s husband, even before her assault and run-in with the needle, wanted her to quit her job, but because of debt she needed to work. Since the incidents, she said, “My husband wanted me to quit, but I don’t want to quit. It’s a good job. It’s not really so much the money. I could always help my dad in business. I think it’s having something for myself. Having my own identity. Having control. I just feel like I have control of my life.”

Williams wife had also worked in corrections. “My wife didn’t

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Marrero said, "My wife, early on, when I

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Warden Hernandez's wife has two brothers who work in corrections. "She was raised with it, and she's okay with what I do," he said. "She's been with me since I was an officer to where I'm at now, and she doesn't have a problem with it."

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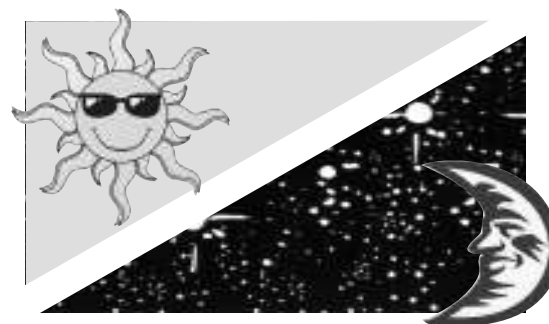


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"I was in counseling several times throughout my ten-year career," offered Williams. "That was one of the avenues I used to help me cope with what I had to cope with while working in the prison." But in the end, for Williams, leaving the job was the best resolution. "Probably the last two years, for me, there were few outlets that were effective for me to be functional. That was one of the reasons why it was time for me to exit. It becomes more and more a part of you. It's that old saying, 'You can't kill a monster without becoming a monster.' Or, the analogy that I like to use best: if you're walking down the street and you step in a pile of dog poop, the dog poop doesn't smell like the Polo cologne that you're wearing. You smell like the dog poop, and nobody smells the Polo cologne. I use that analogy to say that when you have a bunch of good people who are put into a negative environment,

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it's inevitable that the negativity is going to override anything positive."

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"Most definitely," said Parker. "Any one of us could. And to this day we still could. It never changes. The

fact of it is, you just have to make good choices. Thank God my mom was as strict as she was. She was so strict I didn't really get to spend a whole lot of time out on the streets as a child, because she didn't want us to grow up doing a whole lot of bad things. She wanted to know where we were at all times. She wanted to keep a tight rope on us. But, yeah, I could

have easily fallen into this. We have it happening all over the world, where people lose it for one minute, or you hear that someone went on a rampage out in a neighborhood and started shooting up people. You just never know what snaps people."

"I wasn't raised with a silver spoon in my mouth," said Warden Hernandez. "I was raised on the wrong side of the tracks. It's funny that you asked that — I just went to a funeral. One of my best friends in junior high and high school had hepatitis C. He was a drug user. When we were kids running around the streets together, he decided to take a left turn and I took a right. We still remained friends. There but for the grace of God, it could have been me." ■

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The apartment was across the street from the hospital in Kearny Mesa and right next to the I-805. In the summer, you couldn't sleep with the windows open. The cars were too loud. My girlfriend at the time said, “Just imagine they're waves on the beach.” As the words left her lips, I heard an 18-wheeler honk. “What is that?” I asked. “An oil tanker?”

The first debate with Darryl had to do with bedroom size. He insisted one room was bigger than the other and walked the length of the room, toe to heel, to show me. It did look like it was four feet longer, and he said I would have to pay \$15 more a month for that room. So, I gave him the “bigger” room.

I knew Darryl was a guitarist. I didn't see that as a problem. I had a blast composing answering-machine messages with his guitar accompanying me. One was the Doors song, with me saying, “Hello, I love you, won't you tell me your name...and number after the beep.”

Darryl didn't mind me playing my Beatles or Doors albums loud. When I bought a Wurlitzer jukebox and put it in the kitchen, he didn't mind (even though it took up one-third of the space). When my friend Marie Ruiz had her wedding anniversary, Darryl helped me rework their wedding song (by Bread) with new lyrics. Living with someone you've known for a long time is great. We could watch football on Sunday mornings and play card games when we were bored. In fact, that's where our

first problem arose.

We played the card game crazy eights for a dollar a point. I always beat him. He'd get mad and challenge me to chess. He was better than me at that, and he often won his money back saying “checkmate.” But, when I refused to play chess in one of his “double-or-nothing” offers, he took a frozen ham out of the freezer and threw it at me. It hit my shoulder. I got so mad I took it and threw it over the balcony — we were on the second floor — and into the swimming pool. He went down and retrieved it. I

laughed when he said, under his breath, “Jews really do hate ham, don't they?”

Once, he threw his fan at me. I ducked and it smashed against the wall. He got mad at me on another occasion and, without anything in sight to throw, he punched a hole in the wall.

There was also the time he owed me \$25 on a few crazy eights games. He went to a few different banks so he could get bags of pennies to give me. I refused to accept them, and he said if I didn't take the pennies he was still off the hook for the money.

He'd eat my TV dinners (neither of us could cook) and leave three bucks on the table with a note that read, “This is for the TV dinner I ate.” I guess that's better than eating my food without my knowing, but it was like I was going to Vons to buy groceries for him. He hardly ever went shopping.

When I ordered pizza during football games, he'd ask for a piece of the pie. He'd grab a few, saying, “When I order pizza, I'll give you some.” He never ordered pizza. So, imagine my surprise when I came home hungry and saw a pizza box in the fridge. I took two of the



Josh Board tries playing “Smoke on the Water,” 1990

three pieces and macked down. When he got up to go to work at 6 a.m., he screamed. I thought somebody was breaking into the apartment. He said, “Dude, that pizza was for my lunch. Now what will I eat for lunch?” It was then I had to say, “Okay. I won't eat your food. You don't eat my food. Even if you offer to pay for it.”

At the radio station, *any* food promotion I had to take advantage of: Jack in the Box gave us coupons for free burgers; Häagen-Dazs ice cream once gave us hundreds of free pints for a Valentine's Day promotion; the Hard Rock Cafe brought us peanut butter and banana sandwiches on Elvis's birthday (I thought they sounded gross, but they were free; I ate two of them...they were good).

One day Darryl and I heard a furniture store's radio commercial announcing an offer of free pizza and soda. We thought this would be great for dinner. On the drive over, I said, “We should act like we are buying a couch or something.” He replied, “Bullshit! The commercial just said come by for free pizza, and that's what we are doing.” So, as we walked in, we headed straight for the grub. A guy in

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a suit asked us if we were looking for any furniture. Darryl smiled and said, "Nope. We're looking for pizza."

I said, "Well, we want a leather couch. If you have black, that would be

great." The salesman took me over to the couches. I stood there, hungry, for 20 minutes hearing this sales pitch about how "It's \$1000 now, but next week these are going up to \$1300." I finally told him

I'd think about it and walked away.

I went to get a piece of pizza and another guy in a suit said, "Get those two guys out of here!" As we were escorted out, like criminals, I asked what

was going on. I was told that Darryl had eaten eight pieces of pizza and drunken two cans of soda. When we got home, I had to settle for a frozen pizza.

There were other

times I'd get home and he would be going through the change on my desk. He looked like a kid with his hand in the cookie jar; he'd say, "I'm going to do laundry, and I don't have any change." It wasn't

until years later that I found out he had stolen some of my valuable baseball cards.

Another time, our radio station was doing a promotion at Disneyland. I had a free weekend stay at the Marriott Hotel but left the coupon at home. My girlfriend was driving up four hours later, so I called her and told her to pick it up at my apartment. When I called Darryl to inform him of this, I couldn't get a word out. He said, "I'm watching an episode of *The Simpsons*. Call back in 20 minutes." He hung up. I called back, only to hear his annoying guitar on my answering machine. The third time I called, he picked it up, hung it up immediately, and then took the phone off the hook. I called back when the show ended and told him the story (after yelling for ten minutes).

Watching TV caused another problem between us. We had a rule that if you came home and the other was watching TV, they could dictate what was watched for the rest of the night. I came home one night, and he was playing his guitar in his room. The TV was on, so I knew he was probably watching something (he would go play his guitar between commercials). I changed the channel to *The Wonder Years*, and he came out of his room claiming that he was going to watch *Beverly Hills 90210*. I said, "Just the fact that you want to watch that, I'd say 'no.' But the fact that you were in your room, playing guitar, indicates you were not watching TV." We argued for ten minutes before we realized we could record one show and watch the other. Then he said, "We should record *Wonder Years*, since it's only half an hour." I can't remember what show we recorded, but I missed my entire show because of the argument.

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amplifier, that he wanted to play after midnight. Some lame Deep Purple songs would wake me up at 3:00 a.m. I'd pound the wall or yell, and he'd turn it down, but I could still hear it. A few times I'd say, "It's not even the noise; it's the crappy songs. How many times can you play 'Smoke on the Water?'"

After working an overnight shift one Saturday when the Red Hot Chili Peppers had just released *BloodSugarSexMagik*, I took one of the many promo copies that were

laying around the studio. I got home at 6:00 a.m. I put the CD in and turned the living room speakers so they'd be facing his room. I cranked it up.

He often complained that Saturdays and Sundays were his only times to sleep in, so I figured he'd come out yelling. As the second song played, I thought he'd open his door. Nothing. The third song...a ballad. *Damn. He's probably falling back to sleep.* The fifth song, "Suck My Kiss," came on. I turned it up louder. I feared the neighbors

would complain before Darryl. I started making my breakfast, wondering if I should check his room to see if he was alive. Finally, during song 13 of the 17 songs, Darryl's door opened. He stood there in ripped blue sweatpants and a Led Zeppelin T-shirt. He rubbed his eyes. He looked at me, and I thought, Anything he says, I will say, "Now you know what it's like."

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"Can I ask you a question?" A young girl's disembodied voice sounded in the studio from speak-

ers mounted on the console.

"Sure, baby, what's up?" Delany's left hand pulled the 30-second commercial spot, tossed it on top of the machine, and lined up another cartridge. The energy level in the room was high, considering there was no one in it except me, Delany, and about as much technology as you would find in the transporter room of the *Enterprise*.

"Bryan Adams. Was he with a band before? Was



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Sue Delany

he with the Eagles?"

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bands, that's about it. Want some Adams on soon?"

"Yeah. Sure."

"You got it! Take care, baby."

With that burning issue resolved, the girl giggled and said goodbye. Delany spun around on her seat to face me, popping in the CD with a Phil Collins tune cued up electronically. Her long, shaggy blond hair is almost as much of a trademark as her voice to those who know her from shopping-mall openings and Mad Jack's commercials on local television. She leaned against the console, still working tapes, one eye toward the digital clock, rifling through the playlist while appearing attentive and explaining the computerized equipment. "I can't really go into detail because of the competition," she said. She wore a black, long-sleeved shirt flecked with metallic sparkles that clung to a trim figure and tight-fitting black Levi's above high-heeled black boots.

Around her shoulders was a black leather Hard Rock Cafe San Diego jacket. Laugh lines appeared at the corners of her eyes when she smiled or laughed, which was often.

When asked about the playlist, she said, "I can change things about, and

couple of bands like Bad English, Giant, and Living Colour." I noticed San Diego's Beat Farmers on the playlist. "The bands I worship are basically Zepelin, the Eagles, and Aerosmith, in case people want to know what my flavor is. I love everything though.

Her mother is the actress Pat Delany ("She's one of those actresses you look at and say, 'I know her!' but you might not know her name"), and her father is a financial consultant living in Marina Del Rey."

we can give a little bit, but this is basically what they like. Demographics. Market analysis..." she waved at the concept vaguely as if it were all a part of the machinery that surrounded her. "I like to think I helped to break [introduce unknowns] a

I love jazz; I like to be flexible. Even country. I'm originally from Dallas, so I got a little bit of the roots in me. Jerry Jeff Walker 'Up against the wall, red-neck mother,' you know. Stuff like that. I can handle it for a little while. I don't ever say I hate it, but

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"I wasn't sure if I wanted to get into the news side, the rock and roll side, or what. It didn't take me long to decide. I knew what I wanted within a year."

but on the whole, my listeners are working people. We're talking lawyers to people who work at Pizza Hut. Major military — I'm always playing a song for the U.S.S. *Whatever*. I love to make their day. The majority of my listeners are just good-hearted people. I've really lucked out. I don't know if it's just San Diego or what."

Though born in Dallas, Delany grew up in Los Angeles and attended Grant High School in the San Fernando Valley. Her mother is the actress Pat Delany ("She's one of those actresses you look at and say, 'I know her!' but you might not know her name"), and her father is a financial consultant living in Marina Del Rey.

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Her brother is a sheriff in Ventura County. She did well in school and was, not surprisingly, a cheerleader. "For the worst football team in all of the valley. The kids who went to school there, their parents were producers or directors or actors. Many of the kids who came out of the school became actors, and it's funny to see them now on Lipton commercials and everything. Tom Selleck went there — a long time before I was there. Joan Jett, too. A lot of others I can't think of right now."

"I went to Grossmont College for a year, which is highly rated for tele-

com, took some broadcasting courses. I wasn't sure if I wanted to get into the news side, the rock and roll side, or what. It didn't take me long to decide. I knew what I wanted within a year."

Delany has been a disc jockey (or "Air Personality," as her business card describes her) for 11 years. "I started out putting together three or four tapes and sent them out. I figured I'd just spend the summer on the beach, and I forgot about the tapes. Almost immediately, I got hired in Indiana, Anchorage, some place I never heard of, and Bakersfield. I took the job in Bakers-

field, KKDJ. It was one of those things, 'My God, I'm in the game. Take the ball and run.' I was really scared 'cuz I was 18. Someone upstairs was watching over me. Fresno, KKXX, wooed me after nine weeks. I go, 'Fresno, is that in California?' But they had some tall buildings there, so I figured I was moving up."

Delany started in San Diego at 9IX in 1981 doing midday for two years and then moved to mornings. She's been at KGB for seven years. As for advice she might lend aspiring DJs: "Females are still much in demand. You've got to be really persistent, really confident, and ready for

rejection. Keep coming back." Is she ever at a loss for words? Facing dead air? "Not yet. I'm a talkative person when I'm comfortable, and I'm comfortable with what I do. I absolutely love it. There's nothing better than getting up in the morning and going, 'Let's rock and roll!'"

What about weirdos? Fans who are a little too ardent or familiar?

"I have three restraining orders. I got a zirconium diamond ring in the mail from a guy who is married. Women call up and say, 'Leave my boyfriend alone.' I don't know who they are. There

is a guy who thinks I talk to him when I'm not on the air. He gets subliminal messages from me. They're out there. One guy was put away two weeks ago. I'd rather not go into it. It's a police matter. They busted him following me home."

Pointing to her rings, is she married or single? "Let's just say there's someone special in my life. I'm a rascal and I like to have fun; I don't want to come across as this little angel. But I have a good heart, and I hope that people see that, that I don't have to spell it out."

She wouldn't encourage a bad-girl image?

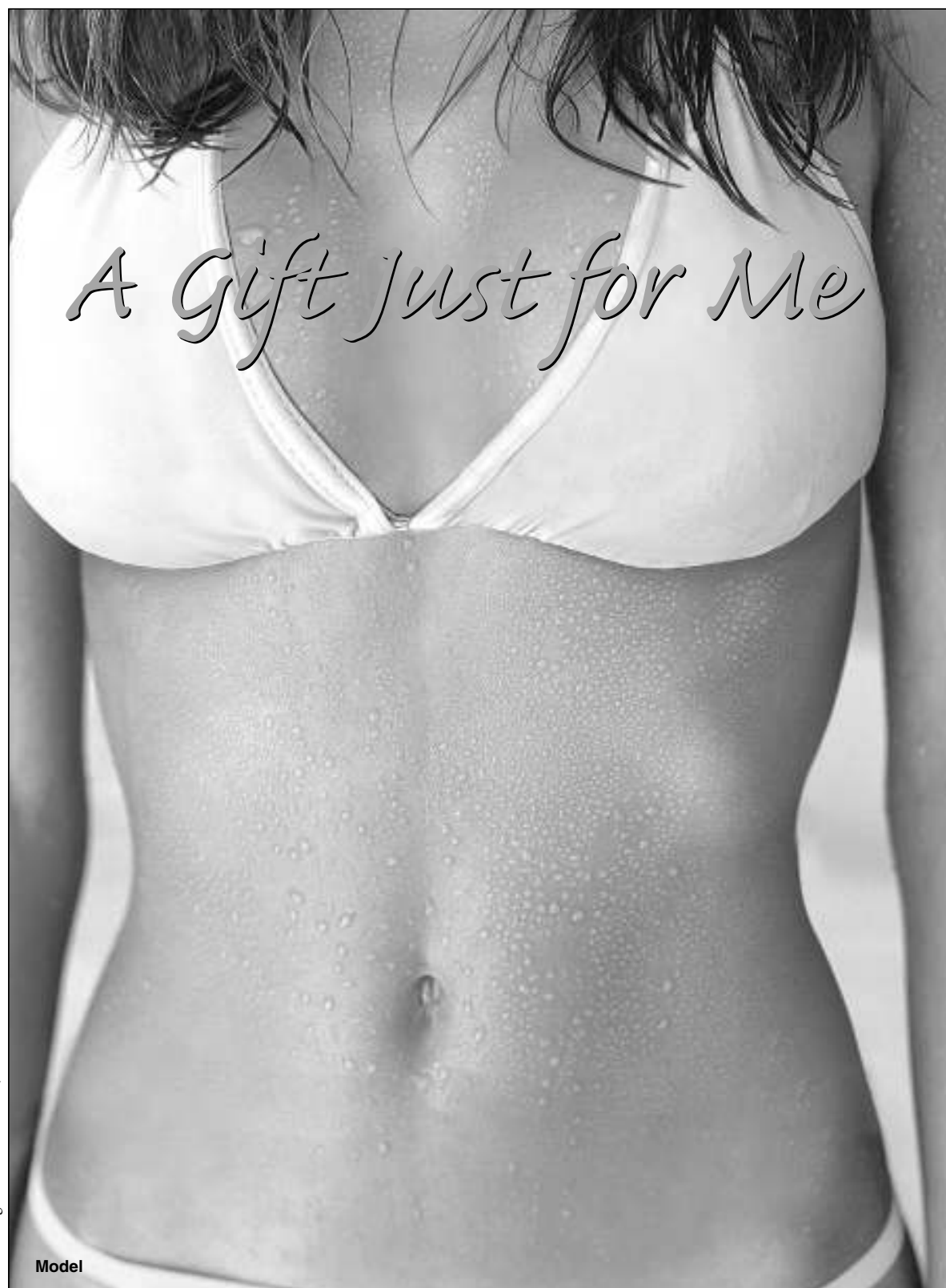
Maybe just a little bit?

"I would say that there's a borderline. That little edge. I'm mischievous, but I never, ever want to endorse or encourage someone being vicious or, you know, too cool for school, that kind of thing. I would like to be respected but not put up on a pedestal. I don't like people taking things so damned serious."

But there is a serious side to Sue Delany?

"My serious concerns are the abuse or neglect of the environment, cruelty to children or animals. They can't speak for themselves, they're so innocent. That eats me up. I

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do a lot of charity work on my own time for I Love a Clean Ocean, I'm involved with Greenpeace quite a bit, the San Diego Humane Society, the Helen Woodward Animal Center, Canine Companions..."

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uation ceremonies, which they have four times a year. They have this boot camp for the handicapped — hearing loss or other severe disabilities — where they train people to utilize the dogs who can answer phones..." She laughed. "Yes! They open elevator doors, it's incredible. I'm

there to kind of lighten things up. It's very emotional as these people are given dogs who become their arms, their legs, their ears..."

Delaney described other activities like celebrity "cheffing," or bartending, walking handicapped people around on horseback

"...through this ring. Every time they complete a lap, money is donated. Horses and I go way back, so that's a natural for me. That's through the Helen Woodward Animal Center."

She was anxious to shift the subject back to rock and roll. All right, if she were stranded on a

desert island with one album?

"Physical Graffiti [Led Zeppelin]. You're a rat. Terrible question."

And one rock star? Just as quickly: "Robert Plant." (Lead singer for Led Zeppelin)

Last book read: *Hammer of the Gods*. (About

Led Zeppelin)

Could she take a guess as to the popular perception of her personality in San Diego?

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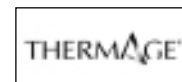
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It has been nearly 9 years since I left with two light suitcases but a hell of a lot more baggage than I thought I had and got into a taxi while Jane was at work. I walked out of a comfortable old house that I had renovated in a good area of town; walked away from 14 years of friendship and struggle, horrible fights and laughter, trouble, love, and dreams. I refuse to say I walked away from my son, because I don't think I've ever

done that, but the jury is still out. Certainly I walked away from full-time fatherhood. I felt I wasn't stepping into a cab so much as stepping off the edge of the world.

It was for love, I told myself. I had met someone I was certain I was to be with for the second half of my life.

When you love someone so intensely, I thought, you were supposed to do something about it. God wouldn't have made me feel this way if I were not meant to be with Her for the rest of my life.

I haven't seen Her since Memorial Day weekend four years ago.

I am still divorced. Nowadays I live in a stu-

A divorce is something you may never really get over (much less in nine months), like an old gunshot wound or scarlet fever. Finally, it is not the beginning of anything; it is an ending, make no mistake.



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dio apartment with a kitchenette. I often sleep in my clothes and rarely bother to open the sofa bed. I wake at 4:00 a.m. with the television strobing shadows or staring sightlessly back at me like some electronic surveillance camera into The Abyss. The remnants of last night's microwave dinner will invariably be on the coffee table next to me surrounded by several empty beer bottles and a full ashtray. It is in that 4:00 a.m. hour that shadows hover in the room like regrets, conse-

quences, the ghosts of choices.

At that hour my first thoughts are variations on *I'm middle-aged, how did that happen and how long has it been going on?* Oh yeah, I'm living in San Diego on Nutmeg Street. I've moved a half-dozen times in nine years. I'm not married to Jane anymore; that was just a dream... the young boy in the dream... was that my son or was it me?

Jane and I met in 1970. I was 19 years old,

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she was 26. Pictures I have of us in Central Park show two beautiful flakes in the snow: me in white-fringed jacket, shoulder-length hair, and lamb-chop sideburns darker than my straight, light-brown hair beneath an oversized denim cap, the kind I'd seen John Lennon wear. Janey is wearing an ankle-length white Afghan coat trimmed with colorful, embroidered patterns. Exactly as tall as I am, her hair is to her waist and she is smiling into the camera — into the future. I can't look at that photo for too long. Not because there remains any painful wound; no, the scar tissue is in place and the emotions have fossilized. The reason I can't stare too long at that picture and Janey's smile is simply because she outstares me.

It would have been the summer before that we had tried to avoid staring into each other's eyes over red wine in a cafe at Bethesda Fountain, a place that no longer exists. (The fountain does, not the cafe.) Norman Mailer would eat lunch there and Germaine Greer, Zero Mostel, and Lauren Bacall. We began to feel like stars ourselves, as if we were actors in some romantic, intellectual art film. We would spend hours at that great, good place whose name I can't remember — until 5:30 approached and Jane's husband would be returning home from work.

Gregg was a television sitcom producer who got his job through his famous father. Gregg would throw parties at his East Side apartment with semi-famous, now-forgotten actors. The parties were popular and took place nightly. Wine, vodka, and marijuana flowed. Gregg was a hip guy with shoulder-length hair, suede shirts, and faded denim bell-bottoms. One night I found myself at Gregg and Jane's, following a convoy of revelers from another party down in the village. I had my guitar and a few musician friends along, and we entertained Gregg's showbiz guests. Gregg insisted I could stay as his houseguest for as long as I liked if I taught him guitar. He said I could even sleep with his wife and laughed, clapping me on the back.

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70th Street was huge by New York standards: three bedrooms and a large living and dining area. On some nights I'd give Gregg a guitar lesson, or try. I was a bad teacher and he was an easily distracted student. Gregg brought women home — girls, really — and disappeared with them for hours into the master bedroom. When there wasn't a party raging in the other rooms, during which time Jane kept everyone's glasses filled, she would sit in the living room crocheting or reading. She felt she wasn't terribly hip because she didn't share Gregg's concept of "open marriage."

Jane never seemed jealous of Gregg's dalliances so much as confused. She sensed, rightly, that it was swine-ish behavior rather than hip, but she did so in a quiet, seething way. She said little about it because it was the '60s (or near enough) and she was probably just "hung up." We would often end up talking late into the night, sometimes until dawn. Some days Jane looked for work as a copywriter on Madison Avenue. I played guitar and wrote bad songs and worse novellas on an old Olympia.

One night, while Gregg slept with the latest of his "friends," Jane and I fell asleep in each other's arms in the guest room. We were fully clothed and my guitar lay between us. Two empty bottles of Almaden Claret stood like useless sentinels on both nightstands. I won't say nothing happened (neither will Jane; to this day neither of us remembers exactly), but it couldn't have been much.

Gregg, hung over, maybe still drunk or high, discovered us and decided to throw me out.

It's 4:17 a.m. now in my apartment on Nutmeg. Staring at the soundless television on which a 1982 made-for-TV movie called *Don't Go to Sleep* (Dennis Weaver and Valerie Harper) is flickering inanely around the room, I decide to write all of this down.

I remember the first part of the fistfight with Gregg, but not what happened after he struck a blow to the side of my head that had me dizzy and unsteady on my feet. I didn't go down,

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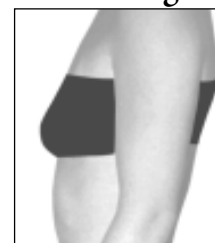


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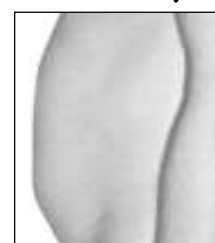


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though; I remember that.

"I'm leaving, Gregg. All right? Jesus."

"I'm going with you," Jane had said.

"No, you're not!" Gregg and I said in unison. But Gregg had grabbed Jane's hair and tried to pull her into the bathroom. Gregg was already inside, Jane was at his arm's length resisting and crying. The door swung open or closed from the outside, so I slammed the door on his hand and leaned

on it hard. Released, Jane ran to the front door, stopping only to grab her oversized crocheted handbag.

Gregg was screaming, "My hand, you son of a bitch! My hand!" That was the last I saw or heard from him.

That's how Jane and I started.

Inauspicious. Sordid enough too, I suppose; in a dramatic haze seen through red wine bottles and marijuana smoke.

We hitchhiked across the country, waited on tables, and worked bookstores. We traveled through northern Europe where, outside the British Museum, we adopted an image of our future selves: A couple in their late 60s in sensible walking shoes, khakis, rucksacks, and armloads of books. The man wore a tweed fishing-type cap, and the woman had long silver hair in a ponytail. They walked briskly, at a match-

ing pace with a similar gait, and spoke energetically, smiling at each other with an affection that could be nothing but genuine. Their body language, faces, and eyes said they were at home with each other and the world, and excited about both.

We were married at Manhattan city hall in a roomful of mostly black and Hispanic couples accompanied by a dozen children. The heat was equa-

torial. Jane's mascara ran and she felt faint; my white shirt was plastered to my chest and back as I sweated out the previous night's champagne.

A month later in the same record-breaking heat wave, our son Justin was born in St. Vincent's Hospital in the West Village. I was in the delivery room at 3:00 a.m. for his birth. I remember deep gouges in my arms where Janey had dug her fingernails in,

snarling obscenities I didn't know were in her repertoire. I don't remember the gouges being inflicted, though; I had a rapidly evaporating hangover. By 3:07 a.m. when Justin emerged from Janey, a bundle of snot and blood and beauty, I realized that I had never done anything important before.

Flash forward 17 years: 4:35 a.m. No moon. Darkness except for the computer monitor and the skirling of shadows at my back cast by the silent television screen. I think: *I was going to write about my divorce, not my marriage.* Yet divorce isn't about itself, but what went before. Most of the clichés you hear on the subject are so much happy crap: that divorce is "a beginning, not an ending"; that "it takes about nine months to get over it, about as long as a pregnancy"; or the one about how "it's always hardest on the children." I've found these things to be untrue. For one, children tend to be more resilient than adults. And a divorce is something you may never really get over (much less

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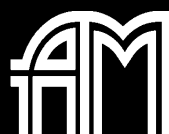
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in nine months), like an old gunshot wound or scarlet fever. Finally, it is not the beginning of anything; it is an ending, make no mistake. It is not often a symbolic rebirthing but a very real death, not just of a shared dream, but of a piece, large or small, of two flesh-and-blood human beings.

After Justin's birth we moved to Queens, where we could afford a larger apartment. I tended bar at two places in Manhattan while Jane took a leave of absence from advertising, a leave that would stretch into three years.

We fought over money. Sex became infrequent, usually because we were both exhausted. I worked nights and tried to sleep during the days. Jane tried to sleep whenever she could. Justin was our center of gravity. I managed to write a long autobiographical novel about an Irish family, which Jane and I were both excited about — it would solve our money problems. It remains

unpublishable (and for many pages unreadable) to this day. I drank at work, and I drank on my days off when I wrote. Jane never gave me any shit about it.

In 1980 we moved from Queens to San Diego, where Jane's father in the real estate business had scouted out a nice little "fixer-upper" for us in Old

Hung sheet rock. Laid cement flooring. Tile roofing. Brick patio. Wallpaper. Strip, sand, stain wainscoting and ceiling beams. Terrace back yard with railroad ties, dirt fill, and ice plants. I wasn't very good at any of it, but I learned, taking more time at it than someone who was naturally handy. Jane planted

She rarely said anything, but once in a while she would suggest, innocently enough, that I might find a job with the airlines or take some computer and business courses...maybe real estate.

Town, built in 1883. The price was \$50,000. He would put up the down payment; I would contribute the sweat and the time and the mortgage payments.

Got a job tending bar at an expensive Italian restaurant downtown and a gin mill in Coronado.

nasturtiums, gardenias, roses, ferns, baby's tears, garlic, and forget-me-nots. She was good at that and still is. I glazed windows fairly well and hacksawed trumpet vines away from the roof planks and gutters.

Now Justin and The House were the twin suns

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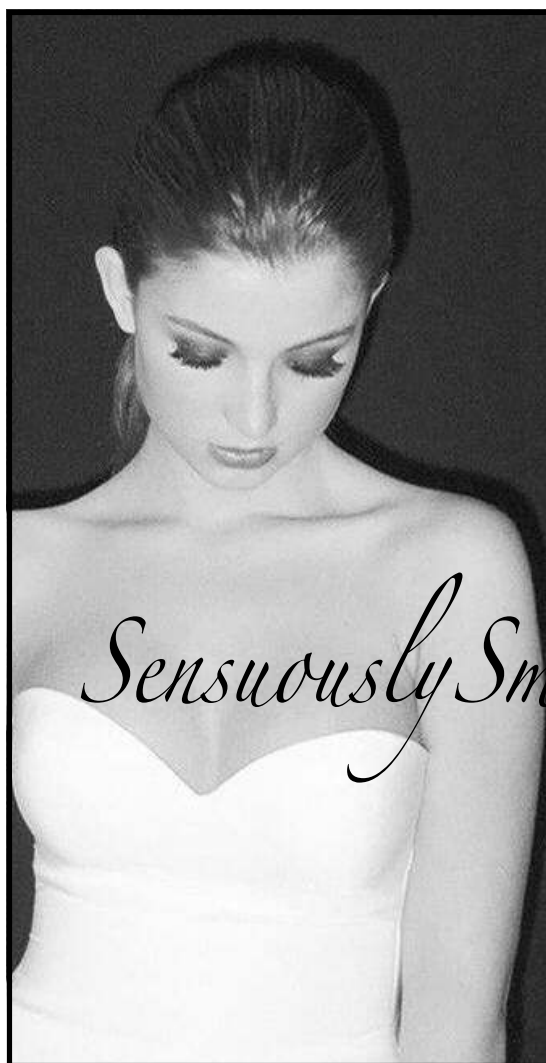
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we orbited, gliding effortlessly past each other without friction. We joked about our "edifice complex" and drank white wine together once in a while at night. If we drank enough, we made love. Justin grew.

It took four years to get the house and grounds into, if not cover-issue-*House Beautiful* material, something less than a neighborhood eyesore and more than a pleasant home. Justin was seven and doing well in first grade, and we loved him madly as we always have. I was making decent money behind a popular bar in Mission Valley and selling some magazine articles to pay extra bills. Jane had landed a well-paying job as an advertising manager with a Del Mar firm, and we were better off than we'd been four years ago when Ronald Reagan first came into office.

But I didn't think so. Not really. I still don't know why and can only feebly point to Edgar Allan Poe's concept of "The Imp of the Perverse." I felt I had become

"Ozzie" in someone else's teleplay for *Ozzie and Harriet* in the '80s. I was having trouble breathing.

Instead of the long-haired, crocheting, Rimbaud-quoting romantic who had hitchhiked to Los Angeles with me a dozen years ago, I was living with a woman with short-cropped hair who was thinking seriously about

real estate. It wouldn't hurt to cut the hair and moustache either, the '60s were long gone. I could still work on the novel in my spare time, of course, but now the idea of "writing" became analogous to hubby putting model airplanes together in the attic on weekends — a harmless but silly idea.

Maybe that's not how she felt, but it's how I felt

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voting Republican, who dressed for success with power skirt-suits, Adidas, and a briefcase. She made more money than I did bartending and freelance writing. She rarely said anything, but once in a while she would suggest, innocently enough, that I might find a job with the airlines or take some computer and business courses... maybe

she felt.

Jane still smoked pot, something I had long given up (it made me stupid, passive, and paranoid simultaneously) but had switched to much better wines and seemed to be learning a great deal about them from someone. I had switched from cheap wine to mid-priced scotch. Our sex life in the last two years of our

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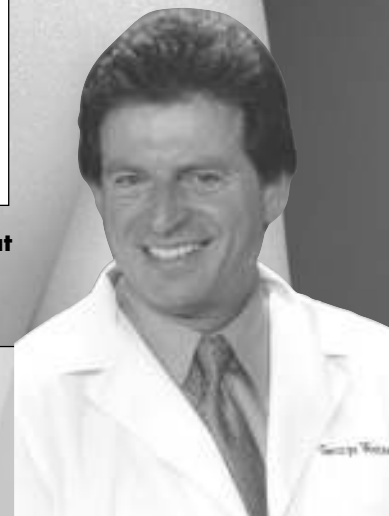
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marriage became a delicate alchemical balance between these mind-altering elements and coinciding free evenings. Jane worked long hours, and when I wasn't working, I was in the study typing. One afternoon at the

felt something similar. I will not write that this was love at first sight, but it was exactly what is meant by that phrase. More accurately it was very powerful chemistry at a critical pheromonal distance. She was here about the

did the same. On slow nights, she would smoke cigarettes and speak Spanish to the kitchen help rather than lean against the cocktail station and shoot the shit with me the way many of the waitresses did. That was all right; I knew that if she came near me for any length of time, I would be long gone down that deep drain of desire.

In the meantime, Jane was coming home later and later. She would often be giggling, smelling of Beaujolais, carrying a bottle or two of some "puckish, yet not ponderously ethnic little Bardolino" or whatever. The nights I worked, I wouldn't know what time she got home. The babysitter once asked me for extra money because she had to

stay until after 11:00 p.m. on a few occasions. I didn't think anything about it; the ad business was, Jane said, "like warfare: days of boredom interrupted by weeks of desperation and madness. There are always casualties."

One night behind the bar, I was examining my burgeoning pot belly. The busboy reassured me, "It's a beer muscle, dude." But

I was half serious as I groused about an old friend who came in and mentioned my "prosperous girth... You look like the jolly fuckin' innkeeper," he had said.

I asked the waitresses if I was getting fat, and they all said versions of "Yeah. And you're losing your hair too." Or "Pretty soon, your semi-annual hard-on is going to become your

annual semi-hard-on." Things like that.

I responded with like insults to the staff — things unnecessarily crude, but highly witty, I was sure. Annie walked up to the bar and said, "I think you look very good." What I heard was I want you, take me now. I was gone. That was the precise moment my life changed in an irretrievable way. I tried to get it back over

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bar in Mission Valley a woman came in wearing a gray flannel skirt and bolero jacket over a white, high-necked blouse. She had amber blonde hair frosted with natural silver, and the crow's feet at the corners of her eyes looked like some exotic facial tattoo drawing attention to her fawn's eyes, the same color as her hair. Her earrings were bone or ivory. She asked if I was the manager, and for a moment I forgot whether or not I was.

She certainly wasn't young, close to 40, and was probably a more classic beauty 20 years earlier, but when she spoke, her voice reminded me of caramel and cognac and I felt nervous; a very warm, amphetamine-like pulsing of blood coursed through my chest, cheeks, and the back of my neck. She later told me she

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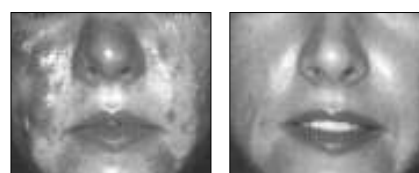
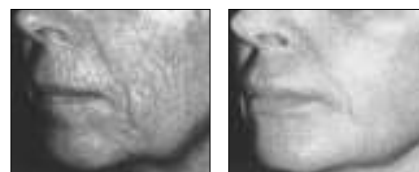
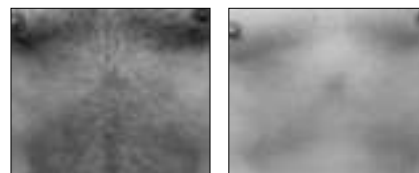
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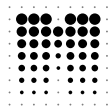
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the next several months as I had the affair with Annie, but it was like trying to pick a dozen raw eggs up off the kitchen floor with one hand.

Being virtuous, true, a wonderfully honest man, I told Annie from the first that I was married. I showed her the white-gold wedding band. She said, "I know. You would be. I was married twice. To the wrong people, but I still believe in marriage." We had drinks after closing time and talked. We ended up in her condo in Fashion Valley one night, drunk. I was so hammered, nervous, and guilty, I couldn't do anything, though I tried. We met again and again and eventually chemistry won out over my Catholicism. It was sadistically ironic — and thoroughly Catholic and correct — that the sex was unlike anything I had ever experienced before because of the elements of passion and taboo.

I would go home and sit next to my son's bed, reeking from gin, talking quietly so as not to wake him, and then start crying.

One night I woke him up, and it was "his mother" (as I now thought of Jane) who asked me what was wrong.

I said, "We have to get divorced." This was three months into the affair.

Silence.

"No," my son said, "don't." He had no idea what the word meant, but he knew it was not a good thing. He could smell death the way children can, could

melody.

— John D. MacDonald,
The Turquoise Lament

* * *

5:25 a.m., 1994: This is scab-picking, nothing less. Mailer once wrote something to the effect that a Catholic with a hangover needs to clean up some dog shit or something to mortify the spirit. Writing this is an equivalent, I figure. Nine

Annie was something I needed. I don't feel I'm wrong about that, even today.

not pretend it was something else. He began to cry.

"You drunken asshole. Are you happy?" Jane shushed him to sleep and whispered to me, "Go to bed." I fell asleep on the floor of our bedroom, no longer feeling it was right to take my usual side on the four-poster.

*Excuses have a hollow sound.
Lies have an earnest tacky*

years. Nine years and still I feel like a Cossack who invaded and pillaged his own home with base appetites and unimaginative visions of glory dancing in his vodka-crazed head. I also feel it is vain to judge yourself, so I can't win on this one.

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sounds. Almost no traffic on First Avenue. I could be in the country, but the jays and crows and starlings sound mocking, annoying. It's insane to take it personally, but they seem to be chanting a far more primordial, universal commentary. This is the song. Here's a riff, a variation, the morning chorus by nature's unruined choir. Your story is unimportant,

Within six months of moving in with Annie, I moved out again to an apartment in North Park.

man-person.

Yeah, well, fuck you.

I try to go back to sleep on my sofa-bed couch and find that I cannot. I can't get to the truth of anything, maybe. But not to try...the birds would drive me nuts forever.

Oh, join in with your own ruined chorus anytime.

Annie and I were completely caught up in each other, or who each of us

thought we were. We didn't fight until I lost my nerve. I couldn't leave my "babies." Justin was literally "my baby," but I now found it crippling real that I thought of my wife in this way as well. It was a bad hour in the middle of the day involving much clutching of pillows and odd sounds coming from my throat. But Annie was something I needed. I don't feel

I'm wrong about that, even today. But with hindsight, I was as wrong as is possible for a man to be. I don't know. Most likely I never will.

Jane asked me to stay until Justin finished the school year. The idea was, she had read something about children of separating or divorcing couples taking a nosedive in the scholastic area. It was a

delaying tactic, but I had to agree. Of course, of course, it's the least I can do.

I stayed until the first week of July. My son seemed confused but did not appear to be suffering. Jane and I suffered. Annie suffered too, paying for my guilt and vacillations. I was surly at times with her, probably blaming her, cowardly unconscious, for wrecking my home. It didn't help that we worked together. On one morning after an all-night fight, Ann quit the restaurant. She wouldn't work again for a year.

A La Jolla maître d' named Walter seemed to be at the house every Sunday morning when I'd drive over to pick up Justin to go to the beach or the movies. He would be sitting in my old chair, watching my old television, drinking coffee from my old mug and announce, "Justin! Bob is here." Not *Your dad is here*.

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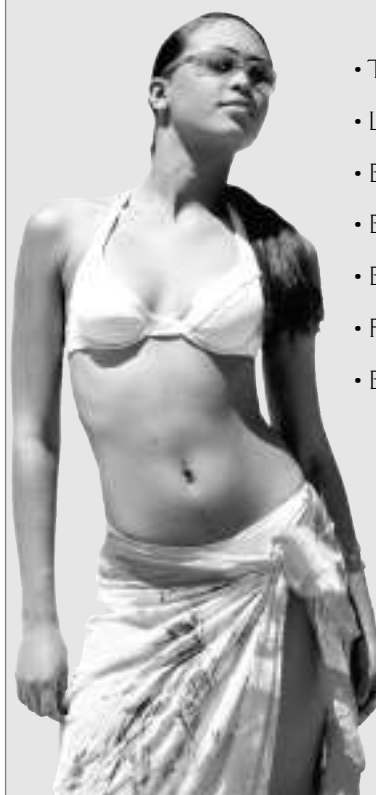
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on the dining room wall and smiled, "That's not exactly a right angle, is it? Are you sure you measured that?" Maybe, feeling momentarily awkward, he meant it as harmless "guy talk," but it had the effect of making me want to clean my ex-toilet with his beard.

I lost weight, too much. I chalked it up to separation, divorce, and the increasingly roller-coaster-like relationship with Ann. Within six months of moving in with Annie, I moved out again to an apartment in North Park. Ann and I still saw each other several nights a week and tried to work things out, but we could barely go for three days in a row without an eruption of drama and flying crockery, which once brought the police in the middle of the night.

My weight loss was due to a rapid degenerative disease of the central nervous system: MS. I experienced numbness and tremors, loss of balance. It was seven months after I walked out

the door and into that taxi that the doctor had used the term multiple sclerosis.

I remember saying, "Fine. Just great. Whatever. I really don't care."

The sun is up now and I close the Venetian blinds. Make more coffee. God, don't get into the MS thing. This isn't about disease. It's about your divorce. But I don't see how you can sep-

morning. I make the coffee.

I reacted every way there is to react. I pretended it wasn't happening. I cried and felt sorry for myself. I resigned myself to dying in a year or less, and for days at a time I really didn't care. I decided I had to go back to Jane before it was too late, the divorce wasn't final. If I went back, everything would be all right;

Walter looked up at me and I could see, almost hear, something snap. "What are you doing here?" he asked.

arate the two things. Was it just some horrible coincidence that within months after leaving my wife for another woman, my nerves began to devour themselves with a deadly disease?

Yes. Yes. That's all it was, coincidence. Bad luck. Bad timing.

I'd suddenly rather have a beer than coffee. For chrissakes, it's 6:30 in the

this judgment would be lifted. Besides, I was still on Jane's health plan. I couldn't afford months of expensive medical treatment on my own.

But it was too late. Walter had moved in with his cases of wine, record collection, and meerschaum pipe filling the house with the scent of coconut and vanilla.

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Among my reactions to the bad medical news was now anger.

One night I called to say good night to Justin, and Jane told me he was doing a sleepover in Balboa Park with the Cub Scouts. It was a chilly night, and I asked if he had enough blankets, warm clothes. She assured me he had, but I told her the Boy Scout camp was only a few blocks from my apartment and I thought I'd walk over and check on him, see who was supervising the thing.

"Fine," she said. What she didn't say was that it was Ol' Walt supervising the campout. He was the designated den leader for that activity.

Searching through the twilight gloom of the park, past tents and kids in blue-and-gold or green khaki, cooking fires burning marshmallows and hot dogs, I found Justin. He was running around a collapsing tent with four of his friends shouting Indian war cries.

Flailing away at the

tent pegs with a steel mallet — voice hoarse from shouting at the kids, firelight catching his flushed cheeks, sweat gleaming on his forehead, his eyes deranged with frustration — was Walter.

I called to Justin to settle down and he stopped running. The other kids piled onto his back. Walter looked up at me, and I could see, almost hear, something snap. "What are you doing here?" he asked. Clearly pissed, he looked at me as if I were the Ghost of Christmas Past.

"I'm just checking on Justin. I'm his father, Walt."

Probably not aware he still had the mallet in his hands, Walt stood and walked slowly toward me. "This is my time with Justin," he said with an edge in his voice. "You understand? I don't tag along with you when you take him to the movies or whatever you do. I don't appreciate your horning in on our weekend, Bob!" His voice rose too much, and he had approached that

critical distance known as "in your face." The kids were all looking on in horror: a sweaty, hairy, wild-eyed man with a large hammer was shouting at another, equally hairy, larger man around a campfire. A scene of ugly primordial menace.

Very quietly I asked him, "You wanna put the hammer down, Walt?"

He looked at it and dropped it onto the grass. Behind him, the tent collapsed again. "Hey, I..." he dropped his voice.

"First of all, Walt," I turned my back on him and walked away from the campfire, out of earshot of the boys. I jerked my head to indicate he should follow me. He fell into step behind me. I continued in a conversational tone. "I didn't know you were gonna be here." I laughed so the kids would know everything was okay.

"Secondly," I turned and backed him into a tree. I was now in his critical, personal space. He flinched. From a distance it looked

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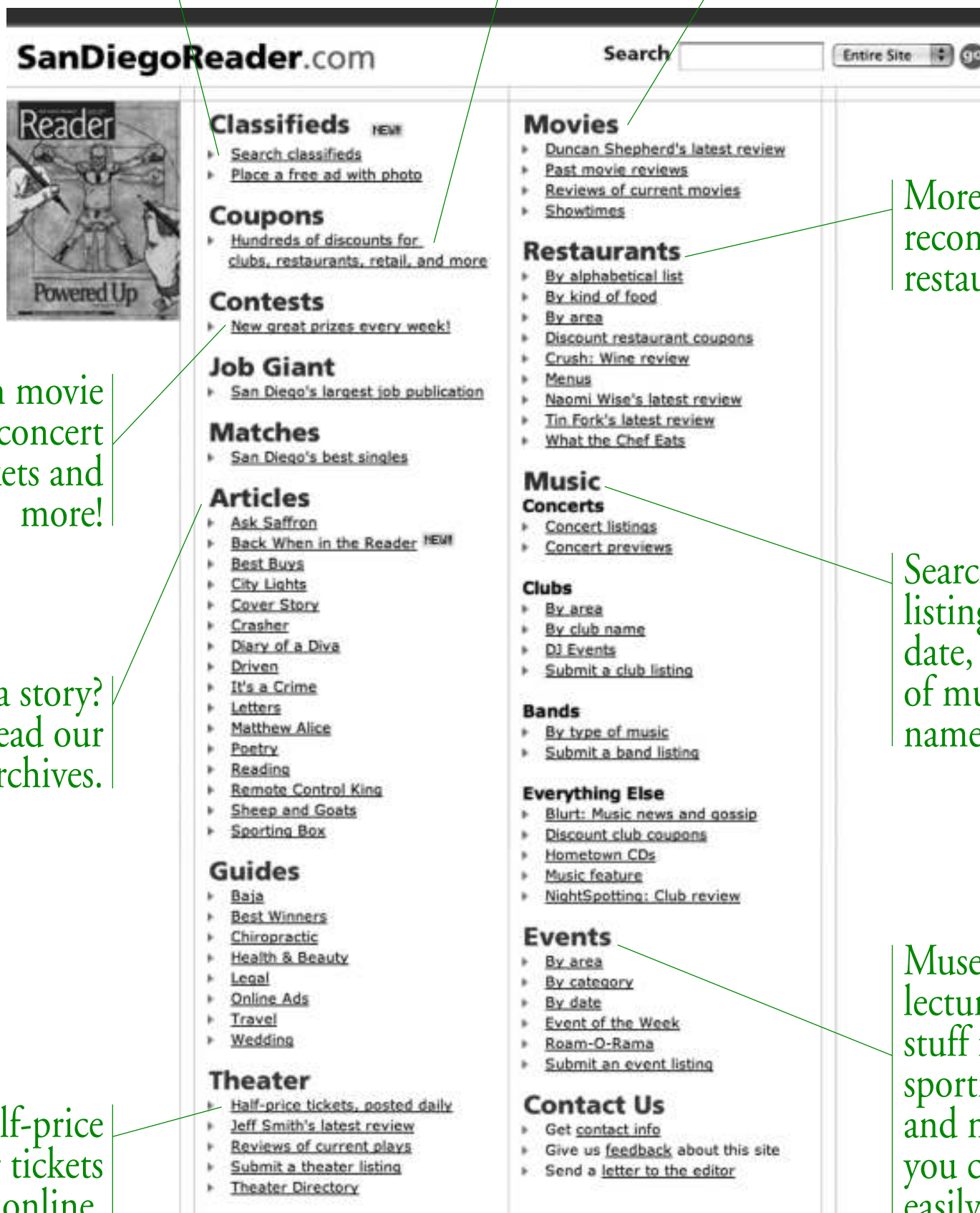
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as if we were just conferring secretly. Grown-up to grown-up. "Secondly, Walt. There is no such thing as an inappropriate time for me to visit my son whenever it is physically possible to do so. Never. No such thing. Third, Wally..." I was speaking in low, friendly tones. "You are not Justin's father. I am. Justin knows this and I do too. Jane has that down real well, so it's just left to you to get it. See?" I put my arm past his ear and leaned my left hand against the tree. "You're Jane's boyfriend, and that about covers it, wouldn't you say?"

"Look," he said. "These kids are driving me nuts. I've got to get back." He sounded exhausted. "I guess you're right. I'm sorry I snapped at you."

"Okay. But we're clear on this, right?"

"Yes. Yes." He nodded. I clapped him on the back real hard and let out a loud chuckle as if we had been talking about those idiot Padres.

I waved to Justin. "Hey, Jus' — help Waldo put up the tent, okay? I'll talk to you tomorrow." Justin gave me the okay sign we used between us and I left. I knew he would have the tent up in five minutes. I kind of felt sorry for Walter. I've rarely seen anyone who needed a drink so badly. I hoped he'd brought some beer, for his own sake.

Jane agreed to hold off on divorce proceedings in order to keep me on her health plan. I was grateful. I was not getting any healthier, so I signed over a Quit Claim Deed on the house for enough money to live on for six months.

It was a bad year that stretched into a bad 16 months of medical treatment, poverty, and disillusionment, as well as a hopeless, melodramatic relationship with Annie. We broke up, got back together. I developed trouble with double vision, and sometimes my jaw would go slack and my speech would be slurred when I was stone-cold sober. Annie didn't bargain for this, and who could blame her? Well, I did, of course.

Jane got most of the friends from our old life. The word was that I had run off, abandoned my

family for an old cocktail waitress. This was a much more interesting version of the truth than the facts. My worst fears came to pass: I lost my family and I was losing the woman I loved and left everything for. A certain relief began to fill me: the worst had happened. *Whaddya gonna do now, God? Kill me? Ooohhh, I'm shaking. Go ahead. Do it. No, really...*

For a year or so, I felt like an animated corpse. The MS was under control, but how was I supposed to live? More importantly, why?

After I was in remission for six months, Jane said she wanted to marry Walter. She wanted the divorce. I told her that was fine. I was okay. Ann and I had broken up. I got a book deal and lived in Mexico. My health plan would consist of thinking good thoughts and writing. The tough part was switching gears: I had rehearsed my own death for nearly a year; I was sure the MS was going to kill me — and now the rules had changed.

By the time Jane agreed to let me spend time with Justin in the company of Ann, Ann was no longer in the picture. Three weeks to the day after our divorce was final, Jane and Walter

were married. Justin wore a suit and bow tie. I saw pictures of the wedding.

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8:00 a.m. Justin will be on his way to school in half an hour. Walter will drive him; I'll pick him up at 2:15 at San Diego High on my motorcycle and take him to a bookstore to find Dungeons and Dragons books and a copy of Huxley's *Doors of Perception* for his philosophy class. Then we'll get a pizza. Afterward, maybe we'll see *Addams Family Values* at a cheap theater at 54th and El Cajon. I won't take him to my apartment to show him my new computer or the human skull I just bought at an auction in Anaheim, though he would like to see these things, I think. This place is too much like the dorm room he'll probably inhabit in a couple of years at UCSD or Stanford.

He is 17. Jane is turning 50 this fall. I'm gonna say I'm in my mid-40s, but maybe that's stretching it a tad.

Soon I'll have him over to look at my library and maybe even share a beer. That's a ways up the road, but not far. At that time, maybe Justin will understand that I've been to a sort of college myself in

the past eight years. A slow student.

I've got the scrapbooks gathering dust: Justin's old soccer pictures and baseball trophies he wasn't interested in at the time. I could show him posters of artwork and blown-up reviews of my stuff, book covers and pieces in national magazines. But I suppose he'll find it secondary to what interests him most. And that would be: *Who are we, you and I? What went wrong with you and Mom? You seemed to get along so well after you left.* And:

"Whatever happened to whatsername, Annie? And do you have 50 bucks? Can I drive your motorcycle? Anything to eat around here? How old is this pizza? You really sleep on that?"

I see it like this: "Here's the keys. Be careful. If you do drugs, uh... use a condom."

"Hah hah, don't worry." "What? Me worry?"

"Yeah, Dad. You do. You do." ■

— Robert Johnson

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ties and gray areas with regard to many of the "facts" and circumstances of the case.

4. In my humble opinion, Mr. Pfingst came across as more skillful and experienced in his courtroom demeanor, presentation, and tactics in comparison with those of Ms. Sussman and Ms. Parker. I also observed that Ms. Sussman was less orchestrated and had a tendency to "jump from subject to subject" (as stated in your article).

5. I saw absolutely no evidence of any kind of collusion, favoritism, or prejudice from Judge Wickersham. I thought him to be fair and impartial.

6. Judge Wickersham never "yelled" at anyone, period.

7. I do not consider this mistrial "a great injustice." Perhaps the mistrial was justified. How is a juror/lawyer to know and judge this issue?

8. I do not feel that the plaintiff, Ms. Lopez, "was not given a fair trial."

9. Though obviously not a legal professional (but having served on a number of juries in the past, both criminal and civil), I did not

see incompetence on the part of Judge Wickersham.

10. I did observe that Judge Wickersham was quite patient with Ms. Sussman in helping her avoid asking leading questions.

11. I do not think that Mr. Pfingst was made to "look stupid." On the contrary, I thought he looked quite polished and professional.

12. I never thought of Mr. Pfingst as a "celebrity" (and actually voted against him in the most recent election).

13. I'm willing to discuss any aspects of this case with anyone at any time.

W.H. (Bill) McKnight
University City

Don Bauder responds: Juror McKnight obviously disagrees with the 10 jurors who said otherwise under oath. McKnight is correct that 14 jurors were there at the end, not 15, as I quoted one attorney saying.

BCraves Info

Matt Potter's cover story on the campaign for a new airport ("Leavin' on a Jet Plane," February 24) addresses one of the most important policy issues facing San Diegans in this decade. I applaud the Reader's efforts to bring this matter to the public's attention before city politicians

and real estate speculators bamboozle voters into approving the costly boondoggle that a new airport would be.

Unfortunately, Mr. Potter's article doesn't do as good a job as it might have in illuminating this issue. He is a good reporter and doubtless very familiar with myriad facts surrounding the airport controversy. However, his article rapidly becomes bogged down in a mass of trivia about various public relations firms that is boring and not helpful in understanding the bigger picture.

I would like to know, for example, what arguments are made pro and con about the new airport. I'd like to understand which constituencies are supporting the closing of Lindbergh Field and why. And I'd like a summary of the arguments made by people who want to keep Lindbergh Field open, together with some constructive suggestions for how to relieve the looming overcapacity at single-runway Lindbergh Field. Would a less costly freight airport make sense to supplement the existing airport? Would it make sense to add additional runways and terminals at North Island and connect them by a subway train?

I hope the Reader will continue to cover the airport in future issues leading up to the referendum. This issue is too important to leave to the *Union-Tribune*.

Carol B. Wolfe
La Jolla

Arrogant

I really don't like the "Diary of a Diva" column. She's arrogant and pretty much a bitch. I will avoid reading it in the future.

Juleigh Jenner
via e-mail

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GEORGE CARLIN The veteran comic and best-selling author performs at Pala Casino. See **IN PERSON**, page 90



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LIGHTHOUSES OF POINT LOMA An interactive permanent exhibit opens at Cabrillo National Monument in Point Loma, featuring a five-foot, "third-order" flashing Fresnel lens. Festivities include wagon rides, 19th-century music and children's games, panel discussions, and rare access to the old lighthouse tower. See **SPECIAL**, page 93

LOUIS XIV Local supergroup (once called Convoy) say they don't sound like anyone else, but they play old Stones-style rock with glam and punk allusions, at SOMA. See **CONCERTS**, page 110

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EVEOCATION Eveoke Dance Theater's choreographers preview new dances, including modern and hip-hop, at this monthly forum. See **DANCE**, page 88

FASCINATING FELINES Folded ears, little tails, curly hair and long hair; Havana browns, Egyptian Maos, Maine Coons, and Tonkinese. Four-hundred-fifty aristocats compete in this benefit cat show, which continues from Saturday at the

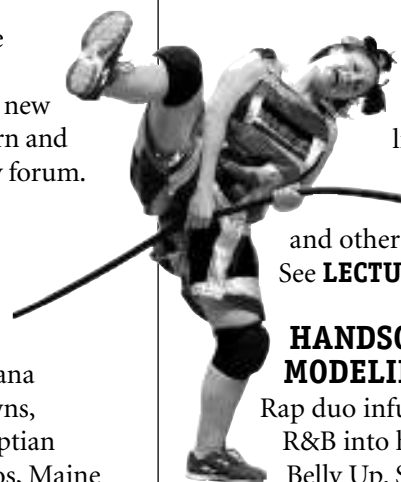


Del Mar Fairgrounds. See **SPECIAL**, page 94

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MUSIC ON THE WEB Learn to search library catalog for sheet music, CDs, and other musical works. See **LECTURES**, page 90

HANDSOME BOY MODELING SCHOOL Rap duo infuses rock and R&B into hip-hop at the Belly Up. See **CLUBS**, page 124

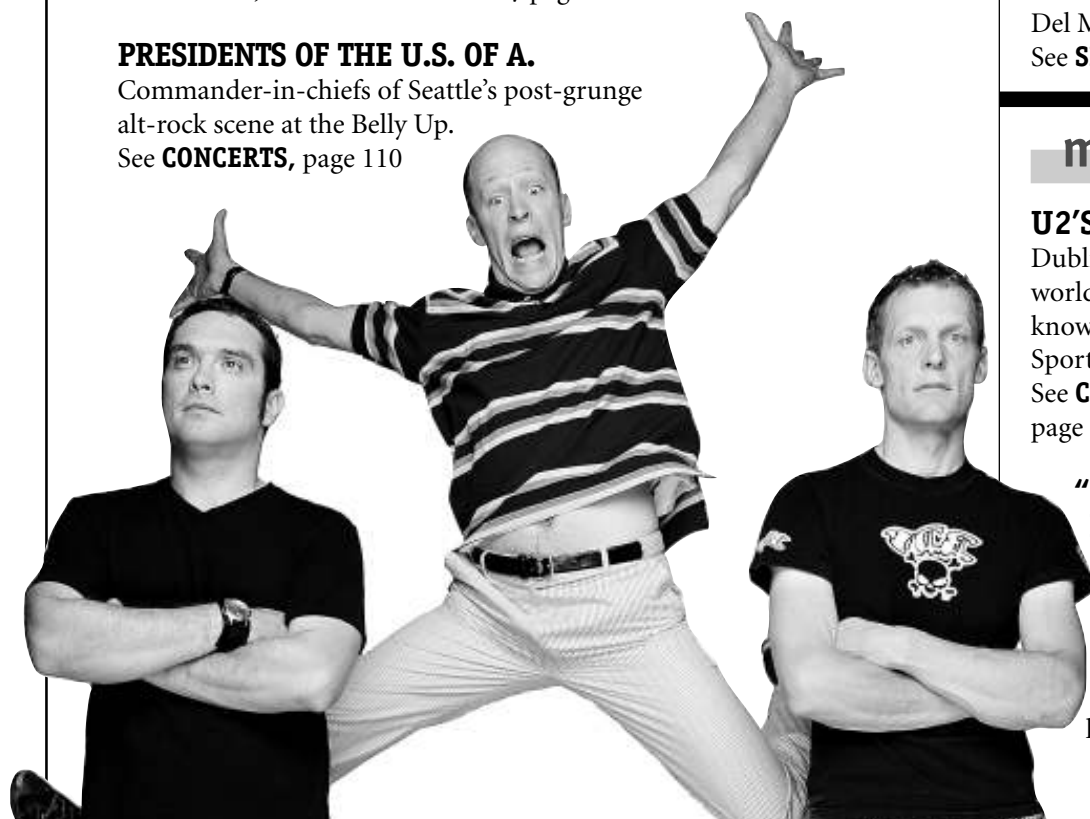


DEAR SENATOR The unacknowledged mixed-race daughter of the late senator from South Carolina reads from her book, *Dear Senator: A Memoir by the Daughter of Strom Thurmond*, at Barnes & Noble in La Mesa. See **IN PERSON**, page 92

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KING OF PAIN Shakespeare's father-daughters tragedy, *King Lear*, opens at San Diego Repertory Theater, with the Rep's artistic director, Sam Woodhouse, as Lear. See **THEATER**, page 103

PRESIDENTS OF THE U.S. OF A. Commander-in-chiefs of Seattle's post-grunge alt-rock scene at the Belly Up. See **CONCERTS**, page 110



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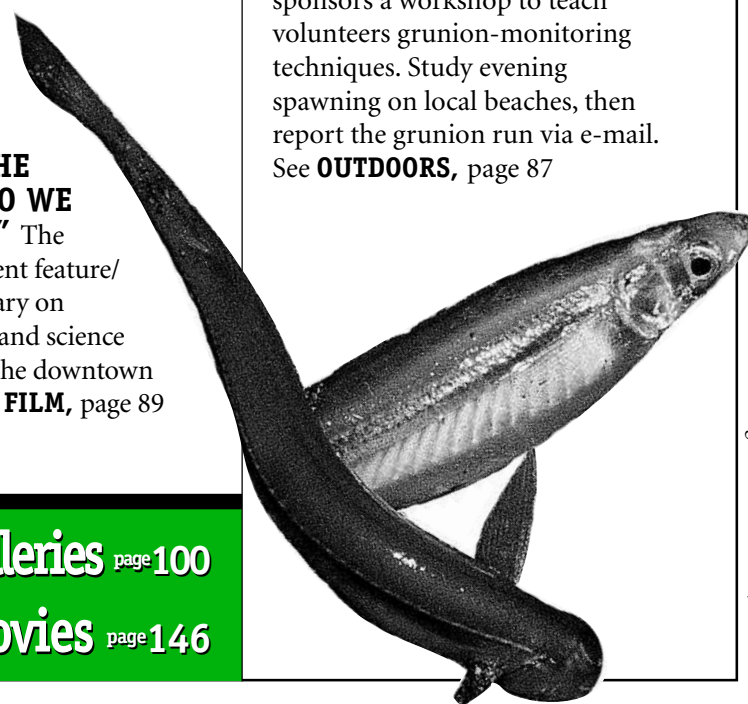
U2'S VERTIGO TOUR Dublin's Irish rock band opens its world tour at the venue formerly known as the Sports Arena. See **CONCERTS**, page 110

"WHAT THE BLEEP DO WE KNOW?" The independent feature/documentary on mysticism and science screens at the downtown library. See **FILM**, page 89

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SÃO PAULO PIANIST Luciane Cardassi plays pieces by Morton Feldman ("Palais de Mari"), Elliott Carter ("Night Fantasies"), and UCSD professor Harvey Sollberger ("Impromptu"). See **CLASSICAL MUSIC**, page 100

GRUNION GREETERS WANTED Birch Aquarium sponsors a workshop to teach volunteers grunion-monitoring techniques. Study evening spawning on local beaches, then report the grunion run via e-mail. See **OUTDOORS**, page 87



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Digital Hometown

Out of Hemet Premiere

'My mom bought some property in Hemet and I went with her and I was like, 'Who the hell lives in Hemet?' I thought it was the weirdest little town in no-man's land. It looked like such a cool place to base a movie," says Ari Davis, writer and director of *Out of Hemet*, an independent short film premiering Saturday, March 26, at the Museum of Contemporary of Art San Diego, La Jolla.

Davis, together with fellow California State University San Marcos students Matt Forsyth and Neal Lett, formed Brokenline Productions earlier this year. *Out of Hemet* is their first film. Forsyth is the art director, and Lett is the man behind the camera.

For five years before developing an interest in the entertainment industry, Davis was a professional surfer. After injuring his shoulder, he was forced to spend a year away from his board and lost his sponsors. "My best friend, Adam Brody [yes, the one on *The O.C.*] and I decided to move up to L.A. and try acting." After two disappointing years in L.A., the 24-year-old Davis decided to go back to college. "For some reason, I just felt that I needed a four-year degree to be completely satisfied with myself." He is scheduled to graduate next month.

"I knew I wanted to write about the cliques I ran with in the world around me," says Davis. "I clicked on my iTunes, threw on some Postal Service, and ended up with my script three months later." The story centers on Kara (played by Eden Hatle), a young woman examining her romantic options and weighing her desire to leave her hometown as part of a struggle to discover what she wants out of life.

All shooting and editing was done digitally, allowing the 35-minute-long film to

be made for far less than movies shot on film. The budget for four days of filming (not including scenes shot in L.A. and Hemet, which took an additional two days) was under \$10,000. David Trump, the film's producer, fronted the money, and coproducer Mike Logan provided the studio-quality lighting. "Mike worked on *Point Pleasant* and other Fox shows," says Davis.

All members of the cast and crew volunteered their services. It was important to Davis that everyone involved in this film be from San Diego. Locals might recognize scenes at La Jolla Shores, La Fuente restaurant in Hillcrest, Morley Field, and the Berkshire Motel on El Cajon Boulevard. Davis lives in Hillcrest.

"We're all students," says Davis. "Between 17 units [course credits] and full-time jobs, it took us five months to finish editing the film." Davis is a "professional car parker," working valet at the UCSD hospital in Hillcrest. Forsyth is a waiter at the Four Seasons in Carlsbad, and Lett (the youngest of the three at 24) owns a car-detailing company. The filmmakers met through Tony Allard's video class at Cal State San Marcos. As we spoke, Davis, Forsyth, and Lett were taking turns riding in a shopping cart at their local Rite-Aid — they were having their picture taken for the school paper.

"Casting the right people is hard," says Davis. "We'd pick someone and they would drop out or book something else. So many people said they were going to do stuff and didn't do it — that was the hardest thing I dealt with, and it really sucked." Davis explains that



Ari Davis, Matt Forsyth, Neal Lett

it's easy to overlook the details. "Like getting your audio right. You think it's right after you shoot it the whole day, and then the sound is horrible and you have to bring the actors in to do voiceovers, and then you have to match it up with their lips."

Local bands provided the music used in the film, including Kut U Up, Off By One, Electric Umbilical Cord, Daize Shayne, and Plastic Explosive. Before screening the film on Saturday, two of these bands will perform 25-minute live sets. "The after-party is gonna be rad," says Davis of the post-premiere event scheduled for Moondoggies on Prospect Avenue. He hints that there will be celebrities in tow, along with "big Fox [television network] lights, DJs, wild girls, and wild animals." Someone is supposed to bring a monkey.

Hatle, who was asked by Davis over coffee to be the leading actress, is nervous for the big night. "This is the first thing I've ever done, aside from theater in Carlsbad from age three to nine," she says. Her biggest concern right now, other than completing her courses at the Gemological Institute of America, is to find the right outfit to wear to the premiere.

— Barbarella

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LOCAL EVENTS

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BAJA

A 10K Run for everybody is set for Sunday, March 27, starting at 8 a.m. at Parque de la Amistad, Mesa de Otay. Registration: 7 a.m. 011-52-664-683-6962. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Painted Lady Butterflies are on the wing across San Diego County this month on what appears to be a significant migration from the Anza-Borrego Desert and



Banff Mountain Film Festival at San Diego Natural History Museum, March 25 and 26 (see Film)

northern Baja California toward the coast. Two weeks ago a parade of thousands of darting painted ladies were observed at the foot of Palomar Mountain, and last week there were reports of swarms of painted ladies near San Diego County's coastline. Chances are you will see these pale orange and brown butterflies winging west or northwest, toward greener, more succulent vegetation and away from the drying desert flora. With continued rainfall, the current migration could continue through April.

The Annual Green-to-Golden Transition of San Diego's wild grasslands starts during late March or early April, depending on the amount of late-season rainfall. North-facing hillsides and canyon slopes retain the green color longer, as they are less exposed to drying sunshine. Locally, most of the wild grasses are naturalized (non-native) annuals, the seeds of

which were introduced along with hay and other grains brought in by the Spaniards well over a century ago. Some of the mountain meadows have remnants of native grasses, which remain more or less green almost the year round. These rare native grasslands can be found in certain parts of Cuyamaca Rancho State Park and more widely distributed at the Santa Rosa Plateau Ecological Reserve in the Santa Ana Mountains west of Temecula.

The Sticky-Sweet Odor of citrus blossoms is wafting on the spring breezes this year, as it has in every year since the 1870s, when the county's first commercially planted orange and lemon groves began to produce fruit. From early plantings in areas like National City and Lemon Grove, citrus groves spread east and north as urbanization encroached. Today, a car or bicycle trip through Rancho Santa Fe, Pauma Valley, and the

outskirts of Escondido, Vista, and Fallbrook induces a pleasant reminiscence of San Diego County's agricultural past.

Full Moon occurs on the evening of Friday, March 25. Watch as the amber disk of the moon crawls above the east horizon just as the sun is going down in the west (just before 6 p.m.). Twelve hours later, you can watch the moon sink into the Pacific Ocean while the sun is coming up on the other side of the sky. This out-of-phase, rise-set synchronicity is characteristic of every full moon. The 12-hour difference on this occasion is explained by the fact that both the sun and the moon will be near opposing equinoxes in the sky — in other words, both will lie nearly over Earth's equator.

Moonlight Serenade, naturalist Larry Allen Tonar leads moderate to strenuous 4.5-mile moonlight walk on Sage Trail in Daley Ranch on Friday, March 25. Adventure

starts at 5 p.m. in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Ocean Beach Exploration led by Walkabout walkers on Friday, March 25. Moderately paced walk starts at 9:45 a.m. at West Point Loma and Bacon, includes homes, gardens, ocean. Free. 619-231-7463. (OCEAN BEACH)

Bizarre Trees, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll to the desert garden on Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m., starting from park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

Rediscover Old Escondido West during historic walking tour led by Escondido Citizens Ecology Committee, Saturday, March 26, 11 a.m., starting at southeast corner of Broadway and Grand Avenue. 760-743-8207. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Birding Basics, learn five simple techniques to identify birds at a glance when trail guide Winona Sollock presents one-hour class, Saturday, March 26, 1 p.m., Mission Trails Regional Park visitors' center (One Father Junipero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

Trekking the Refuges, view migratory waterfowl and wildflowers of Tijuana Slough National Wildlife Refuge during outing hosted by Chula Vista Nature Center, Saturday, March 26, 8:30 a.m. Free. Required reservations: 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

An Expert Birder from Audubon Society leads bird walk on easy trail winding along Tecolote Creek in Tecolote Canyon on Saturday, March 26. Outing starts at 9 a.m. at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. (CLAIREMONT)

The Trail Is Only Open During Guided Hikes, so head up Volcan Mountain with guide from San Dieguito River Park, Saturday, March 26, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learn about native plants, tracking techniques. Free. Required reservations, directions: 858-674-2275 x5. (JULIAN)

Beach Cleanup hosted by San Diego BayKeeper is at Coronado State Beach on Saturday, March 26, 9 a.m. Free. 619-758-7743. (CORONADO)

Oceanside Beach Cleanup, Saturday, March 26, 9 to 11 a.m., on south side of Oceanside Pier. 760-435-5807. (OCEANSIDE)

Observe Nature Restoring Itself in San Diego Audubon Society's Silverwood Sanctuary, which was burned extensively during 2003 wildfires. Guided walks offered at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Sundays by reservation (619-682-7200). The sanctuary is located at 13003 Wildcat Canyon Road (five miles from Ashwood-Mapleview turn). Free. (LAKE SIDE)

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cycles. Free. Start point: 858-484-3219. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Look for Lingering Wintering Species when Audubon Society birdwatchers head to Kit Carson Park on Wednesday, March 30, 8 to 11 a.m. Meet at El Arroyo picnic area in park; find Kit Carson Park at 3333 Bear Valley Parkway. Easy hiking; restrooms, water, and picnic tables available. 619-280-7710. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

Grunion Greeter Workshop, help researchers while experiencing grunion runs. Volunteers monitor San Diego beaches for spawning activity and collect basic information for about two hours during each run from April through early June. Volunteers pick nights and beaches to monitor.

Required "Grunion Greeter" workshop, Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 p.m., at Birch Aquarium-Museum (2300 Expedition Way). Necessary reservations: 619-733-0725. (LA JOLLA)

San Dieguito Lagoon Day is celebrated on Wednesday, April 30, at Del Mar Powerhouse Community Center (1658 Coast Boulevard). Mike Kelly will examine "Biological Invaders: Plants and Animals, the Latest Threat to the San Dieguito Lagoon River Valley." Free. 858-484-3219.

The talk follows annual children's poetry reading at 1 p.m. at Earth Song Bookstore (1440 Camino Del Mar; 858-755-4254). Free. (DEL MAR)

Escape to the Natural Beauty of Elfin Forest Recreational Reserve, with secluded native plant communities such as oak riparian, oak woodland, coastal sage scrub, and chaparral. The 750-acre open-space park features ten miles of trails, primitive picnic areas, mountain viewing points. The reserve is found on Harmony Grove Road near Elfin Forest, open daily from 8 a.m. until around one half-hour before sunset. 760-632-4212. (ELFIN FOREST)

DANCE

Take a Swing Break hosted by CafeSavoy Swing Productions on Thursday, March 24, at La Jolla YMCA Firehouse (7877 Herschel Avenue). Beginning/intermediate workshop at 7:30 p.m., dance from 9 p.m. to midnight. The Jive Cats Swing Group from University High performs at 10 p.m.; \$15 for workshop and dance, \$7 for dance. 858-395-6060. (LA JOLLA)

The All-Age Fairy Tale *Parting the Sea* is "about the Earth, borders, and the spirit of children," created and choreographed by Gina Angelique for Eveoke Dance Theatre. Performances continue through March 26 at Old Wonderbread Factory (147 14th Street). Shows begin at 8 p.m. Thursday through Saturday; 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$20 general; pay what you can on Sunday. 619-238-1153. (DOWNTOWN)

Foxtrot of the Tango Era high-lights beginner-friendly dance on Friday, March 25, in room 207 of Casa del Prado. Lesson at 7:30 p.m., followed by open dancing. All ages, singles, partners. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

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Calendar
LOCAL EVENTS

cha, on Friday and Saturday, March 25 and 26, 8 p.m. to mid-night, above Valley Tavern at Mis-sion Valley Resort Hotel (875 Hotel Circle South). Admission: \$8 (free before 8:30 p.m.). Introductory salsa lessons by Julia Maluta at 7:30 on Saturday. For those 18 and older. 619-596-9777. (MISSION VALLEY)

Bellydance Dinner Show fea-turing Ravynnah and Jessica, live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble, Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., at Greek Palace (8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). No cover. 858-573-0155. (KEARNY MESA)

Contradance to calling by Gra-ham Hempel, music by Lime in the Harp on Saturday, March 26, 8 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Beginner’s workshop at 7:30 p.m.; \$6. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

Wear Some Green and cele-brate St. Patrick’s Day (after the fact) with dance party on Satur-day, March 26, at Folk Dance Cen-ter (4569 30th Street). Irish dance class by Paul Wermuth from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m., followed by potluck, request dancing; \$6. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

English Country Dancing “to haunting baroque music” takes place every Sunday, 6 to 9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). Caller is Janet Arnold on March 27. Beginner’s instruction at 6 p.m.; \$6 per class; \$20 per month. 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

March Eveocation offered on Sunday, March 27, 7 p.m., at Eveoke Dance Theatre (644 Sev-enth Avenue). Program features “favorite Eveoke shorts, sneak pre-views of our concert works, and pieces from Eveoke’s emerging choreographers,” followed by dis-

ROAM-○-RAMA

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Strolling through the aptly named Valley of the Moon, you might think that a square-mile patch of Joshua Tree National Park has been magically trans-ported there — minus, of course, the famous Joshua trees. Ponderous outcrops of granitic rock, seamed with horizontal and vertical cracks, ring the valley.

Valley of the Moon lies just north of the Mexican border in the Jacumba Mountains, east of Jacumba. From downtown San Diego, drive east on Interstate 8 for 70 miles and exit at In-Ko-Pah Park Road (this is along the San Diego/Imperial County line, and just short of where the eastbound I-8 lanes take a precipitous plunge toward the desert floor). Turn right at the stop sign and con-tinue southwest 0.2 mile on a frontage road to a dirt road on the left. Using a high-clearance vehicle, you should be able to drive all the way to Valley of the Moon, about 3 miles, negotiat-ing bumps and ruts most of the way. There’s a large turnout 0.8 mile up the road for those unwill-ing to tackle the rougher sec-tions farther on. Those with low-slung passenger cars should hoof it all the way up the dirt road. Another option is to use a mountain bike the entire distance.



Border marker south of Blue Angels Peak

Whether by car, by foot, or by bike, your route takes you generally southeast over rocky hill and dale. Spur roads diverge left and then right. The first road branching left leads to Smuggler’s Cave, once a haven of bandits and smugglers, and more recently the target of graf-iti artists. The spur road on the right leads toward a prominent, stony peak labeled Blue Angels on topographic maps, and bor-der marker #231, part of the

string of 258 international boundary markers along the Mexican border between the Pacific Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico.

Eventually, by staying on the main road, you’ll travel southeast to the base of a peaklet dubbed Tahe (which contains an abandoned amethyst mine) and veer east into Valley of the Moon. The valley’s sandy floor is dotted with spiky clumps of Mojave yucca, spiny catclaw bushes, clumps of Mormon tea (used by

early pioneers to brew a potent beverage), and buck-wheat bushes. Old jeep roads meander amid the

The Valley of the Moon area is open to camping and lies within the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land

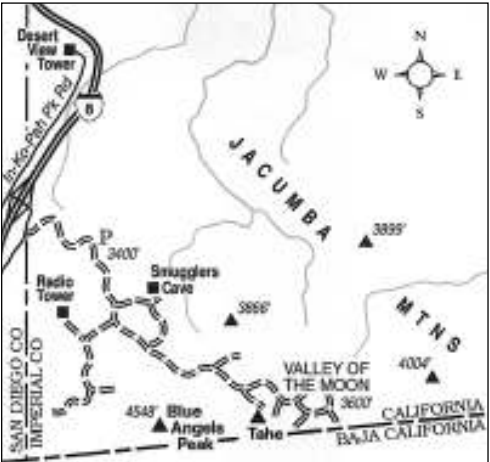
VALLEY OF THE MOON

Ramble amid giant boulders and high-desert vegetation at Valley of the Moon in the Jacumba Mountains.

Distance from downtown San Diego: 70 miles
Hiking/biking length: Up to 6 miles round-trip; more for side trips
Biking difficulty: Moderately strenuous

statuesque boulder heaps on the valley’s south side. Photographers should be here early or late in the day, when the sun bathes the stone battlements in warm light and crisp shadows march across the valley.

Management, El Centro Resource Area (phone 760-337-4400). Be aware that March is the windiest month in the high desert, and wind gusts can carry away any tent not securely staked to the ground.



cussion about the work; \$25. 619-238-1153. (DOWNTOWN)

Bellydancers Shalimar, Thalia, Wendy, and Mariela perform to live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble on Sunday, March 27, 7 p.m., at Turquoise Cafe Bar Europa (873

Turquoise Street). Cover: \$10. 858-488-4200. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Scandinavian Dance Party planned Wednesday, March 30, 7:30 p.m., at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street, suite A). Bring treats to share, dancing shoes; \$7. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

“Ten in Ten: East Meets West Performance Festival” runs April 1-10. See bkSoul, Heidi Latsky, Meg Wolfe, April 1-3. Pro-gram boasts Karl Anderson, Keith Hennessy, Motion Lab: Kathleen Hermesdorf, Albert Mathais, Kate Weare, April 8-10.

Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, 7 p.m. on Sundays, at St. Cecilia’s Play-house (1620 Sixth Avenue); \$20 general. 619-235-8466. (HILLCREST)
“Three-on-the-Floor” regional dance company — with participation by LEVYdance and Santa Barbara

Dance Theater — perform for festival on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9, at 7 and 9 p.m., in Dance Studio The-atre (ENS-200) at San Diego State University. 858-484-7791. (SDSU)

Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company performs new and classic works on Tuesday, April 12, 8 p.m., in UCSD’s Man-deville Auditorium. Tour includes *The Phantom Project: Still/Here Looking On*, *Blue Mountain (A Fic-tion)*, *Floating the Tongue*, *Hand Dance*, and more; \$36 general. 858-534-8497. (LA JOLLA)

FILM

“Last Name First,” sibling surfers have long inspired history of surfing, from great Hawaiian legends Michael and Derek Ho to today’s prodigy hotshots the Irons, Lopez, and Hobgood brothers. Filmed all over the world, *Last Name First* ponders “what kindles the fire beneath each renowned duo.” Flick screens Thursday, March 24, 7 and 9 p.m., at La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101); \$8 general. 760-436-7469. (ENCINITAS)

The 29th Annual Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour may be seen at San Diego Natural History Museum on Friday and Saturday, March 25 and 26, 7 to 10 p.m. Fea-tured films include *The Collective*, *Tom Cream: Antarctica’s Forgotten Hero*, *Sinners*, *A Russian Wave*, *Out of Ophirica*, *Soul Purpose*, *Alone Across Australia*, many oth-ers. Tickets: \$10 in advance, \$12 at door. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

The Documentary Film *Between the Hammer and the Anvil* screens for Activist San Diego on Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., at Korova Coffee Bar (4496 Park Boulevard). The film assesses damage inflicted on Peruvian society by 15 years of vi-olent insurgency war. Discussion follows. Donation: \$3-\$5. 619-528-8383. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

“Buongiorno Notte” by Marco Bellocchio screens on Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., at Italian Com-munity Center (1669 Columbia Street); \$2. 619-237-0601. In Ital-ian. (LITTLE ITALY)

The Independent Short Film *Out of Hemet* was produced by three CSU San Marcos students with all San Diego talent. Film screens on Saturday, March 26, 8 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Tickets: \$8 in advance, \$10 at door. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

“Pro” takes viewers on ride into “ultra-elite world of the superstars of professional bike racing.” See Jamie Paolinetti’s film on Satur-day, March 26, 4 p.m., at La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101). 760-436-7469. (ENCINITAS)

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"What the *?@! Do We Know?" This "brain-teasing cosmic romp" examining "Big Questions and Big Answers" with Marlee Matlin screens for Film Forum on Monday, March 28, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

The Jewish-Arab Conflict is described through life of conductor Daniel Oren in an adaptation of *La Bohème* entitled *My Yiddish Mama's Dream*, screening for San Diego Jewish Music Festival on Monday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive); \$8 general. 858-362-1348. In Hebrew with English subtitles. (LA JOLLA)

The Adventures of Indiana Jones are on offer during ongoing Carlsbad Library film series. Enjoy *The Last Crusade* on Wednesday, March 30, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

"Oggun: An Eternal Presence" screens Wednesday, March 30, 6 p.m., at Malcolm X Library (5148 Market Street). Afro-Cuban filmmaker Gloria Rolando relates mythical story of Oggun, the tireless warrior god of war and peace, metals, and civilization, as experienced in the life of Lazaro Ros, the prominent Cuban Yoruba singer and founding member of Cuba's famed Conjunto Folklórico Nacional. Free. 619-527-3405. (ENCANTO)

"Wednesday Night at the Movies," film festival showcasing independent and foreign films concludes with Italian comedy *Ginger & Cinnamon* on March 30, 7 p.m., at Chula Vista Civic Center



Out of Hemet at Museum of Contemporary Art, March 26 (see Film)

Library (365 F Street). Free. 619-691-5069. In Italian with English subtitles. (CHULA VISTA)

See Syria: Between Iraq and a Hard Place when the film, produced by Saul Landau, screens Thursday, March 31, at 7 p.m., at Four Points Sheraton Hotel (8110 Aero Drive). Donations accepted. 858-277-8888. (MISSION VILLAGE)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Rhythms of the World, Mystery of the Nile, Roar: Lions of the Kalahari*. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

The Life and Work of the Brontë Sisters explored when author Karen Kenyon speaks on Thursday, March 24, 3:30 p.m., at Rancho Santa Fe Library (17040 Avenida de Acacias). Kenyon is author of *The Brontë Family: Passionate Literary Geniuses*. Free. 858-756-2512. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

"The Cherimoya — Fruit of the Incas" highlighted when Nino Cupaiuolo speaks for California Rare Fruit Growers on Thursday, March 24, 7 p.m., in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free. 619-866-0575. Cherimoya samples offered. (BALBOA PARK)

"Astrology and Jungian Psychology" explored by Keith Burke for Cadent Cross Institute on Saturday, March 26, 1 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Free. 619-299-2897. (HILLCREST)

Hands-On GPS Class explaining functions and features of these devices, Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at REI Encinitas (1590 Leucadia Boulevard); \$55 non-members. Registration: 760-944-9020. (ENCINITAS)

"Draining the Ocean Basins" — what topography would be revealed if all of Earth's oceans were drained? Learn about plate tectonics, topography of ocean floor, more when David Sandwell of Institute for Geophysics and Planetary Physics speaks at 1 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, at Reuben H. Fleet Sci-

ence Center. Lecture included in regular admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Verdi's Simon Boccanegra discussed in a multimedia presentation by musicologist Ron Shaheen, Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m., in Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-434-2904. (LA COSTA)

"Your Mother's Side," librarian and genealogist Stephanie Weiner plans presentation on problems inherent in genealogical research of female ancestors, Saturday, March 26, 1 p.m., at Lakeside Library (9839 Vine Street). Free. 619-443-1811. (LAKESIDE)

How the Human Brain Arrives at a Belief is subject for research at UCLA by Sam Harris. He'll speak for Secular Forum on Sunday, March 27, 2 p.m., at Philosophical Library (507 South Escondido Boulevard). Followed by open discussion. Harris is author of *The End of Faith: Religion, Terror, and the Future of Reason*. Free. 760-745-2724. (ESCONDIDO)

"Human Impact on the Environment" is subject when UCSD molecular biology professor Milton Saier speaks on Sunday, March 27, 7 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Are we headed for a massive human population crash? Donation. 619-421-5844. (HILLCREST)

"Perception: Taste, Smell, and Vision" is subject when UCSD biology professor Charles Zuker discusses what is known about how sensory systems function for "Grey Matters" lecture series on Monday, March 28, 5:30 p.m., in Frederic de Hoffman Auditorium at Salk Institute



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(10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Free. 858-534-5635. (LA JOLLA)

"Wildlife After the October 2003 Wildfires" is subject when biologists who have studied raptors and mammals before and after the 2003 fires speak on Monday, March 28, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Learn how predators and prey responded, impacts of fire, more. Free. 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

Alternatives to the Pledge of Allegiance in schools discussed by a parent of Poway school district when Atheist Coalition of San Diego gathers on Tuesday, March 29, 7 p.m., at North Park Recreation Center (4044 Idaho Street). Free. 619-342-7388. (NORTH PARK)

"Triple Play," exhibition of work by Mary Fleener, Diana Duval, Marisol Rendón is on view through Thursday, April 7, in Southwestern College Art Gallery (900 Otay Lakes Road). Painter Diana Duval participates in panel discussion about her work on Tuesday, March 29, 11 a.m. Free. 619-421-6700 x5895 or x5635. (CHULA VISTA)

"Strategies of Note: Finding Music on the Web" computer training course offered Tuesday, March 29, 2 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Participants learn to search library catalog for sheet music and CDs for individual songs, other musical works. Free. Required reservations: 619-238-6621. (DOWNTOWN)

Poetry | ON AN INFANT DYING AS SOON AS BORN

I saw where in the shroud did lurk
A curious frame of Nature's work;
A floweret crush'd in the bud,
A nameless piece of Babyhood,
Was in her cradle-coffin lying;
Extinct, with scarce the sense of dying:
So soon to exchange the imprisoning womb
For darker closets of the tomb!
She did but ope an eye, and put
A clear beam forth, then straight up shut
For the long dark: ne'er more to see
Through glasses of mortality.

Riddle of destiny, who can show
What thy short visit meant, or know
What thy errand here below?
Shall we say that Nature blind
Check'd her hand, and changed her mind,
Just when she had exactly wrought
A finish'd pattern without fault?
Could she flag, or could she tire,
Or lack'd she the Promethean fire
(With her nine moons' long workings sicken'd)
That should thy little limbs have quicken'd?
Limbs so firm, they seem'd to assure
Life of health, and days mature:
Woman's self in miniature!

Limbs so fair, they might supply
(Themselves now but cold imagery)
The sculptor to make Beauty by.
Or did the stern-eyed Fate descry
That babe or mother, one must die;
So in mercy left the stock
And cut the branch; to save the shock
Of young years widow'd, and the pain
When single state comes back again
To the lone man who, reft of wife,
Thenceforward drags a maimed life?
The economy of Heaven is dark,
And wisest clerks have miss'd the mark,
Why human buds, like this, should fall,
Why human buds, like this, should fall,
More brief than fly ephemeral
That has his day; while shrivell'd crones
Stiffen with age to stocks and stones;
And crabbed use the conscience sears
In sinners of an hundred years.

Mother's prattle, mother's kiss,
Baby fond, thou ne'er wilt miss:
Rites, which custom does impose,
Silver bells, and baby clothes;
Coral redder than those lips
Which pale death did late eclipse;
Music framed for infants' glee,



Charles Lamb

Whistle never tuned for thee;
Though thou want'st not, thou shalt have
them,
Loving hearts were they which gave them.
Let not one be missing; nurse,
See them laid upon the hearse
Of infant slain by doom perverse.
Why should kings and nobles have
Pictured trophies to their grave,
And we, churls, to thee deny
Thy pretty toys with thee to lie –
A more harmless vanity?

– Charles Lamb (1775–1834)

"The Demographic Transition and Overpopulation" is pondered on Wednesday, March 30, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

"Writing About Your Artwork" — learn to write an artist's statement, biography, résumé, and press release during ongoing Professional Artist Lecture Series 2005 talk hosted by San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439

El Prado) on Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 p.m. 619-236-0011; \$8. (BALBOA PARK)

Investigative Journalist Lowell Bergman speaks for Revelle Forum, Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Bergman's work has influenced legislation and court cases; he'll discuss politics, big business, role of contemporary journalism, his latest *Frontline* documentary, "Euro-

pean Terrorism: al-Qaeda's Second Front"; \$35. Suggested reservations: 858-534-3400. (LA JOLLA)

Internet Resource Genealogy Class presented Wednesday, March 30, 6 p.m., at San Diego Family History Center (4195 Camino del Rio South). Free; register by calling 619-584-7668. (MISSION VALLEY)

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The San Diego Home Gardening Seminar, offered yearly by San Diego Master Gardeners, is Saturday, April 2, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Marina Village Conference Center (1945 Quivira Way).

New and experienced gardeners beckoned to select from among 40 classes on many facets of gardening, among them: "A Love Affair With Lavender," "Uncommon Flowering Trees for San Diego," "Daylilies from Manchuria to San Diego," "Bulbs to Southern California."

Reservations, fees: 858-694-2860. (MISSION BAY)

"Keeping E-Mail Organized"

is subject for demonstration class by Nate Caplan on Wednesday, April 13, 1 p.m., at James Edgar and Jean Jessop Hervey Library (Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire Street). Learn how to deal with junk mail, setting up address book, send attachments. Free. Reservations: 619-531-1539. (POINT LOMA)

IN PERSON

Comic Genius George Carlin performs Thursday, March 24, 7:30 p.m., at Pala Casino (found 15 miles north of Escondido, 5 miles east of I-15 on Highway 76). For those 21 and older. Tickets: \$55-\$75, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (PALA)

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day 2005

when Noel V. Ginnity and Dublin's Irish Cabaret take stage on Thursday, March 24, 7:30 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Program showcases Irish songs sung by Emer Hartnett, tenor Paul Hennessy; All-Ireland champion accordion player Ailbe Grace; uileann piper Tommy Keane; Dublin Irish Dancers. Tickets: \$17, \$22. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

"Superstar Poet" Reg E. Gaines performs for "A Night of Heavyweights" hosted by San Diego Poetry Slam, Friday, March 25, 9 p.m., at Voz Alta (1544 Broadway). Featured locals include Vejia Jennings, Sunflower Dubois, Salim Sivaad; \$7. 619-230-1869. (EAST VILLAGE)

The Kruger Brothers perform in concert on Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., at Acoustic Expressions (2852 University Avenue). Tickets: \$18 in advance, \$20 at door.

The bluegrass concert is followed by workshops for guitar, banjo, bass, group dynamics on Saturday, March 26, noon, at same spot; \$40. Reservations: 619-280-9035. (NORTH PARK)

Speak Easy, a "very open mike" session featuring avant-garde jazz ensemble Trio Mahgreb is Friday, March 25, 8 p.m., at Kung Food (2949 Fifth Avenue). Free. 619-298-7302. (BANKERS HILL)

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Greek Drama Theatre presented by "Class Act" Mission Es-tancia Elementary students on Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Students will share vignettes from Greek classics, show theatrical masks. Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

"Hollywood Hypnotist" Kevin Stone performs Friday, March 25, 8 p.m., at 4th & B (345 B Street). Tickets: \$10. 619-231-4343. (DOWNTOWN)

Performers' Referral Network presents open-mike showcase, Friday, March 25, 9 p.m., at Egyptian Tea Room (4644 College Avenue). 619-265-7287. Free. All ages, styles welcome. (SDSU)

Music Industry Icon George Fullerton is joined by Will Ray of Hellcasters in appearance on Saturday, March 26, 5 p.m., at Buffalo Brothers music shop (4901 El Camino Real). Fullerton was long-time friend and associate of late Leo Fender, founder and creative genius behind the Fender Musical Instrument Company. Free. Requested reservations: 760-434-4567. (CARLSBAD)

Does S.D. Boast an "Unobvious Bohemian Personality"? Find out when Laren Stover reads and signs her *Bohemian Manifesto: A Field Guide to Living on the Edge*, Saturday, March 26, 3 p.m., at Barnes and Noble in Grossmont Center (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

Personal Finance Expert Suze Orman signs *The Money Book for the Young, Fabulous, and Broke*, Saturday, March 26, 2 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347). Free. (LA JOLLA)

Busy at 2 p.m.? Orman also signs books and answers questions on the 26th at 6 p.m. at Apple Store in Fashion Valley (7007 Friars Road). Free. 619-682-3477. (FASHION VALLEY)

"Holy *!?!# That's Funny," live stand-up comedy slated for Saturday, March 26, 8 p.m., at 4th & B (345 B Street). Tickets: \$10. 619-231-4343. (DOWNTOWN)

Sunset Poets host reading by featured poet Marie Jordan on Saturday, March 27, 3 p.m., at Flying Bridge Restaurant (1105 North Coast Highway). Open mike follows. Free. 760-758-2410. (OCEANSIDE)

After-Easter Comedy Grill features stand-up comics Aaron Rockwell, Travis Taylor, Steven Kendrick, Louis Ferrara, MC Mitch Feingold, on Monday, March 28, 8 p.m., at Rosie and Joe's Grill and Cantina (7986 Armour Street). No cover. 858-550-8088. (KEARNY MESA)

San Diego Poetry Slam takes place on Monday, March 28, at Voz Alta (1544 Broadway). Slam, watch, or heckle the judges. Signups at 8 p.m., slamming at 8:30 p.m.; \$5 fee for competitors, \$2 requested donation for spectators. 619-230-1869. (EAST VILLAGE)

"Dear Senator: A Memoir by the Daughter of Strom Thurmond" is discussed and signed by author Essie Mae Washington-Williams on Tuesday, March 29, 7 p.m., at Good Samaritan Episcopal Church



Parting the Sea at Old Wonderbread Bakery, through March 26 (see Dance)

(4321 Eastgate Mall). Free. 858-458-1501. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Comedian Lord Carrett performs Tuesday, March 29, 10 p.m., at Longshot Saloon (843 Grand Avenue). Also on bill: Kurt Weitzmann; \$5. 760-744-8576. (SAN MARCOS)

Prize-Winning Poet Johnnie-Renee Nia Nelson reads from *Values of the African American Family* on Tuesday, March 29, 7 p.m., at Mission Hills Library (925 West Washington). Booksigning follows. 619-692-4910. Free. (MISSION HILLS)

Author Lori Mitchell, who's appeared on *Oprah Winfrey Show*, discusses her book *Different Just Like Me*, Tuesday, March 29, 6:30 p.m., at Pine Valley Library (28804 Old Highway 80). Free. 619-473-8022. (PINE VALLEY)

Techno-Medical Thriller author Vladimir Lange signs *Fatal Memories*, Wednesday, March 30, 7:30 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway; 858-684-3166). Free. (MIRA MESA)

The Jerusalem Lyric Trio presents Hebrew, Yiddish, and Ladino works inspired by Jewish religious and cultural heritage for San Diego Jewish Music Festival on Thursday, March 31, 7:30 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive); \$19 general. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

"Hep C Aware," fundraiser on Thursday, March 31, 8 p.m., at Humphrey's Backstage Lounge (2241 Shelter Island Drive). Roster includes Simply Complex, Catherine Beeks, Lisa Sanders, Bridget Brigitte, Josie's Ghost, Kelly's Lot; \$5. For those over 21. 619-224-3577. (SHELTER ISLAND)

Writer, Professor, Chickasaw Tribe Member Linda Hogan talks about and reads from her works on Friday, April 1, 7:30 p.m., in MiraCosta College Theatre (One Barnard Drive). A Luiseno elder opens evening with blessing; \$10 general. 760-795-6613. (OCEANSIDE)

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Lou Rawls Sings Sinatra on Friday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East Main Street). Three-time Grammy Award winner Rawls pays tribute to "the chairman of the board" with a variety of Sinatra tunes. Tickets: \$42, \$52, \$100. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

SPORTS

Palms Classic Horse Show, with competition in variety of classes, March 24-26, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Competition begins at 7 a.m. each day, continuing until 5 p.m. on Thursday, 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday. 949-496-4064. (DEL MAR)

San Diego Gulls host Long Beach Ice Dogs for hockey on Fri-

day, March 25, 7:05 p.m.; and Gwinnett Gladiators on Sunday, March 27, 5:05 p.m., at San Diego Sports Arena. Tickets: \$12 to \$25, available by calling 619-224-4625 x7. (SPORTS ARENA)

Family Tennis Day is Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Escondido Athletic Club (130 East Lincoln Avenue). Players of all ability levels and ages invited to enjoy tennis, games, food. Loaner racquets available. Free. 760-809-8437 or 760-580-1690. (ESCONDIDO)

Bicycle to Olympic Training Center with Knickerbiker bicyclists on Saturday, March 26. The 35-mile for intermediates begins at 9 a.m. at Pepper Park (I-5 to Bay Marina Parkway, west to Tidelands, south to park). Bring money for lunch at Zorba's Greek Restaurant. Moderate pace, "no really steep hills." 619-426-2043. (NATIONAL CITY)

Billabong Surfrat Series surf competition, Saturday, March 26, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at south jetty at Oceanside Harbor. Free for spectators. 760-435-5041. (OCEANSIDE)

Ride of Silence, this silent bike ride commemorating "those who had been injured or killed while cycling" is Saturday, March 26, starting at 8:30 a.m. in east parking lot of Bahia Hotel. The 7.7-mile round-trip ride on West Mission Bay boardwalk begins with prayer, includes brief message and explanation of ride at midpoint, return in silence by same route. All ages, experience levels. 619-501-4567. Sponsored by Rock Church Mountain Bike Ministry. (MISSION BAY)

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Fiesta Del Mar Arabian Show, Thursday through Sunday, March 31-April 3, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Competition: 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. 760-751-0902. (DEL MAR)

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ConDor XII takes place Friday through Sunday, March 25-27, at Marriott Mission Valley (8757 Rio San Diego Drive). Science fiction convention includes guests John Varley, Armin Shimerman, many others; gaming, masquerade (Saturday night, 8 p.m.), writer's workshop, "eclectic mix of programming," dealer's room. Admission: \$50 general, \$25 for teens, free for those 12 and under. 858-278-2228. (MISSION VALLEY)

DNA Day at the Fleet, Saturday, March 26, noon to 3 p.m., at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Scientists and staff from Salk Institute examine tools and techniques used in modern biotechnology. Included in museum admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

Books to Good Homes, Lemon Grove Library hosts used book sale on Saturday, March 26, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The library is found at 8073 Broadway; 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

"Lighthouses of Point Loma" exhibit opens with celebration on Saturday, March 26, at Cabrillo National Monument. Horse-drawn wagon rides, living history, music by Jackstraws and Los Californios, 19th-Century children's games, Junior Ranger activity for kids, panel discussion on making the exhibit, tours of Old Point Loma lighthouse. Fee: \$5 per vehicle, \$3 for motorcycles, bicycles, walk-ins. 619-557-5450. (POINT LOMA)

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Country Club Classics Dog Show, Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Del Mar Fairgrounds. 619-532-5045. (DEL MAR)

Easter Bonnet Parade and Hat Contest is Saturday, March 26, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Park in the Park (at Eighth Avenue and J

Street, Petco Park). Hatmaking workshops for adults and children; followed by parade, Easter egg hunt (for those 2-12). Fee: \$6 children, \$12 adults. Registration and details: 619-233-5008. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

Hui o Hawaii Spring Luau, Saturday, March 26, 4 p.m., at La Mesa Community Center (4297 Memorial Avenue). Entertainment by Motu Nehenehe Dancers, music by Hui o Hawaii of San Diego Serenaders. Tickets: \$25 in advance, \$30 at door. 858-278-7099 or 619-460-4517. (LA MESA)

House of Iran presents songs and dances for lawn program at International Cottages, Sunday, March 27, 2 p.m. Persian foods for sale. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

Japanese Green Teas enjoyed, along with slide show of Japan's

major tea-producing regions, when Infusions of Tea (8750 Genesee Avenue, suite 258) Tasting Club meets on Sunday, March 27, 4 p.m. Fee for "guided tea tasting": \$5. 858-450-6500. (GOLDEN TRIANGLE)

Behind-the-Scenes Tour offered Monday, March 28, 1:30 p.m., at Mission San Luis Rey (4050 Mission Avenue). Tour includes buildings, grounds, discussion of history of California mission system; \$6. 760-757-3651 x115. (OCEANSIDE)

Discover the Magic of Opera during San Diego Opera backstage tour of *Simon Boccanegra* on Tuesday, March 29 (5:30 p.m.), and Sunday, April 3 (12:30 p.m.), at San Diego Civic Theatre (202 C Street). Participants see scenery, costumes, backstage crew at work.

Free. Required reservations: 619-232-7636. (DOWNTOWN)

Celebrate the Persian New Year, Nowruz, when Tower After Hours series continues at San Diego Museum of Man on Thursday, March 31, 6 p.m. Entertainment by Darvak Ensemble, Iranian School of San Diego Persian Cultural Dance Academy; Iranian music and food; \$20 fee includes food and drink. Reservations: 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

Pioneering Photographers J. Grant Brittain and Aaron Chang will talk about "innovating, learning, board sports, and more," Thursday, March 31, 6:30 p.m., at Zelman/Foley Studios (2308-C Kettner Boulevard); \$15 general. 619-417-2150. (LITTLE ITALY)

The (Easter) Lilies Are in Bloom Again, over 300 fragrant Easter lilies are on exhibit in the Botanical Building through Wednesday, April 13, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Friday through Wednesday). Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

"The Disasters and Miseries of War" — Prints by Francisco Goya and Jacques Callot" are on view through Saturday, May 28, in Fine Arts Galleries of Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Exhibit includes 80 etchings and aquatints by Goya, 18 etchings by Callot. Free. 619-260-4261. (LINDA VISTA)

Have Your Book and Eat It Too! The 2005 Edible Book and High/Low Tea is Sunday, April 3, 2 p.m., in Seuss Room of Geisel Library at UCSD. Members of San Diego Book Arts and other artists exhibit their artist-crafted, book-themed, edible works of art; nonedible books on view as well. Public may view creations and their recipes. Tea and coffee served, books will be consumed. Reservations due by Friday, April 1. 858-534-2533. Free. (LA JOLLA)

ArtWalk 2005, celebrating visual and performing artists of San Diego and Tijuana, is Saturday and Sunday, April 23 and 24. Events are centered in Little Italy, noon to 6 p.m., radiating 18 blocks between Kettner Boulevard and India Street. Artists display their work, musical performances, children's activities. Courtesy shuttle takes visitors to ArtWalk North, at Ivy and India Streets. Free. 619-615-1090. (LITTLE ITALY)



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Easter Bunny Teas featuring springtime storytelling by Melody, Easter egg hunt, visit from Easter Bunny, afternoon tea, offered through Saturday, March 26, 2:30 p.m., at Westgate Hotel (1055 Second Avenue). Fee: \$28 for adults, \$22 for children under 12. Reservations: 619-557-3650. (DOWNTOWN)

Cackle Over a Chicken Coop Comedy when Puppet Express takes stage through Sunday, March 27, in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Comic ventriloquist Lynn Trimble presents *Dr. Lackowitz versus the Computer Virus*, March 30 through April 3.

Performances begin at 10 and 11:30 a.m. Wednesday through Friday, 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Theater located near Aerospace Museum. Admission: \$3 for children, \$4 seniors, \$5 general. 619-544-9203. (BALBOA PARK)

Easter Bunny Trains are running Saturday and Sunday, March 26 and 27, at Campo Depot (highway 94 at Forrest Gate Road). Trains — with Easter Bunny and Easter eggs for all kids — depart at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Tickets: \$15 for those 13 and over, \$5 for kids 6-12, free for kids 5 and younger. 619-465-7776. (CAMPO)

Kroc Center Carnival, Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m., at Salvation Army Kroc Community Center (6605 University Avenue). Arts and crafts, Easter egg hunt for those 1 through 12 years old (11 a.m.), potato sack races, egg on a spoon races. Free. 619-269-1540. (ROLANDO)

Easter Egg Hunts planned on Saturday, March 26, 9:30 a.m. to noon, at Carmel Valley Recreation Center (3777 Towngate Drive). Face painting, bubbles. Bring a basket. Free. 858-755-0075. (CARMEL VALLEY)

City of Oceanside's annual Easter egg hunt is Saturday, March 26, 10 a.m., for kids 3 to 11 years old, at Buddy Todd Park (at Mesa Drive and Parnassus Circle). Free. 760-435-5227. (OCEANSIDE)

"Grandpa Is a Giggle" is presented by local author and retired physician Ted Borgeas, with "outrageous characters and bedtime stories for kids of all ages," Wednesday, March 30, 6:30 p.m., at La Jolla Library (7555 Draper Avenue). Free. 858-552-1657. (LA JOLLA)

Every Child Plays is motto for United States Youth Volleyball League, accepting registration for spring leagues, early April to early June. Program runs Tuesdays and Thursday, 6 to 7 p.m.; first day is for practice, second day is for games. Focus is on teaching basic skills of volleyball to children be-

tween 8 and 14 years old. Registration: 888-988-7985. (OCEAN BEACH)

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 always been for lighter, faster, more maneuverable boards, from Duke Kahanamoku in early 1900s to Tom Blake in 1920s to Simon Anderson in early 1980s.

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

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Reading

Mad Mary Lamb: Lunacy and Murder in Literary London



Susan Tyler Hitchcock

W.W. Norton, 2005; 314 pages; \$24.95

FROM THE DUST JACKET: Mary Lamb — a dutiful daughter, well liked by just about everyone — killed her own mother with a knife. She spent the rest of her life in and out of madhouses, yet the crime and its aftermath opened up a life that no woman of her time or class could have expected. Free to read extensively, Lamb discovered her talent for writing. She and her brother, the essayist Charles Lamb, embarked on a literary collaboration that resulted in the famous *Tales from Shakespeare*. Confidante to many of

Britain's Romantics including Coleridge, Godwin, and Wordsworth, Mary Lamb stood at the vibrant center of a colorful literary circle. Through a deep reading of history, letters, and literature, Susan Tyler Hitchcock brings to life an intriguing portrait of Lamb and her world. This narrative of a nearly forgotten woman becomes a tapestry of insights into creativity and madness, the changing lives of women, and the redemptive power of the written word.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

Publishers Weekly: One afternoon in 1796, Mary Lamb, aged 31, killed her mother with a carving knife at the dinner table.... Despite eventual bestselling collaborations with her brother, essayist Charles Lamb, Mary left an erratic documentary trail, with only one significant personal essay, which Hitchcock sees as proto-feminist. Charles, her lifelong protector, remains the best source about his sister and their shared life. But his letters to such friends as Samuel Coleridge and Robert Southey show some reserve about the delicate subject of his sister's mental health.

Booklist: Mary Lamb and her younger brother, Charles...were immersed in both scandal and the elite literary circles of their times. In 1796, 31-year-old Mary Lamb stabbed her own mother to death in an apparent act of lunacy, according to the courts of the day. Rather than being

sentenced to death, Mary was sent to a madhouse. Although she was released six months later and eventually rejoined her brother, Mary was to have periodic relapses for the rest of her life, and her first trip to the madhouse was hardly the last.... Touching on the lunacy laws of the day, the plight of women, and the burgeoning children's publishing industry, Hitchcock vividly evokes the changing times the Lambs lived in. A vibrant literary biography.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Susan Tyler Hitchcock has written seven books. She has a Ph.D. in English and works as a freelance writer and editor. She lives outside of Charlottesville, Virginia.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:

Charles Lamb, Mary's brother, said, "What is reading, but silent conversation."

I began my talk with Ms.

Hitchcock by asking if, as a child, she read a great deal.

"Oh, yes," she said, "I was definitely an avid reader." She recalled that in her mind's eye, she could see her earliest favorite book. "It was called *The Magic Egg* or something like that. It was a Big Golden Book. I also am quite sure that I had a picture book of *Peter Pan* because I was totally obsessed with Peter Pan. I identified with Peter Pan. But of course it was Mary Martin as Peter Pan so that helped the gender leap. *Charlotte's Web*, I remember that. The Pooh books were very important to me. In high school, I loved Thomas Hardy; I loved Virginia Woolf. Loved *Wuthering Heights*. Jane Austen never quite thrilled me."

"When did you figure out that you wanted to be a writer?"

"Well, I've gone to one high school reunion only, and when I told people who remembered me in high school that I was a writer, they said, 'I'm not

surprised.' I wouldn't have said back then that's what I wanted to be. But I was already involved in a literary magazine, and I got permission from my English teachers to do unorthodox things for my papers."

"Like what?"

"I remember an 11th- or 12th-grade assignment on *Death of a Salesman*, the play by Arthur Miller. I wrote it in ball-point pen, in three different colors, each color representing a different aspect of Willy Loman's personality. I think this proved to my teacher, early on, that I knew the standard forms, and she was willing for me to explore. But the one high school assignment that was such an omen of where I was going to be now in my life was in a course in modern history. I got a copy of the journals and diaries of Napoleon. I didn't use any words of my own. I read through all of Napoleon's work and found passages that seemed important and telling. I typed

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"Because it was matricide and not murder or an unrelated person...the response has been more sympathetic."

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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 Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. Pet sharks and rays in the David A. Wergeland Shark and Ray Experience, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

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

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 mod-

ern 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 dy-

nasty (206 B.C. to A.D. 221), one of 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 Vic-

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

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

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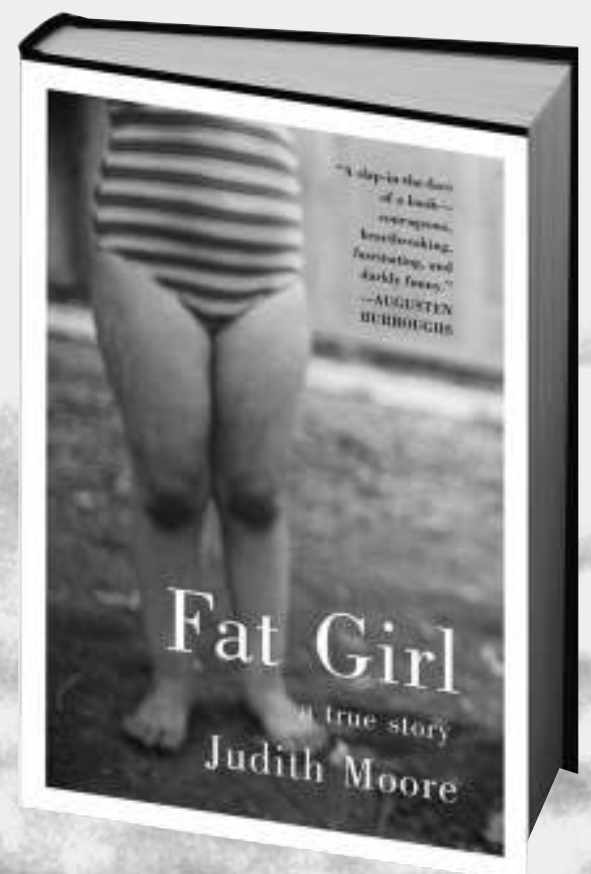
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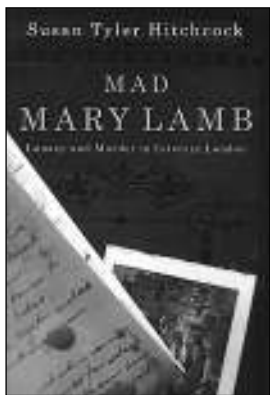
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those out, and then I cut them into different-sized sheets and organized them in a binder so that you read through and got a picture of Napoleon's life and conflicts and states of mind.

"After I did this book on Mary Lamb, I said, 'This is the same thing.' Because that's where I started with this book as well. I read the journals and letters and found the passages that told the story, and then I wove them together with my own narrative."

I wondered, I said, how Mary Lamb learned to write.

"I've thought about that, too, because she went to the grammar school and, of course,

was in a girl's class, not a boy's class. She would have learned how to form letters and use, I suppose, a quill pen."

Few of Mary's letters have survived. "I would say there are only about 30 letters that we know that she wrote," said Ms. Hitchcock. "It's very likely, except for an occasional perfunctory 'thank you' note, that more than a good majority of the letters that she wrote are quoted in my book, because there just aren't that many. One of the frustrations and challenges of writing the book was that Mary's killing her mother was a secret; Mary and Charles didn't refer to it much in letters. Mary really didn't write many letters. So to put this together was not unlike putting together a detective story."

"How," I asked, "did the Lamb family keep Mary from going to prison? Was it by calling her mad?"

"Well, because it was matricide and not murder of an unrelated person, the response traditionally has been, both before and since, more sympathetic. The understanding is that this is a psychological event more than a murder. I always paused when I called it a 'mur-

der' because there are so many layers of meaning to that word that don't necessarily fit what Mary did."

"The word 'matricide' seems so literary."

"I know. I discovered that an old friend of mine actually had done significant research into the legal history of parricide, 'parent murder.' His finding had been that there was an unspoken tradition of sympathy and leniency toward the perpetrator based on the fact that this was not something anyone would do out of hatred but rather from frustration or psychological imbalance. There are very few cases of matricide on the books, but Mary's case was like the cases that led up to the insanity plea, in the sense that the act was looked upon as something that couldn't have possibly been done in a rational state of mind."

"How did Charles feel about Mary's murder of their mother?"

"There's not a simple answer. His first concern was Mary, more than grief for his mother. He states early on that he feels guilty about that. My hunch is that the mother was a difficult person, perhaps manic-depressive, and that Charles rec-

ognized that much of their mother's difficult personality took its toll on Mary. He probably had watched that through his 21 years of life. So there was already a built-in sense of anger toward the mother and sympathy toward the sister. I tippytoe around all this because it's hard to talk about, justifying anyone's killing her own mother. But what little indication there is suggests that it was a very unhappy relationship in which Mary was really victimized.

"And," Ms. Hitchcock said, "to add to that difficult relationship with the mother, one cannot help but think of the difficulty for Mary of knowing that she was as smart as her two brothers and watching them go to good schools and move into the middle class and get jobs that took them out of the house and paid them money and gave them a future. She had none of these opportunities. There are many reasons for her to have been frustrated to the point of snapping."

I laughed, saying, "I imagined the mother complained to Mary about Mary's preparation of dinner one too many times."

Ms. Hitchcock did not disagree. She imitated the voice she

imagined as that of Mary's mother. " 'Why did you do this? Why didn't you do that?' " Returning to her own voice, Ms. Hitchcock said, "I think one of the reasons that this story fascinates us is that many of us remember that part of our mothers. If you take that part and blow it up to its extreme, you can identify."

"Or," I suggested, "that part of yourself, too."

Mary Lamb, before her mother's death, helped supplement the family income by taking in sewing, an occupation spoken of in Lamb's day as "mantua making." I asked Ms. Hitchcock about this.

" 'Mantua' comes from the French word monteau, meaning 'coat.' In Mary Lamb's time a mantua was a fashionable garment that was a cross between a vest and a dress, that covered another longer and fuller dress. A garment like that was the traditional mantua in the English fashion of the mid- to late 18th Century. By the time Mary Lamb herself was involved in the trade called 'mantua making,' mantua meant clothing in general.

"I was fascinated by the connotations of the term. I wasn't aware that it really did carry with

it a connotation of sexuality. It's hard for us even to imagine today, but there's one image that I found of two milliners looking over a man, taking his measurements, and it's ripe with sexuality. You get the point from just that picture alone. Also, there were entire plays and novels written about the loose behavior of the mantua makers. So Mary was moving into a difficult reputation by taking up that trade."

"She must have felt humiliated."

"Yes, I think that was a factor in the whole spirit of the household, that they had lived so happily and protected in the Inner Temple, really sort of a walled community. And her father became unable to do his work and then his patron died, and they were forced to move into this tiny apartment. The apartment was in the law district but outside the walls and amidst the rabble of London."

"And the family was scraping together a living."

"That's right. The father got a little bit of money. His sister who lived with them was older than either the father or the mother but was also hard to live with. She had some sort of fund or pension or endowment,

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 "100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the *Spitfire* and P-51

Mustang fighters; and a rare German Junkers *Jumo 004*, one of the world's first operational jet engines.

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

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

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

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

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)

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but it was minuscule. She paid her way, but that's all. Then there were the two sons bringing in a little money, but not much."

I found it interesting that after Mary knifed her mother, her family was not afraid of Mary. They didn't sense her as dangerous to them.

"They loved her," Ms. Hitchcock said. "They appreciated her and they honored her intellect. Really, the closest we get to hearing that someone might be frightened of her was a letter that Coleridge wrote to his wife after having witnessed one of Mary's oncoming manic episodes. But even his description is not one in which he fears for himself. It more has to do with Mary's awareness that she's losing control. She tells him, 'Here it comes again.' I think she had psychological sensitivity and control over herself and got to the point where she knew the signs and knew when it was time for her to return to the madhouse."

"One of your book's saddest points is your mention of Charles returning Mary to the madhouse and their carrying her

straitjacket with them. That is heartbreaking."

"That is sad. The possibility was always with them. It weighed heavier and heavier as years went on. My book looks at a period, 20 years, from the time of the murder of the mother in 1796 to Mary's last published work in 1815. From that point on, particularly, there was a sense of increasing length and gravity of her manic episodes and also increasing length and gravity of the depression that she suffered after those. I feel as if she fell silent in 1815, almost giving in to the mental imbalance, as if it's too much for her to be productive and to write. I suspect there were periods when she would still act as hostess and talk with Charles about what he was doing. I'm not sure I mention this in this book, but I've stepped back and realized that Charles's ascent and popularity as a writer was reaching its peak at the time that Mary fell silent in her writing.

"I've wondered whether there was a cause-effect relationship there. Could Mary let go now that Charles was doing so well and making money? That might be possible. Was there a symbiosis? As he got stronger, she got weaker? Or did it just

happen that way? I don't know. There's no way to tell for sure."

"I shouldn't have been shocked," I said, "but I was, by the conditions in mental institutions in Mary's day."

"They were horrible. Even though both private and government efforts began to be made during her life, there were still reports of people being kept three to a bed and made to vomit as part of a cure."

"Did King George III's madness have an effect on the treatment of the insane?"

"The king's being mad was one factor that led to looking more closely at what was happening in madhouses. Of course, the king never went into one. But everybody became more aware that madness might not simply be 'the devil inside' but an illness that needed to be treated."

Mary Lamb wrote to a friend about the mistreatment found in mental hospitals. Ms. Hitchcock quoted a phrase from that letter. "I know full well that all of the people in mental hospitals and in the madhouses simply need love and kindness and someone caring for them." Ms. Hitchcock went on to say, about Mary, "I think she saw mistreat-

ment, but I'm not as convinced as other people have been that she actually was herself mistreated. I'm sure that in some ways she was ignored or treated indifferently, but I don't get the sense that she ever was, for example, chained.

"There are a number of reasons to believe that Charles had connections in the world of mental-health treatment through the Quaker community. The Quakers were at the forefront of the more humane, compassionate treatment of mental patients. Charles and Mary may have gotten advice as to where to put her, and how to make sure she was treated, and perhaps even had personal connections to people who worked in these hospitals. I think that Charles was an informed consumer when he went looking for the places that he was going to put Mary."

"Charles missed Mary so deeply during the times she was hospitalized."

"Yes. For many years, Mary Lamb has been a footnote to the work of Charles Lamb. The implication, if not the outright statement, has been that Mary Lamb was Charles's crazy sister and he devoted his life to her, and if it weren't for her, he

would have been so much a greater writer. But I see there to be a close, mutually supportive relationship. She helped him write. She helped him stay sober. She helped him have a schedule, she fed him, she laundered his clothing. In the early days she managed the household, she greeted his friends, she kept his friends away when he was trying to write. He couldn't have done what he did without her."

"Charles certainly said that about his sister, that he was nothing without her."

"He did. So, to make it out that she was his albatross is unfair to both of them. Inaccurate as far as he's concerned and unfair to her."

"As I read Mary's work on the Shakespeare tales," I said, "I began to wonder how literate she was, how easily she read."

"That's a good question. She read a lot. She may not have been taught a very high level of reading. But what she was taught, she took it and ran with it. And even going back to the days when her father's employer was alive, that was her escape, to go to his library. And he did allow not only John and Charles but also Mary to borrow books from

his library, which I imagine was full of classics and great works of both English and classic literature. I suspect that there was some sharing that went on between Mary and Charles. But since Mary was ten years older than Charles, it was probably in the early days her reading to Charles."

Ms. Hitchcock covers much ground in this book. She offers a mini-history of children's literature, an account of madhouses of Mary's time, tales from the Wordsworth and Coleridge circles, a bit about George III, and even more about Napoleon.

"I found each of those diversions fascinating," she said. "I hope other people do. I know there are diversions or even digressions from the main story, but they all connect. I hope they all enrich. That's my goal. Another of my goals in this book is this: I would feel so good if one of the things that happened was that more people read Mary Lamb's wonderful Mrs. Leicester's School. The stories in this are so clear and lovely. I think they would be interesting even to someone who wasn't as fascinated by Mary Lamb as I am." ■

— Judith Moore

National City Santa Fe Depot (922 West 23rd Street), offers exhibits, video displays, trolley equipment, restored passenger car from National City and Otay Railroad. 619-474-4400. (NATIONAL CITY)

San Diego Model Railroad Museum, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. "Rail Town," an "O" gauge operating model train exhibit, is on display through August. 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)

San Diego Natural History Museum, developed by Field Museum in Chicago, "Chocolate" leads visitors on journey from rainforest understory to supermarket shelf, exploring our culture's links with natural world. Continues through Sunday, May 1.

"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."

"Fossil Hunters San Diego" shows how museum's paleontolo-

gists hunt for local fossils — what they look for, tools they use, how fossils are excavated and transported, how they're prepared and studied. Through 2005. Also on view: "Natural Treasures: Past and Present" (ongoing). Current "giant-screen films" include *Amazing Journeys*, *Ocean Oasis*. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

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

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

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish

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

Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing ma-

rine life of the Pacific Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. "Earthquake! Life on a Restless Planet" explores earthquakes and their impacts on life. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef

Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

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

Wells Fargo History Museum, the museum features a working agents' office staffed by guides in period costumes and contains a working tele-

graph 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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A Piano Recital is planned by Ines Irawati, winner of La Jolla Symphony and Chorus Young Artists' Competition, when Music at Founders Hall series continues on Friday, March 25, 7:30 p.m., at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito (1036 Solana Drive). Donation: \$10. 858-755-9225. (SOLANA BEACH)

Centro Hispanoamericano de Guitarra joins Baja California Orchestra in concert on Friday, March 25, 7 p.m., in Rosemary Lane Galleria of South Chula Vista

Library (389 Orange Avenue). Free. 619-585-5755. (CHULA VISTA)

Haydn's "Seven Last Words of Our Saviour on the Cross" — a version of piece for quartet of soloists with string quartet performed Friday, March 25, noon, Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Soloists: soprano Marj Osgood, alto Victoria Heins-Shaw, tenor Stephen Sturk, baritone Philip Larson. Sung in German. 619-237-3095. Offering. (MIDTOWN)

A Brave Leader's Quest to unite his people and reunite with his daughter is saga in Giuseppe Verdi's *Simon Boccanegra*, the next production for the San Diego Opera. Singers include Lado Ataneli, Anja Harteros, Arutjun Katchinian. Sung in Italian, with English supertitles projected above the stage. Conducted by Edoardo Müller, directed by Lofti Mansouri.

Performances at 7 p.m. on Saturday, March 26, Tuesday, March 29; 8 p.m. on Friday, April 1; 2 p.m. on Sunday, April 3. Tickets range from \$20 to \$160. See the opera at San Diego Civic Theatre, 202 C Street. Reservations: 619-533-7000. (DOWNTOWN)

Guest Organist Alison Luedecke is joined by Susan Barrett (oboe) for concert in Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Sunday, March 27, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

The CJS Quintet performs for mini-concert at noon on Monday, March 28, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Competition for Young Master Violinists hosted by California International Young Artists Competition gets underway with concert by current gold medalist

in piano Ching-Yun Hu on Tuesday, March 29, 7:30 p.m. (\$15).

Preliminary rounds of international violin competition set for Thursday and Friday, March 31 and April 1, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (free). Semi-finals run 3 to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 2 (free). Final competition is Sunday, April 3, 3 to 4:30 p.m. (\$15). All events take place at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

São Paulo Native Luciane Cardassi presents pieces by Morton Feldman, Elliott Carter, and Harvey Sollberger on Wednesday, March 30, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center; \$8 general. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Opera Arias performed every Wednesday, 7 to 9:30 p.m., at Alfieri Restaurant in Sheraton San Diego West (1590 Harbor Island Drive). No cover. 619-291-2900. (HARBOR ISLAND)

The Jerusalem Lyric Trio presents Hebrew, Yiddish, and Ladino works inspired by Jewish religious and cultural heritage for San Diego Jewish Music Festival on Thursday, March 31, 7:30 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive); \$19 general. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

The Oberlin Trio performs for Concert Hour series on Thursday, March 31, 12:30 p.m., in Palomar College Performance Lab (D-10). Find the campus at 1140 West Mission Road. Free. 760-744-1150 x2317. (SAN MARCOS)

"The Sorcerer's Apprentice" by Paul Dukas may be heard, along with "Concerto No. 2 for Horn and Orchestra in E-Flat Major" by Strauss, and Prokofiev's "Selections from *Cinderella Suite*" when San Diego Symphony, led by Michael Stern, performs Thursday, March 31, 8 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$29, \$39, \$49. Reservations: 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

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GALLERIES

"Eclectic Visions," work by members of the Photo Arts Group is on view through Sunday, April 17, at Village Gallery (7931 Ivanhoe Avenue). Meet artists during reception on Saturday, March 26, 5:30 p.m. 858-459-1196. (LA JOLLA)

"Borders of Intimacy: Patricia Frischer and Cheryl Tall" — with reception for artists on Thursday, March 31, 5 p.m. — features mixed-media paintings by Frischer and ceramic sculptures by Tall in San Diego Mesa College Art Gallery (D-104). Reception is followed by artists' slide-lecture at 7 p.m. in LRC room 435. Find campus at 7250 Mesa College Drive. 619-388-2829. Through Tuesday, April 26. (KEARNY MESA)

ART MUSEUMS

Mingei International Museum, "Origami Masterworks — Innovative Forms of the Art of Paper Folding" includes more than 150 pieces by 42 artists from across the globe. Most of the objects were created by folding single sheets of paper to make geometrical forms, flowers, trees, people, masks, and a menagerie of animals. Through Sunday, April 17. "Navajo Textiles, 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, through Sunday, April 17.

"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. Through summer.

"First Collections — Dolls and Toys of the World," continuing through Sunday, April 17, includes dolls and toys from around the

world, including France, England, Japan, India, Mexico, Russia, Italy, Turkey, Panama, U.S.A.

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. Continuing.

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, "Terry Winters Painting, Drawings, Prints 1994-2004," features 160 works organized into seven chronological sections, explores the way the artist creates sets and subsets of images interacting with previous and current works. Exhibition closes on Sunday, April 17.

"Cerca Series: John Sonsini" — on view through Tuesday, April 26 — features the artist's portraits of Mexican-American day laborers. Sonsini finds subjects at sites around Los Angeles where day laborers gather and pays laborers to sit for portraits. Sonsini worked on paintings every day during February, with resulting 28 canvases featured in this "Cerca" show.

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, a variety of works in media including sculpture, painting, and installation by established and emerging artists are gathered in "Collectors XX: Building a Museum Collection," closing on Sunday, May 15. The exhibited pieces (being considered for acquisition this year) are accompanied by major pieces purchased by Collector groups over the past 20 years.

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

Museum of Photographic Arts, photographer Ed Burtynsky has highlighted intersection between environment and technology for past 20 years. "Manufactured Landscapes: The Photographs of Edward Burtynsky" showcases his large-scale color photographs examining "the unorthodox beauty along with the ecological devastation of manufacturing sites." Closes Sunday, June 5.

"Andrea Modica: Treadwell/Fountain" continues through Sunday, May 22. "Treadwell" — with 22 platinum prints and 17 previously unexhibited images — is described as "a photographic journey that began in 1986 and concluded with the death of its principal subject." Modica's latest project is "Fountain," 41 prints exploring "the process of growing up in Fountain, Colorado."

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

Oceanside Museum of Art, "The Watercolors of James Hubbell: Meditations on Nature and Life" continues through Saturday, March 26. The 80 "vibrant paintings are spontaneous gestures that date from 1988 to 2004." Exhibit includes paintings that are "among the few works of art Hubbell was able to save from the Cedar fires" of 2003. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

San Diego Museum of Art, "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, November 6. "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 17.

"The Origins of Mughal Painting," opening Saturday, March 26, "examines one of the lingering mysteries in the history of Indian art: how such a distinctive and sophisticated style as that of the imperial Mughals arose so quickly." The new installation, showcasing 20 images from the Binney Collection, continues through Sunday, August 28.

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

Timken Museum of Art, permanent collection includes European masters, 19th-Century American paintings, and Russian icons. 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)

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Antony and Cleopatra

Richard Baird, who has become one of San Diego's foremost interpreters of Shakespeare, makes Mark Antony the opposite of a conventional romantic lead. Either dressed like Lawrence of Arabia, with shades, or in desert fatigues and kevlar "armor," Baird is, by turns, a braggart, a baby, a warring lover and loving warrior, a buffoon, and ultimately heroic. Baird's Antony is a fractured colossus, wanting to reassemble himself, just not yet. On opening night, Amy Meyer was beginning to explore Cleopatra's "infinite variety." More was needed (especially her mercurial mood swings, which felt calculated). Nick Kennedy's Octavius is a bully's younger brother, the kid

always chosen last. Built from envy, stifled desire, and an obsession with order, Kennedy serves up a Portrait of the Nazi as a Young Man. Under Kennedy's direction, however, parts of the production wane (uneven acting, strange cues, and an amateurish sound design that just gets in the way). The production also has imaginative touches, though. The party scenes rival the "lascivious wassails" of PB on a Saturday night.

Worth a try.

THE ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS, 4580-B ALVARADO CANYON ROAD (FOLLOW THE SIGNS), EAST MISSION VALLEY, THROUGH APRIL 9; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M.

A Day in Hollywood...A Night in the Ukraine

Vista's new Broadway Theater presents the musical(s) about Hollywood's heyday and a tribute to the Marx Brothers. BROADWAY THEATER, 340 EAST BROADWAY, SUITE B, VISTA, THROUGH MARCH 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 760-806-7905.

The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds

Paul Zindel's drama, about daughters raised by a bitter woman, gets a staging by the Poway Performing Arts Company. 13250 POWAY ROAD (UPSTAIRS AT THE LIVELY CENTER), POWAY, THROUGH MARCH 27; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT

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Adams Avenue Studio for the Arts presents Will Scheffer's collection of monologues about love, sexuality, and the gay male identity, "from coming out to Tennessee Williams' spirit to Jeffrey Dahmer's kitchen."

ADAMS AVENUE STUDIO FOR THE ARTS, 2804 ADAMS AVENUE (AT IDAHO), NORMAL HEIGHTS, THROUGH APRIL 5; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-584-3593.

Forever Plaid

Welk Resort Theatre stages the popular musical about an a cappella group with one last shot at the concert they never got to give. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH MARCH 27; THURSDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE THURSDAY AND SATURDAY AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448.

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Worth a try.

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Parting the Sea

Eveoke Dance Theatre presents an “all-age fairy tale about the earth, borders, and the spirit of children.” Gina Angelique created and choreographed the piece.

OLD WONDER BREAD FACTORY, 147 14TH STREET, EAST VILLAGE, THROUGH MARCH 26; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-238-1158.

Princess Marjorie

South Coast Repertory Theatre stages the world premiere of Noah Haidlle’s adult comedy about the shared memories of two brothers. David Chambers directed.

SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH MARCH 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 708-5555.

Private Fittings

A Feydeau bauble based on *seduction interruptus*. Eric, a “personal life coach” (he offers vague advice to people with vague problems), pretends to be a fashion designer who gives clients “private” fittings. Because the front door doesn’t lock, the play’s title becomes an oxymoron. It’s clear that Neil Simon learned his craft from the French farceur. *Private*

Fittings is also funnier than the La Jolla Playhouse production thinks. Director Des McAnuff and a frenzied cast pack every second of the show’s 75 minutes with business. Every move is urgent, every speech a blare. Everyone pushes for comedy, and when actors push, they can wear an audience down (not to mention actors’ voices). Feydeau wanted to show his audiences their foibles. Mark O’Donnell’s translation is so jammed with local references, so La Jolla-centric, that anyone east of I-5, north of the Merge, or south of I-8 must feel excluded. And since performances are more cartoon than characters — driven by the needs of a comedic bit, not comedy of manners — audience members may recognize their neighbors’ foibles but not their own.

LA JOLLA PLAYHOUSE, SHEILA AND HUGHES POTIKER THEATRE, 2910 LA JOLLA VILLAGE DRIVE, THROUGH MARCH 27; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-550-1010.

Reverse Psychology

Diversionary Theatre, in association with Vantage Theatre, presents Charles Ludlam’s madcap comedy about two psychiatrists, each having an affair with the other’s patient. Robert Salerno directed.

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Route 66

Ramona Mainstage Theatre and Music and Theatre Artists of San Diego present a musical tribute to the “Main Street of America.” Brian Wells and David Brannen directed and choreographed.

RAMONA MAINSTAGE THEATRE, 626 MAIN STREET, RAMONA, THROUGH MARCH 27; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 760-789-7008.

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Talking With

Actors Alliance of San Diego presents a reading of Jane Martin’s extraordinary collection of monologues by women who embrace the traits that marginalize them. David Ellenstein directed.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE,

LOMAS SANTA FE PLAZA, SOLANA BEACH, MONDAY, MARCH 28, AT 7:00 P.M. 619-640-3900.

A Thousand Clowns

Scenic design wiz Marty Burnett somehow managed to time-travel a wood-paneled Manhattan studio apartment into the North Coast Rep (the mismatched chairs speaking volumes about the inhabitants). Costume designer Shelly Williams decks out everyone in precise 1962 finery (button-down collars, madras shirts, and the black high-top Converse All-Stars worn by the Boston Celtics). The look for Herb Gardner’s libertarian comedy’s firmly in place. But, more often than not, the performances aren’t. When Jason Robards Jr. played Murray Burns, onstage and in the movie, beneath all his banter was a gravitas, a sense that the world (and maybe Murray) was not right and that humor helped him keep sane. The North Coast Rep production, by contrast, settles for a sitcom approach that never leaves the surface. As a result, Randy Howell’s way-too-chipper Murray, rather than an intrepid naysayer, is just an overgrown kid with the Peter Pan syndrome. The villains, especially the “child welfare crowd,” are no real threat. Director Ralph Elias turns in a fine performance as Murray’s establishment brother Arnold, but the rest of the cast could make the lengthy comedy more interesting and a lot funnier if more were at stake.

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH APRIL 3; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY (AND SOME SATURDAYS) AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055 OR 888-776-NCRT.

Vigil

The Fritz Theatre opened its 15th season with Morris Panych’s eerie comedy. Kemp’s so negative to call

him a nihilist would be too life-affirming. An urgent letter brings him to his dying aunt’s side. Only Grace doesn’t die. Color returns to her cheeks, a smile to her face. She improves so much, in fact, that Kemp’s afraid she *won’t* die. They spend many a season together (which allows him to comment on the evils of various holidays), and bond, sort of. Ron Choularton played Kemp a few years back. His reprise in the role is excellent, deadpan, bitter — a scathing critique of just about everything. Pat DiMeo keeps the almost mute Grace vital, and keeps her secret as well. Like improvisational comedy, *Vigil* thrives on quick takes and black-outs. The opening-night performance sometimes lagged, owing to slow cues and fussy stage business (a seemingly constant folding and unfolding of things). But Choularton’s the magnet here. Black bowler hat, black overcoat — Godot’s undertaker? — he’s a black hole on a blue day. And funny as all get out. (Note: due to popular demand, 6th@Penn has extended the run of *Vigil*.)

Worth a try.

6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, THROUGH MARCH 31; MONDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-233-7505.

The Waverly Gallery

New Village Arts stages Kenneth Lonergan’s comedy-drama about 85-year-old Gladys Green, a Manhattan art dealer as feisty as she is hard of hearing. Kristianne Kurner directed.

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When U2 plays the Sports Arena on March 28, the venue will have a new name: the iPayOne Center — a discount real estate

councilman who voted for the name change, said, "Tony Young actually changed his vote. He said it was a mistake; he pushed the wrong button. He filed his change of vote with the city clerk the next day. Jim Madaffer voted for the deal in 2002 but against it in 2005, which doesn't make any sense, and I let him know

matter was to find a sponsor that wasn't improper or offensive."

He said the ten percent revenue would go into the general fund.

iPayOne was created last March by several mortgage and escrow companies — Loanisland, Blue Water Financial, Palomar Realty, and Blue Water Realty.

— Michael Hemmingson

FM-94/9's program director claims that 91X has cut the New York band Interpol from 91X's

playlist. The reason? According to Garrett Michaels, it's because 91X was "upset that we were being allowed to simulcast their [Interpol's October] concert." He says 91X "threatened the label...saying, 'If you allow this to happen, we will cease to play Interpol.'" The band had been played on 91X prior to the concert.

Interpol is signed to the independent New York label Matador. A recent *L.A. Times* article claims that Interpol, the Killers, and Franz Ferdinand are three bands destined to become the next

arena headliners by 2009. Interpol appears on the April issue of *Spin*.

Jim Richards, Clear Channel's vice president of programming, oversees what



POPULAR INTERPOL CUT FROM 91X

gets played on 91X. He agreed that his station stopped playing Interpol in October. When asked why, he said, "I won't answer.... We play a lot of bands and then drop them."

When asked if he would comment about 91X's boycott, Matador Records' director of national radio

promotion, Jeremy Goldstein, said, "I'm choosing not to discuss that."

Interpol had a sold-out October show as well as a sold-out February show, both at Soma. 91X did not play Interpol once since October (according to both Mediabase, an airplay monitoring service, and Richards) even though powerhouse KROQ in L.A. stepped up Interpol's airplay. KROQ plays "Evil" by Interpol 21 times a week. It is their 14th most popular song.

— Ken Leighton

The Morrison Hotel Gallery owes

its name to a downtown L.A. hotel where Henry Diltz photographed what became the cover of the 1970 Doors album. Diltz's work anchors this new La Jolla gallery that offers 120 different prints for sale, from \$400 to \$2400.

Partnering with Diltz in the Morrison Hotel Gallery is Rich Horowitz of Encinitas,

who for the last 15 years has served as curator of the touring John Lennon art collection. Prints by Bay Area photographer Jim Marshall (who photographed Bob Dylan, the Beatles, and Miles Davis) will be shown through March 31.

— Ken Leighton

"I've been doing a lot of corporate shows," admitted original Bay City Rollers guitarist Ian Mitchell after the show March 12 in Rancho San Diego. They shared a bill with Steve Poltz, Private Domain, and the Coyote Problem at this year's



A FAN BLESSES THE BAY CITY ROLLERS

Hooleyfest. Proceeds went to raise money for new softball fields at the Rancho San Diego YMCA.

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brokerage in Carlsbad that has agreed to pay \$2.5 million for a five-year name rights license, with the city getting ten percent. After that, if iPayOne still wants its name there, it will cost the firm \$500,000 a year, again with ten percent going to the city. The deal was approved by the San Diego city council by a 6-2 vote on Monday, March 14.

Councilmembers Jim Madaffer and Tony Young voted against the name change. Michael Zucchet, a

it."

Madaffer's comment on the matter was "It's chump change for the taxpayers of San Diego."

Although Zucchet approved this Sports Arena name change (which has been in the works since April 2002 — before he was elected), he claimed, "I disapprove of it. Ten percent is a bad deal for city-owned property. But opposing it would lead to a lawsuit that the city wouldn't win. The council's only say in the



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The band emerged, wearing kilts, through plumes of stage fog to play "Shang-A-Lang" and "Saturday Night."

A guy from the crowd walked by as I interviewed Mitchell and said to Mitchell, "I'm Jim. I really enjoyed your show. What's the band's name?"

Mitchell told him.

"You guys are the Bay City Rollers? The real guys? Oh, God bless you."

"I've only seen them six or seven years ago at Chillers [in Pacific Beach]," said another fan.

Linda Martinez stood in line for an autograph and a "God Save the Bay City Rollers" T-shirt. Asked what her children think of the Bay City Rollers, Martinez said, "They think they're dorks."

— Pat Sherman

If the Chargers hadn't released 42-year-old quarterback Doug Flutie

on March 11, they would have had to pay him a \$300,000 bonus on March 15. Flutie was in Stowe, Vermont, for a family ski trip when he received the news. "He was disappointed, but it didn't come as a complete surprise," said Flutie's agent, Kristen Kuliga. Flutie had a gig over the weekend at a local club with his group the Flutie Brothers Band. He's the drummer, and his brother Darren plays guitar. The band has played Super Bowl parties, often bringing in guests like Bon Jovi keyboardist David Bryan and Lynyrd Skynyrd guitarists

Gary Rossington and Rickey Medlocke.

— Jay Allen Sanford

"Edmond, the son of Gloucester, comes onstage with an iPod," says Stephanie Robinson, composer for the San Diego Repertory's production of *King Lear*. Robinson, a Ph.D. candidate in music composition at UCSD, has been working on the score since October. "Almost all of it is prerecorded and is vocal, with my voice digitally altered. There's some sampled percussion. The only live piece is for the flute, played by one of the actors."

The character of the Fool, played by Armin Shimerman (best known as Quark in *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*), does sing.

King Lear opens at the San Diego Rep tomorrow, March 25, and runs through April 17.

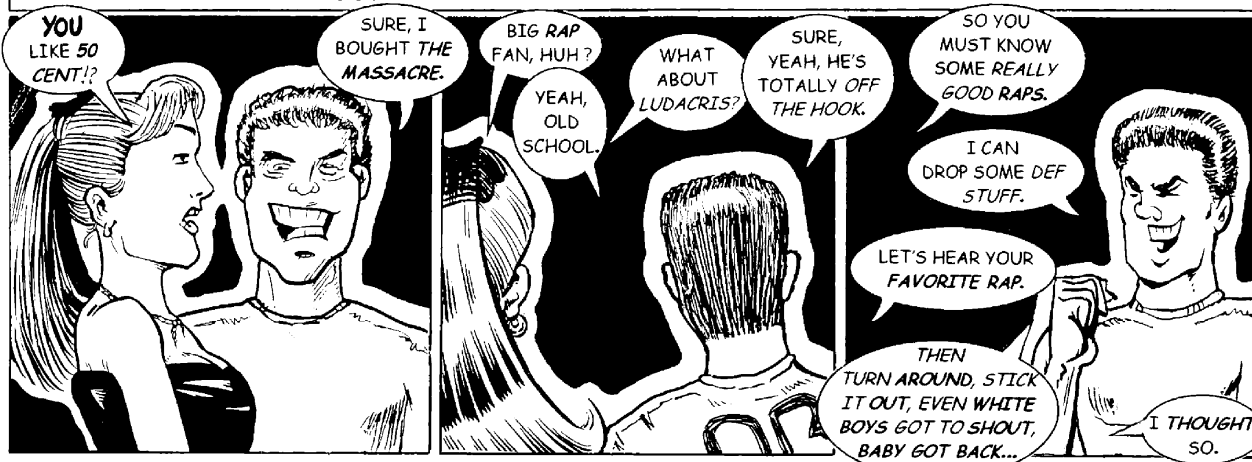
— Michael Hemmingson

Before the Robot Ate Me played San Francisco's Make-Out Room March 23, the *San Francisco Bay Guardian* proclaimed, "Those who thought intelligent music could never come out of a superficial city like San Diego will now have to eat their words. The mastermind behind the Robot Ate Me, Ryland Bouchard, has a political science degree as well as a technical ability with samples worthy of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology."

Regarding the same band, the *San Francisco Examiner*

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wrote on March 17, "San Diego-based the Robot Ate Me's sophomore release, *On Vacation*, is a complex jigsaw puzzle of sound...utilizing crackly samples from old records...live instrumentation, and grim tales of cannibalism, faith gone awry, and genocide."

— Jay Allen Sanford

Dane Scott, lead singer of Tubby, got a rude surprise when he returned with his band at 5



TUBBY TAKES A TOWING AND KEEPS ON GIGGING

a.m. on March 11 to the parking lot adjacent to the Mission Beach roller coaster. "There were probably ten cars towed," including theirs.

The cars belonged to those who went to see Tubby and fellow local bands the

Friday Band and the Dateless Losers play the Lighthouse Café in Hermosa Beach.

"It was \$250 to get our cars back right then, \$184 if we waited later in the day. We paid a limo bus driver an extra \$80 to take us home that morning."

Tubby appears tonight at Longboards in Pacific Beach at 9 p.m., \$3 cover, must be 21; and next Friday, 9 p.m., at the Coaster Saloon, free, must be 21.

— Ken Leighton

Jambase.com's "Head's Up" column

claims, "Louis XIV is quickly shaping up as 2005's first breakthrough rock 'n' roll success story.... 'Finding Out True Love Is Blind' is...currently the number two most requested at Los Angeles' influential KROQ.... The band's self-released album and EPs have already sold upwards of 10,000 copies."

— Jay Allen Sanford

"We are ten guys and a girl," [all] under the age of 21, playing traditional swing," said keyboardist Dave Martina, a member of High Stakes Swing. "The only other

band I know that plays swing is in Victorville."

The last show the band played, the act following them



HIGH STAKES SWINGS ESCONDIDO

was "wearing death masks, dreadlocks, and their amps were about ten feet high."

The band returns to the Metaphor Café in Escondido this weekend. "We made over \$1000 the second night we played," said Martina. "We pulled in over 300 people."

High Stakes Swing (www.highstakesswing.com) appears Saturday at 6 p.m. and at 9:30 p.m. at the

Metaphor Café, all ages, \$5 admission.

— Ken Leighton

When Boyz II Men play 4th & B tonight, their contract requires all two dozen bath towels must be black.

When U2 play the San Diego Sports Arena Monday, March 28, and Wednesday, March 30, it's unknown if their liquor requirements will be the same as it was when they played there in 1992.

"One case Rolling Rock...four cases Heineken, half case Guinness stout, one fifth Cuervo tequila, one fifth Stoli or Absolut vodka, one fifth Jack Daniel's black, two fifths Moët White Star Champagne, three very good white Chardonnays, three very good French red Bordeauxs, two Mouton Cadet red wines, two Jacobs Creek or Black Opal Australian white wines, [and] one medium-quality port or sherry, i.e., Sandimint."

— Jay Allen Sanford

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INTERVIEW

MICHAEL HEMMINGSON

TOP FIVE DESERT ISLAND CDs?

Lance "I'd cheat and load up five DVDs with 8.5 gigs of MP3s each. I'd have the biggest, most rockin' music collection of any of your desert island castaways. In a year I'd have a \$5 island cover charge, and in two it'd be mermaids and invites only. There would be a little of everything: Bob Dylan, Johnny Cash, Tom Waits, Flaming Lips — and Jeff Buckley, 13th Floor Elevators, and Pink Floyd for the mornings. Thievery Corporation, Groove Armada, PVD, DJ Shadow, DJ Icey, Z-trip, and DJ K for the mermaid dance parties. I'd also bring some of the continuously mixed musical journeys that local DJs like Willow and Sean Perry have given me. With 42.5 gigs, I could even bring some audio books, but I fear I've already gotten too elaborate to list those."

TRICKIEST PROBLEM DOING LIVE SHOWS?

Lance "Being our own roadies — it's always a challenge to find the easiest or best place to install projectors and screens in the rafters while years' worth of dust is getting in our eyes. For the one-night-stand shows, we occasionally have to remove all this stuff while everyone is drunk and heading off to party some more."

BEST BRUSH WITH SOMEONE FAMOUS?

Lance "When Paul Van Dyk came to L5, we wanted everything to be perfect for his set. We asked him how he wanted the house lights, smoke, video, etc., and he said in his funky Euro-accent, 'I played for years in the Amsterdam Under-

ground, so I am used to crazy lights and lasers. Nothing you do here is going to bother me.' I'm not an autograph hound, but I had him sign my DVD."

Cody "I had a fairly humorous chat with Slick Rick. A laser from the club bounced off his diamond-studded eye patch and zapped me in the eye. I probably looked crazy — blinking and rubbing while I talked to him."



Lance Winston

TOP FIVE GREAT MOVIES?

Lance "I have a thing for glorified outlaws: *Desperado*, *Once Upon a Time in Mexico*, *Gone with the Wind*, *Sixty Seconds*, *Oceans 11*."

Cody "*The Outsiders*, *Traffic*, *Being John Malkovich*, *Pulp Fiction*, and *Shawshank Redemption*."

STRANGEST DREAM ABOUT DOING A SHOW?

Cody "I dreamt that we were hired to do a show in Germany and that we had made an elaborate animation [which included] a lot of text, but we did it in the wrong language. It wasn't English and it wasn't German. I don't know what it was. I do know that no one understood it and we looked very stupid." ■

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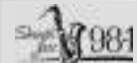
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FRIDAY

**The Presidents of the United
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The Decemberists and **Okervill
River:** 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday,
March 25, 8 p.m., 3105 Ocean Front
Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780
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SATURDAY

They Might Be Giants: Belly Up
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143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana
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Louis XIV [431]: SOMA, Saturday,
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MONDAY

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San Diego Sports Arena, Monday,
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TUESDAY

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

MARCH

The Real McKenzies [558]: 'Canes
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APRIL

Johnny Mathis [611]: Pala Events
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619-220-8497.

Rod Stewart [605]: Coors
Amphitheatre, Friday, April 1, 8 p.m.,
2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula
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Ryan Cabrera: Spreckels Theatre,
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downtown. 619-235-9500 or
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**Frankie Valli & the Four
Seasons** [612]: Sycuan Casino
Showcase Theatre, Friday, April 1,
8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa.
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"Taste of Chaos" with the **Used**,
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The Radiators: Belly Up Tavern,
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619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Roger Williams [573]: East County
Performing Arts Center, Saturday,
April 2, 210 East Main Street, El
Cajon. 619-440-2277.

The Young Dubliners [469]: Belly
Up Tavern, Saturday, April 2, 143
South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach.
619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

The Bodeans [446]: Belly Up
Tavern, Sunday, April 3, 8:15 p.m.,
143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana
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858-481-8140.

"Forever Fifties" featuring **Gogi
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County Performing Arts Center,
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Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277.

The Drive-By Truckers [574]: Belly
Up Tavern, Wednesday, April 6,
8:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue,
Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or
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George Duke and **Brenda Russell:**
Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre,
Thursday, April 7, 8 p.m., 5469
Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

Slipknot, **Lamb of God**, and
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"Lou Rawls Sings Sinatra": East County Performing Arts Center, Friday, April 8, 210 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-440-2277.

Vance Gilbert: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

The Dan Band: Open Air Theatre, Saturday, April 9, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497.

Molly's Revenge: San Dieguito United Methodist Church, Saturday, April 9, 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas. Folk Heritage information line, 858-566-4040.

Joe Satriani [536]: 4th & B, Sunday, April 10, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Velvet Revolver and **Hoobastank** [509]: Coors Amphitheatre, Tuesday, April 12, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

The Killers: RIMAC Arena, Tuesday, April 12, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

The Dead Kennedys: 'Canes Bar and Grill, Tuesday, April 12, 3105 Ocean Front Walk, Mission Beach. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497.

Sound Tribe Sector 9: 4th & B, Wednesday, April 13, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Crystal Method [268]: 4th & B, Friday, April 15, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Stacey Earle & Mark Stuart: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 15, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

moe. [459]: 4th & B, Saturday, April 16, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Debbie Davies [966]: Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, April 16, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

"Festival Del Mar" featuring **Macy Gray** [938], **Etta James** [951], the **Blind Boys of Alabama** [953], **Taj Mahal** [958], the **Yonder Mountain String Band**, the **Charlie Musselwhite Band**, **Peter Sprague** [643], **Chris Klich** [695], **Jason Mraz** [824], **Donavon Frankenreiter**, **Blackalicious**, **Karl Denson's Tiny Universe** [681], **Dave Wakeling**, **Common Sense** [736], and more: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, April 16, and Sunday, April 17, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 619-220-8497.

Bob Schneider [244]: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, April 17, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

"Athenaeum Jazz at the Neurosciences Institute" featuring **Toots Thielemans**, **Kenny Werner**, and **Oscar Castro-Neves**: Monday, April 18, 8 p.m., 10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive, La Jolla. 858-454-5872.

The Gin Blossoms: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, April 21, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Young MC: Brick by Brick, Thursday, April 21, 8 p.m., 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-275-5483.

Ellis Paul [819]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Thursday, April 21, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Mars Volta [292]: RIMAC Arena, Friday, April 22, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

Gordon Lightfoot: Sycuan Casino Showcase Theatre, Friday, April 22,

NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Whether you count its beginnings with Elvis or with Louis Jordan, rock 'n' roll is strictly a post-World War II phenomenon. Largely because of that, rock bands often look silly when they try writing about something that happened before the invention of the electric guitar. (Iron Maiden, I'm looking at you.) But some songwriters are history buffs and just can't help themselves. And some manage to pull it off.

Portland's **Decemberists** craft lovely songs about engine drivers, vaudeville performers, and World War I soldiers. They even devoted one EP to the pre-Christian Irish epic known as the Tain.

The Decemberists' music itself is modern enough: clean guitars, drums, organs,

strings, and horns. That combination is indie rock's idea of timelessness. But chief Decemberist **Colin Meloy**, a creative-writing program graduate, peppers his old-fashioned tales with obscure or archaic words and phrases like "balustrade" and "a writer of fictions." In fact, he's so literary that one wonders why he doesn't stick to literature. That way he wouldn't have to lug heavy amps around and live out of a van for weeks at a time.

Fortunately, he's got a pleasingly reedy voice and a knack for fey melody. (He's a big Morrissey fan.) And he's got a crackerjack band. Although powerhouse drummer Rachel Blumberg recently left to concentrate on her other band, Norfolk and Western, and to play backup for M. Ward, a couple of well-pedigreed new Decemberists have taken her place. One of them is **Petra Haden**, known for her work in That Dog, for



DECEMBERISTS

being the daughter of jazz great Charlie Haden, and for her recent a cappella recording of *The Who Sell Out*.

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DECEMBERISTS, 'Canes Bar and Grill, Friday, March 25, 8 p.m. 858-488-1780 or 619-220-8497. \$15.

8 p.m., 5469 Casino Way, Dehesa. 619-659-3380.

Olivia Newton-John: Pala Events Center, Friday, April 22, Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

Bow Wow Wow [580]: Brick by Brick, Friday, April 22, 8 p.m., 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-275-5483.

Clare Muldaur and Lisa Moscatello: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 22, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Vanessa Williams: Rincon Casino, Sunday, April 24, 7 p.m., Valley

Center Road, Escondido. 1-866-468-3349.

Gloria Trevi: Coors Amphitheatre, Sunday, April 24, 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Chuck Pyle: Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, April 24, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Toots & the Maytals [752]: Belly Up Tavern, Monday, April 25, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Eddie Carey and **Amber Rubarth:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Tuesday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield

Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Steve Vai [523] and **Eric Sardinas** [950]: 4th & B, Friday, April 29, 9 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

David Wilcox [883]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 29, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

"The 32nd Annual Adams Avenue Roots Festival": Bluegrass, Cajun, country blues, Celtic, country, folk, and more. Saturday, April 30, and Sunday, May 1, Adams Avenue (between 34th and 35th Streets), Normal Heights. 619-282-7329.

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Engelbert Humperdinck [993]: Pala Events Center, Monday, May 2, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

Juanes: Cox Arena, Tuesday, May 3, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Umphey's McGee: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 4, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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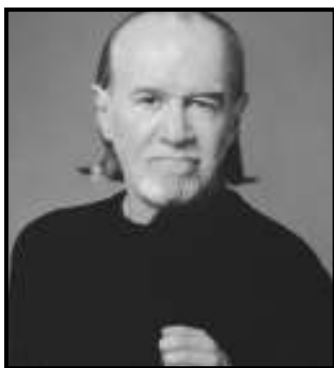
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Basia: Viejas Casino DreamCatcher Show Room, Friday, May 6, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

Bad Company featuring **Brian Howe:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, May 7, 7:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

New Found Glory [304] and **Reggie & the Full Effect:** SOMA, Saturday, May 7, 7:30 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

John McEuen: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, May 7, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Victor Wooten: Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, May 8, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Moby [282]: 4th & B, Sunday, May 8, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Loretta Lynn [763]: California Center for the Arts, Sunday, May 8, 3 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

The Strawbs: Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, May 8, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Maroon5 and **The Thrills:** Jenny Craig Pavilion, Monday, May 9, USD campus, Morena. 619-260-4600 or 619-220-8497.

Edwin McCain [576]: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 11, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

John Prine [887]: Spreckels Theatre, Friday, May 13, 7:30 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

Jimmy Eat World [578] and **Taking Back Sunday:** Cox Arena, Sunday, May 15, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Old Blind Dogs [830]: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Sunday, May 15, 7:30 p.m., 2083 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard, Ocean Beach. 619-222-0365.

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Nine Inch Nails [285] and the **Dresden Dolls:** SOMA, Monday, May 30, and Tuesday, May 31, 8 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

JUNE

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Al Green [964]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, June 14, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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The Spin Doctors [594] and the **Gin Blossoms:** Del Mar Fairgrounds, Thursday, June 23, 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Bo Diddley [967]: Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, June 23, 8 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Lowen & Navarro [286]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, June 25, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

Kelly Clarkson: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Wednesday, June 29, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Dwight Yoakam [779]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, June 30, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

JULY

Steve Poltz [815] & the Rugburns [263]: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, July 2, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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Michael Bolton [475]: Palomar Starlight Theater, Sunday, July 31, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4555 or 619-220-8497.

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AUGUST

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Jack Johnson [293] & Matt Costa: RIMAC Field, Saturday, August 6, UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

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Styx [591]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Saturday, August 13, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

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Ripplegroove: 'Canes

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ROCK

Aero Drive: Blind Melons

Erin Ashe: Blind Melons

Cathryn Beeks [507]: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

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The Ryan Bentley Band: The Casbah

Bottomline [597]: Game Time Tavern

Buck's Big Night Out: Blind Melons

The Burkthart Breaks Boards: Blind Melons

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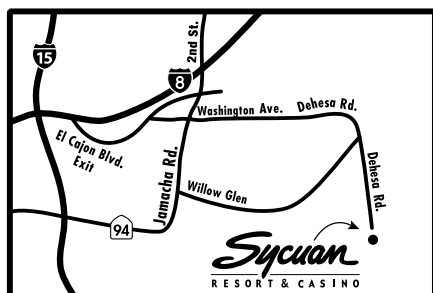
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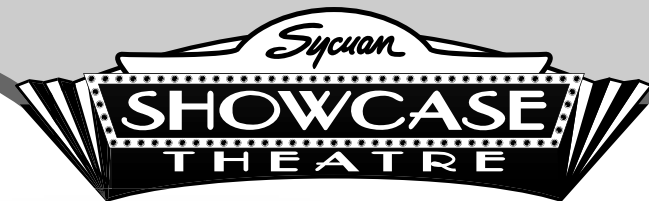
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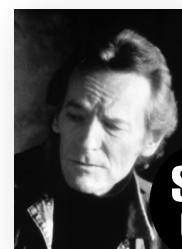
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Kemosabe: The Greek Sombrero

Mick Keys: Elario's Bistro and Sky Lounge

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Phat Daddy: Woody's Sports Bar

Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last Resort

Proper Jive: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

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Quino: Humphrey's

RPM: Brick By Brick

Remedy Motel: Surf N'Saddle

The Rockoholics: Second Wind (San Carlos)

Rockola: Viejas Casino

The Salt Lickers: The Kraken

Shoestring Strap: Winstons

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The Sneaker Kings: Fannie's Nightclub

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POP / TOP 40

Art Deco: Humphrey's

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Boyz II Men [610]: 4th & B

Bridget Brigitte [603]: Humphrey's

Jesse Davis: Buon Giorno Restaurant

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The Love Rangers: The Alley

Rick Lyon: The Imperial House

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The New Breed Band: Dick's Last Resort

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The Ratz Pack: La Scala

Peter Robberecht/Pianoman [622]: Dakota Grill and Spirits

Richard Samuels: The Calypso Cafe

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JAZZ / BIG BAND

The Archtones: Croce's Jazz Bar

The Ray Barrie Big Band: The German-American Societies

Tom Bishop: Rancho Bernardo Inn

Blue Largo [636]: Coyote Bar and Grill

The Sacha Boutros Quartet: Pasquale on Prospect, Aurora Trattoria

Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado

The Caballero-Verde Quintet: Dizzy's

John Cain [703]: Elario's Bistro and Sky Lounge, Hotel del Coronado

The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bar

Sammy Canonizado: Cafe LaMaze

Gilbert Castellanos [667]: Excelsior, Humphrey's

Sandy Chappel: Cafe LaMaze

Jo Dark: The German-American Societies

The David Patrone Quartet [647]: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)

Fattburger [648]: Humphrey's

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EXTENSION 4006

REGGAE / SKA

The Devastators [731]: Winstons
Kush & Jah Blood Fiyah Angles: Winstons
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NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

The juggernaut that is **U2** announced plans to kick off their next tour with a pair of shows in San Diego. Tickets sold out at a fast clip, and many fans got left behind. Requests for ticket connections were inevitable. "I'd pay anything to get tickets for my boyfriend's birthday," says a friend of a friend. I locate a reliable reseller holding pairs of good seats, but when I quote her the going rate — nearly three times the original ticket price, which was already steep — her reply is predictable. "I don't love my boyfriend *that* much," she says.

One wonders if U2's flatlined performance at the recent Grammy Awards caused anyone to reconsider forking over such heavy capital. Likewise, did their induction into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and **Bono's** touching acceptance speech about how

bassist Adam Clayton was poised to take a bullet for him during a potentially violent gig inspire another round of price gouging? Early on, U2 sewed up their reputation as a band of grand gestures. Theirs was a book of pop culture that centered on subjects that mattered, and they were aligned with no particular music scene. Instead, they took risks and reinvented themselves for each tour (with sometimes mixed results). Unlike much of rock, U2 presents a picture of middle-class stability. Our earliest images of them are intact today — a journeyman rhythm section, a modest and original guitarist, and a vocalist with an educated finger stuck into a lot of politically correct pies. Another friend calls, claiming to have connections within Clear Channel, the promoter. It turns out that some tickets at face-value prices have been held back. But even at that rate, I have to pass. She understands and weighs out her own options. "It's



U2

either spend a little more than \$350 to take my son to see U2," she says, "or go to Hawaii."

The Kings of Leon open. (To hear a sample of **U2**, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4569.)

U2, San Diego Sports Arena, Monday, March 28, and Wednesday, March 30. 619-224-4171. Sold out.

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Blitzkrieg Bop: Mondays, 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, rap, booty bass, and '80s 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.

Club '80s: Thursdays, new wave, electro, and new romantic with DJs Bryan Pollard and Sickboy. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

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Deviantly Dark: Sundays, dark, driving progressive house and breakbeats with DJs Emmet Masterson and Joe P; 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

Faction-6: First Tuesday of the month, elektroclash, indie, and synthpop with DJs B-czar, Talbot, and NarcoLept. No cover; 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

Fresca: Thursdays, trip-hop, downtempo breaks, and acid jazz with DJs Red Sonya and Jersan; 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Marin Lounge, 548 Fifth Avenue (below Tesoro Restaurant), downtown. 619-234-5670.

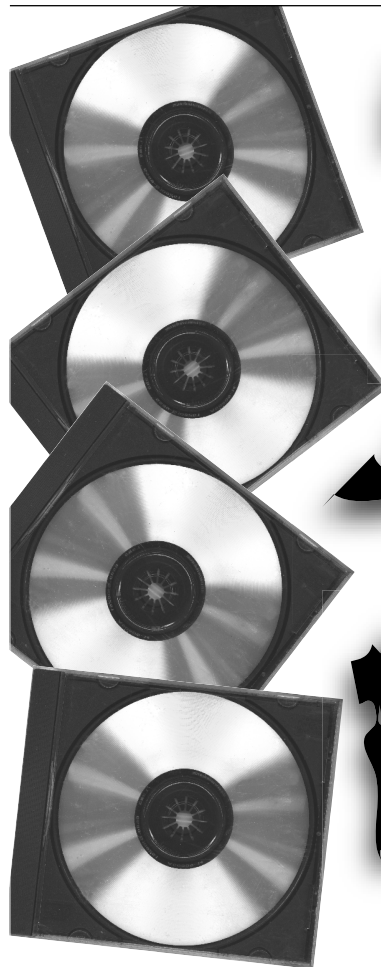
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Sabbat: Second Saturday of the month, Rich's, 1051 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-295-2195. Fourth Saturday of the month, the Flame, 3780 Park Boulevard, Hillcrest, 619-295-4163, Hillcrest. DJs Adam Atom, Dekay, and Robin Roth, 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up.

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NORTH COUNTY

The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *the Love Rangers*, Top 40/pop.

Belly Up Tavern, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-9022. Thursday, 9 p.m., *the Funky Meters* and *Billy Thompson Band*, blues. Friday, *the Presidents of the United States of America*, *Slender Means*, and *Steam*. Saturday, *They Might Be Giants*, alternative. Sunday, *Primo*, Latin jazz. Tuesday, *Handsome Boy Modeling School*, hip-hop. Wednesday, *Asleep at the Wheel*, western swing, and *Working Cowboy Band*, country.

Benihana, 755 Raintree Drive, Carlsbad. 760-929-8311. Friday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Patrick Quillin*, rock covers.

Bistro 221, 221 Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-7398. Friday and Saturday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Donnie Finnell & Co. East*, standards and light jazz.

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

The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Primasi*, Eastern European folk.

Borders Books and Music, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Kevin Tinkle*, folk.

Bub's Whiskey Dive, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, Synergy, rock. Saturday, *Loud Residence*, rock.

The Calypso Cafe, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-

8252. Thursday, *Richard Samuels*, contemporary. Friday, *Jeff Moore* and *Dean Smith*, rock. Saturday, *Triple Shot*, blues. Sunday, *the Duotones*, rock. Monday, *the Flounders*, folk. Tuesday, *Luna Nena*, jazz. Wednesday, *Adrienne Nims & Batista*, flamenco.

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. Friday and Saturday, *Left Hand Thread*, rock. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

Coyote Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Blue Largo*, jazz/blues. Friday, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Hot Rod Lincoln*, rockabilly. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., *Billy Watson*, blues, 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Theo & the Zydeco Blues Patrol*, blues. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *Blue Largo*, jazz/blues, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Mark Lessman*, jazz.

The Del Dios Country Store, 20154 Lake Drive, Escondido. 760-745-2733. Friday, *the Baja Blues Boys*. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Joe Rathburn*, acoustic/folk.

E Street Cafe, 128 E Street, Encinitas. 760-230-2038. Thursday, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Free Air*, acoustic pop/rock.

Game Time Tavern, 12735 Poway Road, Poway. 858-748-0015. Friday and Saturday, *Bottomline*, classic rock.

Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad), 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Saturday, *Contorsion*, rock.

Hennessey's, 224 Main Street, Vista. 760-643-1619. Friday, 9 p.m., *the Clay Colton Band*, rock.

The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, 5951 Linea del Cielo, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-1131. Thursday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.



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BY MARY MONTGOMERY

Album Name: *The Best Little Secrets Are Kept* (2005)

Artist: Louis XIV

Label: Atlantic

Songs: 1) Louis XIV 2) Finding Out True Love Is Blind 3) Paper Doll 4) God Killed the Queen 5) A Letter to Dominique 6) Illegal Tender 7) Pledge of Allegiance 8) Hey, Teacher 9) All the Little Pieces 10) Ball of Twine

Price/Where Available: You can order the CD at insound.com for \$13.99 and also get a free 42-page Louis XIV photo book while supplies last.

Band Members: Jason Hill (lead vocals/guitarist/pianist), Brian Karscig (guitar), Mark Maigaad (drums), Jimmy Armbrust (bassist)

Extra Info: Louis XIV plays SOMA this Saturday, March 26.

Website: www.louisxiv.net

The way 91X and 94/9 are playing the single "Finding Out True Love Is Blind" gives the impression that the hooky cut with las-

civious lyrics is all these ex-Convoy guys have to offer. But wait, there's more. The disc's most striking aspect is the excellent fusion of glam rock

The Jumping Turtle, 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7778. Thursday, *Deadline Friday*, rock. Friday, 10 p.m., *Headtrip Superstar*, rock. Saturday, *Stone Vengeance*, rock.

The Kraken, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, 3 *EZ Pieces*, blues. Friday, *Bill Magee Blues Band*. Saturday, *Salt Lickers*, rock. Sunday, *Blues Brokers*. Monday, *Charles Burton Blues Band*.

Longshot Saloon, 643 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-8576. Friday, *Agent Orange*, alternative rock. Saturday, 51 *Guns*, rock. Tuesday, *Lord Carrett*.

Martini Ranch, 485 South Coast Highway (at D Street), Encinitas. 760-943-9101. Thursday, 9 p.m., *Sugar Rush Railroad*, *Starline Theory*, and *the Northstar Session*, alternative rock.

Mas Fina Cantina, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497.

with pop. Each song progresses from catchy to addictive, tinged with a lot of humor.

"A Letter to Dominique" and "Illegal Tender" harness the same kind of energy found in "Finding Out True Love Is Blind," with the emphasis on feedback, vintage instrumentation, and bawdy lyrics. In "Illegal Tender" Hill sings, *"I looked into your eyes / and pushed your buttons and levers / you kindly said whatever / and you liked my lovin' better / because you said so in a letter / that said return to sender / my illegally illegal tender."*

The voice of frontman Jason Hill is certainly an acquired taste in that he manages to channel both Johnny Rotten and Sid Vicious. The ballad "All the Little Pieces" is undercut with a Beatles-esque vibe and splashes of cello, piano, and electric guitar. Yeah, the album is mired



Louis XIV

in sex, but what isn't lately? If this is a reaction to the ugliness of current events, let them eat Cake.

(To hear a sample of The Best Little Secrets Are Kept, call 619-233-9797, wait for the prompt, then punch in ext. 4431.)

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Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

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

Neimans Bar and Grill, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Saturday, *Pocket*, alternative rock.

North Bar Sports & Spirits, 200 West El Norte Parkway, Escondido.

760-480-8228. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

R. O'Sullivan's, 118 East Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-0954. Thursday, *the Clay Colton Band*, pub rock.

Rancho Bernardo Inn, 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizzococho Restaurant: Friday, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *and Saturday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m.*, *Jerry Melnick* and *Tom Bishop*, jazz/variety.

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Squid Joe's, 850 Tamarack Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-4996. Friday, 9 p.m., *the Mystic Roots* and *the Stone Senses*, reggae. Saturday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Agent Orange*, *Hellfire Trigger*, and *Raw Kandy*, alternative/rock.

Surf N'Saddle, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *Greenhouse*, rock. Saturday, *Remedy Motel*, rock. Wednesday, 9 p.m., open mike.

Tom Giblin's Irish Pub & Restaurant, 640 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-7234. Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Clay Colton Band*, pub rock.

Tomiko Bar & Grill, 87 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-633-3587. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Ben Powell*, blues/jazz.

Vista Entertainment Center, 435 West Vista Way, Vista. 760-941-1032. Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Blues Pharaohs*, blues.

Woody's Sports Bar, 2329 South Centre City Parkway, Escondido. 760-735-8599. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m., *Phat Daddy*, rock.

BEACHES

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

Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach. 858-488-0551. Tangier Bar: Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., *Jayson Diorio*, contemporary piano/vocals.

Blind Melons, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Thursday, *Murdock*, *Mr. Orange Undercover*, *Second to Last*, *Zero to None*, and *Erin Ashe*. Friday, *Melissa Ferrick* and *Garrison Starr*, rock. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Aero Drive*, rock, 9 p.m., *Siren*, *Wick*, *Tetany*, *C.D.M.*, and *Todd DiCiurcio*. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Dean Seltzer*, 9 p.m., *Buck's Big Night Out* and *Soulttime Service*, rock. Monday, open mike. Tuesday, *the Burkthart Breaks Boards* and *Magnolia Black*, alternative rock. Wednesday, *Marizen*.

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Daddio's Superior Bar & Grill, 4556 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-272-4656. Thursday, 6 p.m., *Fred Heath & the Slidewinders*, blues. Friday, *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*.

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Excelsior, 1025 Prospect Street #201 (second floor), La Jolla. 858-454-8092. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Gilbert Castellanos*, jazz.

Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla), 909 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-7625. Friday and Saturday, call club for information.

Hennessey's Tavern (PB), 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Friday, *Modern Day Moonshine*, rock. Saturday, *NZ Rough*, reggae. Wednesday, *Cathryn Beeks*, acoustic/folk.

La Scala, 1101 Scott Street, Point Loma. 619-224-2272. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Ratz Pack*, American classics. Sunday, 7:30 p.m., *Salvador & Cesar*, opera.

La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Barry Levich*, jazz. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m., and Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Rick Ross*, jazz.

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0722. Friday, *the Sacha Boutros Quartet*, jazz.

Sandbar Sports Grill, 718 Ventura Place, San Diego. 858-488-1274. Call club for information.

Tiki House, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Friday, *the Fremonts*, blues. Saturday, *the Nards*, rock. Sunday, *Jimmy Lewis*, acoustic. Wednesday, call club for information.

Tropicoso, 1261 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-270-5100. Thursday, *Los Reyes del Ritmo*, flamenco/Latin.

Turquoise Cafe, 873 Turquoise Street, La Jolla. 858-488-4200. Thursday, 6 p.m., live traditional Irish music. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., *Jazilla*, straight-ahead jazz. Saturday, *Fred Heath & the Slidewinders*, blues.

Winstons, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Thursday, *Israel Maldonado*, Latin music. Friday, *Cubensis*, rock. Saturday, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., *Shoestring Strap*, 9:30 p.m., *Kush & Jah Blood Fiyah Angels* and *the Devastators*, reggae. Sunday, 6 p.m., to 7 p.m., *Kenny Neal*. Monday, *Electric Waste Band*, classic rock. Tuesday *Release the Elephants*, alternative rock. Wednesday, *Pyschedelicatessen*.

SAN DIEGO

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

Blarney Stone Pub, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Harold & Chris*, Irish/American folk. Tuesday, Irish jam session.

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Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Shows begin at 8 p.m. Thursday, *Jesse Dayton* and *Todd Stedman*, blues. Friday, *Downspell*, *Broken Foundation*, *Gargantulla*, and *Matador*. Saturday, *the Accident Experiment*, *Outlet*, *RPM*, and *Slewfoot*. Wednesday, *the Flir*, *Mankind Is Obsolete*, and *Eternal Unborn*.

Egyptian Tea Room, 4644 College Avenue, San Diego. 619-265-7287. Sunday, 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., *Kathy Graham*, gospel/blues.



MUSIC ► house, jazz, electric lounge, hip-hop, rock, and reggae
SPECIAL NIGHTS ► live DJs
Thursday through Sunday, bands on holidays or special occasions
CLIENTELE ► all ages, but most customers in their 20s; 80 percent Caucasian, 20 percent Asian; 60 percent of the crowd male

COVER ► none

HOURS ► noon until 3:00 p.m. for lunch, open again 5:30 p.m. until midnight (every day); they'll stay open later if people are coming in at midnight

DRINKS ► late happy hour from 10:00 p.m. until midnight (many items on menu half off); six beers on tap (including two Japanese brews and two local — Ballast Point and Karl Strauss); 60 wines, 30 beers, and over 50 sakes (they only have a beer-and-wine license, so no

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FOOD ► sushi; chicken entrées (average \$7.95), soups, ten appetizers, four salads, and a variety of seafood; I overheard one customer exclaim, "They have cheesecake here that's deep-fried. How many carbs do you think that has?"

ACCESS ► in Old Town; trolley is two blocks away; parking lot has ten spaces in back

DRESS ► casual; a few in suits and sport coats, some women in dresses, lots of baseball caps

DANCE FLOOR ► none

FIRE EXITS ► three — the main entrance has two doors within a few feet of each other, and another exit in the back (by the restrooms)

BATHROOMS ► you have to go outside, and they're two feet away (attached to the building); both had

one toilet, sink, mirror, liquid soap, and paper towels; both were clean and graffiti-free

CAPACITY ► 125

SPECIAL AREAS ► 20 seats at the sushi bar; two outdoor patios (uncovered, so there's no seating when it rains), and an aquarium with a couch in front of it

FURNISHINGS ► the bar has 20 seats; ten tables (many of them very close together), Japanese decor, candles on each table, red lights hanging low, and four ceiling fans

DECIBEL LEVEL ► 96 when DJ Willow was spinning records; 111 last week at Aloha J's in Temecula

WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN

LAST MONTH ► At Large

QUOTABLE ► "Wow, they have a sushi pizza."

I came here at 9:00 p.m. on a Thursday night and was told there was a 30-minute wait. A customer said, "This place is like Denny's.

You can come here at midnight,

and it's packed with people."

That's probably the only thing it has in common with Denny's.

I talked to owner Dustin Summerville. He was 24 when he opened this place four years ago. "I...borrowed money to open my own place. I want to open two more."

When I asked about the name, he said he would keep it Harney Sushi (even though they wouldn't be on Harney Street); the reason being, "We write miso before the name, since we have miso soup. That way, it sounds like 'me so horny' when you say 'miso Harney Sushi.' "

Clever.

Becoming a member here (\$100 annually) gets you discounts. Summerville said, "If you come here four times and order a lot of sushi, you will already have it paid for. Some of our regular customers have saved \$5000."

That's a lot of sushi.

— Josh Board

midnight, *the Stampede Jam*, classic rock.

Exotic Bamboo Tea House, 1475 University Avenue, San Diego. 619-584-4328. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Israel Maldonado*, Latin music.

The Gordon Biersch Brewery, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Brian Stevens*, Top 40 covers.

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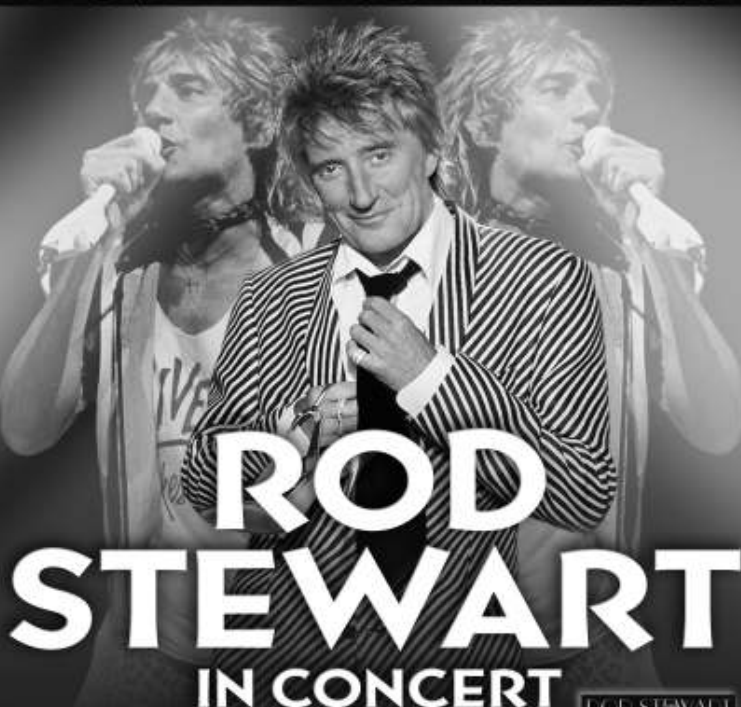
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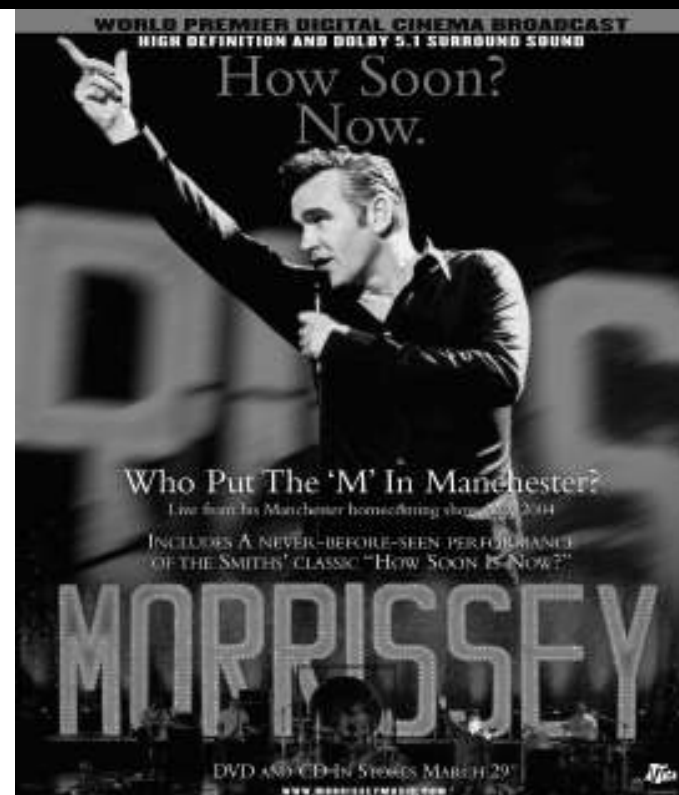
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Reveling at Reveles

After a couple of days at Harrah's in Valley Center, my partner and I grew bored with casino clamor and casino fare. At Fiore's, the hotel's top restaurant, our food-savvy waitress was a Valley Center resident, so we asked her if there were any decent places to eat in town. "Our Mexican restaurant, Revels [*sic*], is *good!*" she said. "But that's about it around here."

Next day, we headed to Casa Reveles for lunch. It didn't look like much, but we wound up eating several meals there, and they were all worth the drive. The original restaurant is still in Escondido. At this "newer" location, on the former site of a sleepy cantina/restaurant called the Grouchy Gaucho, the decor resembles any shabby old Mexican joint, with prints of agricultural peons hung on peeling mustard-colored walls. The tables and booths are topped with Formica patterned to look like wooden planks, and the plastic covers on some menus have been so abraded by use that the freshly printed pages beneath them look foggy. The restaurant adjoins a funky saloon, which holds the sole on-site liquor license in the town center. (The casinos on nearby Indian reservations serve liquor, but they're not popular with locals, who'd rather drink "where everybody knows your name.")

Even if the look at Reveles says "been here forever," the bill of fare hints of new ownership. Sure, there are the usual numbered border-Mex tortilla-wrap combos — 29 of them — but they're downplayed, clumped into a column at the bottom of the menu, like afterthoughts. Above are listed 18 "Super Mexican Dishes," house specialties with full descriptions, and on the next page, 16 seafood entrées. Some of these dishes, like fajitas, are standard gringo-Mex fare, but others offer less common and more authentic flavors, many with creative twists.

Take the house specialty, *carnitas*. Reveles's are among the best I've tasted anywhere, including mainland Mexico. I'd even call them "revelatory," so superior are they to typical taqueria versions. Our waiter told us that they take 24 hours to prepare, possibly indicating a flavor marinade. The slow-braised pork shoulder chunks are fast-fried before serving, to crisp the surfaces. At many eateries, this step turns the meat dry, but here the centers remain moist, contrasting with the crackly edges. To add to



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your pleasure, they're served in several elaborate concoctions (in addition to "straight up"). I loved them *con nopale* best of all. The meat recurs in the à la carte menu, in the options for filling burritos, steamed tacos, and sandwiches, and also in a tempting kitchen-sink appetizer called "Sergio's Quesadilla." I get the feeling that Mr. Réveles is proud of his *carnitas* — he should be.

Machaca con huevos, a classic for breakfast at any hour, was equally splendid, distinguished by small improvements over strict tradition. Mr. Réveles's dish combines three of Mexico's best recipes. Technically, *machaca con huevos* refers to the shredded air-dried beef called *carne seca*, combined with sautéed onions in scrambled eggs. Here, hand-pulled braised beef substitutes for the dried meat — you'll also find this stuffing in the tortilla wraps, rich with cooked-in cilantro. To add liveliness to luxury, the scrambled eggs are a full-out rendition of *huevos mexicanos*, loaded not just with onions, but with chopped tomatoes, minced mild chilies, and more cilantro.

Enchiladas suizas (chicken enchiladas "Swiss-style" — topped with a creamy sauce) is one of my partner's favorite dishes when it's done to his standards, and Reveles's rendition thrilled him. The wraps were swathed in a coral purée, a tomato-based, cream-amended *salsa roja* (red sauce) — exactly as I remember them from when I first enjoyed the dish in Vera Cruz. On top were melted cheese,

sour cream, and a dollop of a second sauce: a *salsa verde* (green sauce) with a semi-crisp texture from sautéed diced onions and diced fresh tomatillos. The briefer-than-normal cooking allowed us to savor each ingredient. My only quarrel is that the melted cheese used in this and other dishes is a border-Mex Longhorn/Jack mix. I guess Californians expect it, but on the Mexican mainland, yellow cheese is unknown.

The garnishes for most "Super Mexican" entrées include tortillas, lettuce, sour cream, guacamole, red Mexican rice, and your choice of whole or refried beans. The guacamole is hand-mashed, if a bit bland — nothing a dash of salt

Casa Reveles Mexican and Seafood Restaurant

★★★½ (Very Good to Excellent)

Harvest Farms Village, 29000 Lilac Road, Valley Center, 760-749-8041, www.casareveles.com. (Also at 201 Mission Avenue, Escondido, 760-480-5565, with a Mexican-Italian menu.)

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CUISINE AND BEVERAGES: Reasonably authentic multiregional Mexican cuisine, with several unusual dishes. Adjoining cantina with full bar.

PICK HITS: Anything with *carnitas* and/or *salsa verde*; *enchiladas suizas*; anything stuffed with beef, including *machaca con huevos*.

NEED TO KNOW: Breakfast specials Saturdays and Sundays until noon. Family atmosphere, but watch out for karaoke nights.

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REVIEW

NAOMI WISE

and a splash of the table salsa won't fix. I loved the soulful whole-bean *frijoles*, served in their cooking liquid. Evidently, Escondido's healthy-food ethic has hiked across the hills into Valley Center, since the lardless *refritos* are "refried" in olive oil. In both guises, the beans need a shot of salt. If you want your flavors more *picante*, you can choose from three bottled hot sauces, or the mild table salsa, distinguished by rafts of minced cilantro. (Reveles's produce is provided by a company in Escondido, and much of it arrives fresh from local farms.)

Casa Reveles also bills itself as a seafood restaurant. Valley Center is far from the ocean, via curvy two-lane roads, so the kitchen can't of-

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fer fresh local catch. The majority of the seafood (shrimp, fish, lobster, etc.) is delivered frozen from a fish purveyor in Los Angeles. Oysters served on the half-shell aren't frozen, Mr. Réveles later told me, but processed in some fashion to guarantee their safety. The species varies with the seasons. The ones we tried, possibly from the Gulf waters off Texas, were large, with a metallic flavor. A squeeze of lime and a spoonful of that table salsa turned them tasty. With ceviche tostadas, you have a choice of shrimp or fish, marinated in lemon juice. The portion size is generous, but the flavors are pallid. You're a

long way from Ensenada here.

Nonetheless, let Mr. Réveles loose in the kitchen, and he can make a silk purse of a frozen prawn. An entrée called *Brisa del Mar* ("sea breeze") offers shrimp, chicken, and shredded crab swathed in tomato sauce, served under a blanket of melted cheese, and topped with avocado chunks. What the quality of the seafood lacked, the kitchen made up for with TLC. The shrimps were tender, cooked not a second too long. So, too, were the moist pieces of grilled chicken breast. We found these flavors and textures delightful, although the combination was rich enough to fill us up fast.

Perhaps I shouldn't have been surprised to find a restaurant of this quality in North County, since the batting average of Mexican cooking there seems higher than in the metro

area. You don't find food like this downtown, except at a few small gems in Logan Heights. I'm not saying you should drop everything and rush up to Valley Center — but if you live nearby, or expect to pass through that area, this one's a prime pick for a fine meal.

ABOUT THE CHEF/OWNER

My phone call caught Sergio Réveles in the kitchen at Valley Center, filling in at the stove during the cook's vacation. Although he has professional cooks at both of Casa Reveles' locations, the recipes are his. "I come here in the morning and I prep everything, and then the cooks come in later to finish the orders," he says.

Mr. Réveles is from Zacatecas (in the inland Valley of Mexico, halfway between Mazatlán and Mexico City). In 1982, he was in his fourth year

of medical school when he ran out of money to continue. He moved to California and found a job as a dishwasher in an Italian restaurant. Within three months, he was cooking and waiting tables; he swiftly became head chef and manager, remaining for the next 11 years. About that time, his first son was born, and he struck out on his own to open the original Casa Reveles in Escondido.

Before Mr. Réveles bought the Valley Center location in August 2003, it was home to a dive bar and neglected restaurant called the Grouchy Gaucho — so grouchy that the dining area was rarely open. "I live up here, and I moved my family up here," Mr. Réveles says. "I like it very much because the people who live here are like a big family. Once they know you, everybody helps everybody out. But I traveled

around here and [realized that] there was nowhere to go out for a meal. I had a lot of customers from Valley Center in my Escondido restaurant, and they were always asking me to open a restaurant up here. So I decided that Valley Center needed a Mexican restaurant.

"And while my kids are growing up and in school, I want to work close to home. I was going to all the school meetings, and I met people there... I learned that this place [Grouchy Gaucho] was more of a bar than a restaurant. Right after I bought it, some of the people asked me to keep the bar open late, until midnight. The alcohol was most of the business then. Customers would come here just to drink — a lot! I'd even drive some of them home myself, so they wouldn't get hurt. But I wanted this place to be more

like a family restaurant. I decided to close early, including the bar. The alcohol is only about 20 percent of my business now, the rest is the food.

"My cooking is a little different from most restaurants up here," he says. "Most places cook Mexican food in more of an American style. Mine is more like the [Zacatecan] home-style. I use more of the ingredients we always used at home. My grandmother taught me to cook a lot of things — things that people here have never seen on a menu before. Sometimes I actually give them away so that people can try them — things like *nopales* cactus and *tripas*, marrow guts [chitlins]. Then they come back and say, 'Give me that stuff you gave me the other day!' They might not know the name of what they ate, but they like the taste once they try it." ■

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She chews a bit more.

"What's tomato doing in it? I've never had tomato in a hot dog. And what's this green mess? It looks like radioactive fish eggs."

"Sweetheart. It's a Chicago dog is all."

Gosh. Just brought it home to her. I thought she'd love it. Instead, here she is, dissing the dog.

Me? Au contraire. I liked it. A lot. Well, one similar. Earlier today, I'd found this budding Little Chicago while heading north in the trolley from 12th and Imp. One stop up, I see a new corner eatery with a moby white-and-silver Harley glistening in the window.

I keep coming back to East Village. Something new's popping up every day. This one's at Park and Market, all glass and steel and cinder block. Kinda gritty. But then there's the sign: "Happy Hour 3:30-6:00." What can you do? I walk in the door. "Hi!" comes a chorus. Couple of babes behind the counter actually look eager to see me. "Soon to be World Famous," the menu says.

First up, I ask for a beer. Decent-size glass of domestic is \$2.00. I get a Bud, grab a paper menu, and haul off to a table. Wow. The 12- by 18-inch photo stuck on the wall beside the flat-panel TV shows about a hundred skydivers free-falling in a neat, square pattern. Guys here skydive?

Hmm. Scanning the menu here. Hot dogs seems to be the medium, Chicago the message.

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"Can't get the buns here," says this guy on a ladder. He's fixing the wall menu. Turns out to be Peter, the owner. "We ship them in from Chicago."

"You anything to do with that crazy skydiving photo?" I ask.

"Absolutely. Over Quincy, Illinois. There were 81 of us. Can you imagine the logistics?"

Turns out Pete has 10,000 jumps to his credit. The guy ran two skydiving schools back east. There are other pix of him and his wife and sister-in-law jumping, bursting with those wind-filled grins. So why the switch from skydiving to Chicago dogs? "Ever since two cops took me to a Chicago-style hot dog stand in Las Vegas, I've had this thing about creating a genuine Chicago hot dog joint. When I heard about this place, right near the new ballpark, hey."

Pete says he's in full windup mode, preparing for "The Day."

"The day?"

"April 7. Home opener. Petco Park is two blocks away." His eye gleams.

Aha. That's why "Sluggers."

"So what's your most filling dog?" I ask.

"Italian Stallion," says Pete. I zip through the menu. "Italian Stallion: Charbroiled Italian

sausage with our secret spicy natural gravy on a Gonella," it says — \$5.25.

It comes with a choice of peppers. "Sweet red, mild pepperoncini, or hot jardiniere peppers." Gonella's a kind of hardy bun.

So, right, but first I check the rest of the hot dog patch. Comiskey Park Pole (\$4.25) is a charbroiled "monster size" Polish sausage. Maxwell Street Madness (\$4.95) is the Firepole butterflied out with fried onions in the split, and then there's a whole raft of steakburgers and "specialties." Pete says he actually sells more burgers than dogs. Maybe that's 'cause he only does half-pound and one-pound sizes. And he buys the meat fresh every day. Pretty good prices too. Basic Bullpen Burger is \$4.50 half-pound, \$7.95 one-pound. Shroomzburger is \$5.95 and \$10.75.

I'm feeling the draw of the Ted Williams Clam Roll. "The finest Ipswich clams," deep fried with tartar sauce, in a bun, \$6.95. Babe Ruth Lobster Roll looks even better, but it's \$8.95.

'Course I end up doing the Italian Stallion. Price talks. And quantity. Wanda writes down the order, stands on tiptoe, clips it to a wire, and scoots the order over to the kitchen, where Joe the cook's awaiting.

Kssst! Shshshk! Soon he's handing over the goods.

"No, no," says Pete. "More onions. Got to have lots of onions, Joe."

The Place: *Sluggers* "By the Ballpark," 1219 Market Street (at Park), 619-546-5973

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Prices: *Chicago-Style Dog, with tomato wedges, mustard, pickle, relish, onions, peppers, \$3.25; Comiskey Park Pole, charbroiled Polish sausage dog (\$4.25); Maxwell Street Madness (Firepole butterflied out with fried onions), \$4.95; Italian Stallion (charbroiled Italian sausage in bun), \$5.25; Bullpen Burger, \$4.50 half-pound, \$7.95 one pound; Ted Williams Clam Roll (Ipswich clams with tartar sauce), \$6.95; Babe Ruth Lobster Roll, \$8.95; mesquite chicken salad, \$4.95*

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"He's new," he explains. "Everything's new."

Must say, with the beer, it works. Sausage is good and herby, and yep, there's per-lenty of onions. The spicy sauce soaks into the bun. The peppers add speckles of yellow and a bit of heat.

"That was my first Italian Stallion," says Joe. "How is it?"

Mouth's full. I shake my head up and down. The only problem is the sausage keeps falling through the bottom of the bun. One regret: I didn't order slips, the crunchy fried-potato slices you can get for \$1.45.

Can't help noticing: the place is new, but it's already got a kind of neighborhood-pub thing going. Guys from the construction sites around here come in paint-spattered, order a brewski and Pizza Puffs ("a Chicago specialty, \$2.95"), and stand or sit around chewing over the day. The girls, Wanda and Gloria, are bright with them all.

"So how come you guys are so nice?" I ask Gloria. I'm up ordering that Chicago dog for Carla. Electric-green Vienna relish and all.

"Well, Pete's created a real good feeling here," Gloria says. "So we really try. Besides, employee of the year gets to go skydiving with him. Right, Pete?"

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"I took a big swig and thought, 'This is nasty. I'm never drinking wine again.'"

Kevin Kozak, co-founder of the recently bonded La Jolla Canyon Winery, did not grow up drinking wine, seeing it incorporated into family meals as naturally as bread. Nor did his first encounter with the grape provide a rapturous epiphany. Kozak, a beer drinker from Maryland, was attending the ag school at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. "In the beginning of my senior year, some girls got some jug red wine. I took a big swig and thought, 'This is nasty. I'm never drinking wine again.'"

It was the gardening aspect of wine that got him. "Towards the end of senior year — seniors don't have that much to do — we went on a tour of the Finger Lakes wineries." The Finger Lakes wineries manage the harsh winters of upstate New York by planting their vineyards in the microclimates created by the narrow glacial lakes that give the region its name, and the rows of vines rolling down the hillsides to the water's edge make for a seductive vista. "I saw the setup of the grape-growing and thought, 'I love this.' I didn't know anything about it, but from the first or second winery, I thought, 'I could do this. This is what I want to do.' Then I started drinking good wines, and I said, 'Okay, there's a difference.'"

Life got in the way a bit. Kozak was in ROTC and spent the next five years in the Navy; home

beermaking was the closest he came to wine. It wasn't until 1995, when he got out of the Navy, married a local girl, and settled down, that he started messing around with wine. "The first thing I did was a kit wine, a Gewürztraminer. It

was drinkable, but without the grapes — kit wines are made from grape concentrate. "There wasn't any excitement to it. It wasn't an art." The following year, he joined the throng of amateur winemakers traveling to Don Armstrong's Pauma Valley vineyard to buy Carignan. "That was

my first real red from a grape, and it came out pretty good. After that, I was grasping for straws — 'Where do I get grapes?'"

He imported a few vines of Cayuga White, a hardy Cornell-developed hybrid, and planted them in the front yard of his home in Mira Mesa. "The wine actually won second place in the non-*vinifera* white competition at the San Diego County Fair." (Nearly all commercial varieties are of the species *vinifera*.) "But," he concluded, "the grape doesn't have that much character."

The Fair introduced Kozak to the San Diego Amateur Winemaking Society; again, his first contact was less than auspicious. "The first year I was there, I saw that all the people who had won awards were sitting at the same table. I thought, 'These guys are all in cahoots with the judges. But really, they were all in the Society, and they were

the best winemakers in town." Kozak investigated, liked what he saw, and discovered Society mentor Lum Eisenman's wine-making manual. "I've actually taken excerpts from that and taped them into another book I use. When I lose my mind — when it's really stressful, and I'm adding things, and I forget things — I check the excerpts and say, 'Good. Lum would have done that.' You can't go to a better place than the Society to share wine stories and learn things."

Kozak was becoming a very good amateur winemaker, but there was still the problem of getting fruit. "There are more grapes out there than anyone's going to be able to make wine from," he notes. For Kozak, the trick was finding the very best local fruit. Most Temecula wineries didn't want to sell to an amateur winemaker looking to buy a couple hundred pounds. Bill Filsinger at Filsinger Vineyards & Winery was the exception, and in addition to selling him small batches of reds and whites, the winemaker/owner let Kozak hang out and watch. "He really got me rolling, but it was kind of a slow progression, like an addiction type of thing."

Eventually, he latched on to some Cucamonga Zinfandel, but before that, membership in the Society helped him discover Mike Dunlap's Merlot Vineyard in Escondido. He spotted it from across a valley while visiting a nearby home and was duly impressed. (Dunlap's is easily one of the prettiest, most immaculate home vineyards I have ever seen.) "I was, like, 'Wow, this is re-



Early Kevin Kozak wine label featuring daughter's artwork

ally cool.' That was one of the first years he had grapes, and he sent out an e-mail to everybody saying, 'Is anybody interested in my Merlot?' I said, 'Yeah.' My neighbor Fred and one of my buddies from work and I went over and picked." (It is also perhaps one of the most carefully managed. "He's an accountant," explains Kozak, "and he's got records for every day. During this year's harvest, he was sending out e-mails, saying, 'Oh, the acid is dropping! The wine is going to be terrible!' Everyone was telling him, 'Don't worry. The acid on every grape here is going to drop as the sugar goes up. You just add it back.' I've never made a wine grown around here, or Temecula, where I haven't had to adjust the acid. It just doesn't happen.")

Dunlap's vineyard provided the fruit for one of Kozak's more successful experiments, a white Merlot. "Dry white Merlot is drinkable, but it's almost too tart. It's not all there. I added back

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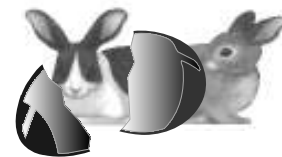
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sweetness with a very old technique. The French call it a *suisse reserve*. Before I fermented the juice, I took some of it and put it in milk jugs. Then I put the milk jugs in the freezer, so it wasn't doing anything." "Anything" here means fermenting due to yeasts brought in on the grape skins and mashed into the juice during crush. "A couple of months after fermentation was done, I took some core samples of the frozen juice to check for the sweetness, then dumped what I needed into the wine. I stabilized it with polysorbate, which keeps the yeasts from budding and multiplying, and then I filtered. If you don't do those two steps, it will ferment in the bottle," with potentially explosive results. "Technically, it's much more difficult to make than a red wine."

Red wine — dry red wine — is what Kozak prefers, but the white Merlot taught him a lesson in pleasing the consumer. "It won the Best Rosé at the '03 San Diego County Fair, and it's the favorite wine of a lot of our friends. I go to parties and people say, 'Can I buy some of that?'" ■

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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NORTH COASTAL

The Armenian Cafe 3126 Carlsbad Boulevard (at Pine), Carlsbad, 760-720-2233. At this large cottage with a year-round heated sundeck overlooking Highway 101, the menu offers Armenian specialties cooked with a Lebanese accent as well as generic Middle Eastern crowd pleasers, including gyros made from scratch. Lamb shish kebab is the house specialty, a "loss leader" featuring tender premium lamb cubes with assertive seasonings, grilled over gas. Even better are distinctive dishes from the owner's family recipes: his mom's Lebanese *kibbe* (a large, glorified nut-filled lamb meatball) is outstanding, as is her *kashta lea* dessert — an exotic nutmeg sponge cake fragrant with rosewater syrup, topped with pistachios and thickened cream. Dinner platters constitute a full meal, including a great "Armenian salad" and a tasty dip for the meat, along with less-than-great egg-lemon soup, pilaf, and pita wedges. Wine list is dreary but corkage fee is reasonable. Three meals, Tuesday through Sunday. Live music and belly dancer weekend nights and Sunday brunch. Moderate to slightly expensive. — N.W. (8/03)

California Bistro 7100 Four Seasons Point, Four Seasons Resort Aviara, Carlsbad, 760-603-6868. The restaurant features fresh California cuisine in a beautiful, luxurious hotel dining room. Open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Reserve for the Friday night seafood buffet (5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.), which includes cooked seafood, sushi, and sashimi. Moderate to expensive. — E.W. (7/00)



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290 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-943-9612; also in Vista at 248 Main, 760-758-4531. Enticing aromas of fresh tortillas and fragrant frijoles greet you as you enter this busy little *taqueria*, where the food's cooked in the style of Tepatitlan, a small city near Guadalajara. Its local specialty is *carnitas* — which Juanita's does up (by the plate or by the pound) as tender, non-greasy shreds, served with fresh, cilantro-laden mild tomato *salsita*. Standard wraps are fine, too, and the beans taste as good as they smell. Try a "Flying Saucer" — it really takes off, with shredded meat, onions, mild chiles, beans, sour cream, shredded orange cheese, and puréed guacamole riding high on an airy crisped flour tortilla. Quick and good, open daily, three meals until 2 a.m. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/01)

Kealani's 137 West D Street, Encinitas, 760-94-ALOHA. Tucked between a 7-Eleven and a pizzeria, with an exterior sign that says "Saimin" (for Hawaii's version of Top Ramen), this island of the Islands prescribes "Living Da Aloha Spirit." A ukulele player sometimes serenades the noonday crowd at the sidewalk tables, and at any hour the food is "plate lunch" — two scoops of short-grain rice, mild house-made macaroni salad, and a choice of authentic "grines." Don't miss the outstanding kalua pig, zesty, smoky shreds of *imu*-style roast pork, resembling a moister version of Southern "pulled

pork." The menu covers the whole panoply of island standards, from *malasadas* (Portuguese donuts) to *musubi* (Spam sushi), with a Saturday special of a luau's worth of "local food." While you're waiting, check out the droll Hawaiian vocabulary lessons under the glass tops of the tables. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

Rosanna's Italian Deli and Trattoria 806 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-942-0738. Long-time deli Rosanna's has grown into a full-service restaurant. The chef-owner couple, Jean-Louis and Rosanna Martin, are from France and Venice respectively, but their menu covers the map of Italy, with dishes from nearly every region. You can't go wrong with pastas like *rigatoni alla norcina* or the lighter-than-usual *lasagna della casa* done in Bolognese style. Save room for one of the ethereal custardy desserts, perhaps a *panna cotta* or *bavarese*. Best seats in the house are on the front and back patios — even Highway 101 is quieter than the charmingly rustic but rickety interior. Vegetarian friendly, with nearly 20 meatless pastas and pizzas. Wheelchair access to rest rooms requires help. Lunch and dinner daily. Pastas and pizzas low moderate, entrées upper moderate. — N.W. (12/03)

Roxy Natural Foods Restaurant 517 North Coast Highway 101 (at D Street), Encinitas, 760-436-5001. You don't have to be a Self Realization Fellowship follower to fit in in Encinitas, but it helps. Roxy was made for the veggie crowd who've grown up around the famous seaside compound. These days, that includes surfers, vegans, and even visiting Hollywood stars picky about their food. Actually, it is no longer

strictly a vegetarian eatery: the owners have added chicken and fish for Encinitas's "new people" — the carnivores buying up property in the hills. But the vegan-veggie spirit still rules. Most popular item on the menu is owner Shahram Naimi's own invention: the scrumptious Roxy falafelburger. Its green "meat" is made from garbanzo beans, potatoes, onions, cilantro, and herbs, all bedded down with tomatoes, a thick mat of sprouts, and melted cheese, covered by a whole-wheat bun. For chicken-lovers, the garlic chicken pizzas sell big-time. Other healthy treats include the three-egg avocado omelet with toast, the artichoke sandwich (with marinated artichoke hearts), and the squash enchilada dinner (steamed banana squash with corn, bell peppers, and low-fat cream cheese in a flower tortilla). Payoff? You come out feeling good and full, not bad and bloated. Open daily, brunch through dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

St. Germain's Cafe 1010 South Coast Highway 101 (at I Street), Encinitas, 760-753-5411. Despite the Parisian name, the food here is all-American. Omelets are the cafe's best-known dish — 14 variations of three-egggers (or Eggbeaters by request) served with toast or a muffin, plus tasty herb-strewn "café potatoes" or fresh fruit salad. But don't overlook the Belgian waffles, scrambles, pancakes, Louisiana sausages, or the three versions of expertly poached eggs Benedict with genuine hollandaise. Sandwiches run to hearty American classics (including some veg choices), and along with beef burgers, turkey burgers, and veggie burgers, there are no fewer than six twists on lean charbroiled chicken breast on a burger bun. The sheltered patio is always crowded, but there's a large interior dining room

with a separate smoothies-and-ice-cream bar. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

The Original 101 Diner 552 First Street, Encinitas, 760-753-2123. This is where the caviar crowd from Rancho Santa Fe comes to remember their roots. It's got all the deliberately down-home cooking you could want, including all-day breakfast ranging from really cheap biscuits and sausage gravy to a pretty cheap top sirloin steak and eggs. For lunch, the bacon-cheddar burger with fruit is a good surprise combo. The turkey-cranberry salad sandwich is also good, and try the spinach salad, with bacon, feta cheese, olives, mushrooms, and chopped egg. Even though this 101's vintage (1983) in no way compares with the Oceanside 101 Cafe's (1928), it has become a genuine part of Encinitas life — lines on the weekends will tell you that. Open breakfast and lunch; closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/04)

Vivace Four Seasons Resort Aviara, 7100 Four Seasons Point, Carlsbad, 760-603-3773. If you ever wished to eat like the Medicis did, here's the place for it. This lovely hotel-restaurant at a gorgeous resort showcases Italian *haute cuisine* which is simpler and more natural than the French equivalent. You'll find inventive combinations of first-class ingredients, skillfully executed and beautifully presented with none of the culinary clichés of the "mamma mia" joints. Reservations urged. Valet parking free for diners. "Casual-elegant" — no hats, shorts, or tennies — but room may be painfully noisy if patrons get too festive. Dinner seven nights. Four-course tasting dinner a relative bargain, but wine list may blow the budget. Moderate (pastas and risottos) to very expensive. — N.W. (8/03)

When In Rome 1108 South Coast Highway 101 (at Encinitas Boulevard), Encinitas, 760-944-1771. This elegant restaurant offers three dining areas and a menu with outstanding appetizers and pasta dishes. There are many unusual preparations. Gorgeous presentation; warm, friendly service. A winner. Dressy-casual crowd. Open for dinner nightly. Expensive. — E.W.

NORTH INLAND

Bamboo Hut Black Mountain Village, 9172 Mira Mesa Boulevard (one driveway west of Black Mountain Road), Mira Mesa, 858-348-0414. You'll find a taste of Hawaii in a strip mall in a neighborhood that's all-mall. The bright little "hut" has bamboo chairs, a bamboo ceiling, bare floors, and unclothed tables, with a sushi counter next to a tiny kitchen with a roaring gas grill. A large lattice awning offers outdoor seating a few steps from the door. The quality of the food is all over the map, though — this is not the place to try your first Spam sushi. The seafood sushi is good, though, including a fine Rainbow Roll with really sweet crab; the more creative rolls run to cream cheese and hot sauce. "Local food" choices include a tasty ahi *poké* and excellent chicken *katsu*; the *kalbi* short ribs are tough, though. Plate lunches include one to three entrées (priced accordingly) with steamed or mildly garlic-flavored rice, macaroni salad, and green salad with bright orange dressing à la Kraft French. Be sure they deliver what you ordered; there may be slipups. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive. — N.W. (8/03)

Centre City Cafe 2680 S. Escondido Boulevard (frontage road along Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-489-6011. In the quiet little "motel row" just north of Lake Hodges, this cute, friendly café serves classic American diner food, including all-day breakfast. The chicken-fried steak is exemplary, with a crackly batter-crust and a smooth, peppery cream gravy. Several cuts of USDA Choice steaks are offered at rock-bottom prices, and early bird dinners and daily specials offer amazing bargains. You can eat inside, in a coffee-shop ambience, or chow down on the dining terrace in front. Open daily, three meals. Huge portions, low prices. — N.W. (9/03)

Chieu-Anh Vietnamese Cuisine 16769 Bernardo Center Drive, Suite 10 (Rancho Bernardo Town Center), Rancho Bernardo, 858-485-1231. This very pretty restaurant in an attractive Asian-themed mini-mall offers South Vietnamese specialties rarely found in the North Inland area. Not all dishes on the lengthy menu are equally successful, though. Among the best are the "royal egg roll" wrapped around a shrimp, the pineapple-sweetened "tangy and sour" soups, the tender roast Cornish hen with Five Spices seasoning and the catfish clay pot with herbs. The crêpes are a good bet, too. In salads and stir-fried dishes, though, the kitchen may overcook red meats until tough, and sauces can be heavy with cornstarch. Incidentally, don't look for *pho* on the dinner menu — it's served at lunch only. Numerous vegetarian choices. Lunch Tuesday through Friday; dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (9/03)

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Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-738-9805. This is a Mexican restaurant with a difference — or two. The setting is a gorgeous restored Old California-style hacienda set on two acres, including a verdant courtyard (complete with fountain) for fair-weather dining. The menu is also a leap upward from standard fare. Señora Vega offers authentic Mexican cuisine cooked in the sophisticated manner of Mexico City, her hometown — not border-food compromises. You'll find an array of fresh and interesting appetizers along with a wide choice of serious entrées featuring complex, delicious sauces. Each dish is seasoned to the optimum spiciness for its overall flavor — this is not the land of the bland. The Sunday all-you-can-eat brunch offers a whole sampling of goodies brought to your table, with refills as desired. Three vegetarian entrées and a kiddie menu available; casual atmosphere. Full bar specializing in margaritas, of course. Open daily, lunch (or brunch) and dinner. — N.W. (9/03)

Onami Japanese Restaurant 240 East Via Rancho Parkway, North County Fair, Escondido, 760-738-7522. This Japanese buffet offers everything from miso soup and sukiyaki to a host of salads, including several variations of *sunomono* (cucumber salad). Then there are teriyakis, sashimis, and a plethora of sushi rolls. Among the winners are the California roll with *masago*, tempura shrimp roll, guacamole roll, and Philadelphia roll. Skip the dry egg rolls and head for the corn crab cakes, teriyaki chicken, tempura shrimp, and veggies. Desserts offer fresh fruits, bite-size cake options, and go-back-for-seconds green tea ice cream. The food is fresh, the presentation artful, and the staff friendly and efficient. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Expensive. — S.M. (8/04)

San Diego Artisan Bakers 1551 S. Escondido Boulevard (at 15th), Escondido, 760-740-5963. This European-style bakery specializes in hearty, handcrafted, slow-fermented breads made from natural ingredients including certified organic rye and whole wheat that are stone-ground at the bakery. Pick up their brochure for the schedule of when each of the 24 breads they bake will come out of the oven. Recipes are from France, Italy, Germany, and the U.S. These loaves have textures and depths of flavor you'll never find in supermarket-bakery breads. And for breakfast or a snack, there's nothing better than settling on the front porch with a cup of espresso and one of the moist and chewy scones. Open Monday through Saturday, morning to late afternoon. Inexpensive. — N.W. (9/03)

The Place: El Parque 2659 Reche Road, Fallbrook, 760-731-2775. Just think Little Red Riding Hood — this is Grandma's place. Okay, it's not a little old, thatched cottage — it's a cream-painted metal shed with a gazebo in front. But it is in the Live Oak woods, and you can sink your teeth into some pretty fair Mexican food here, sitting alongside an interesting bunch of agricultural workers and maybe some ruby miners. Good combination plates include the tostada and beef taco, and burrito and enchilada. The time to be here is Sunday morning, when those aggies pour in here for the *menudo*, cooked in a three-foot-high pot. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/04)

Wine Sellar and Brasserie 9550 Waples Street #115, Mira Mesa, 858-450-9557. This is the sister restaurant to Laurel, and the food is a delight to the palate. Lunch on Saturday served by itself or in conjunction with the wine tasting. Call for directions and specific hours. — E.W.

GOLD COAST

Pamplemousse Grille 514 Via de la Valle, Solana Beach, 858-792-9090. The locals' favorite French provincial restaurant offers exquisite, creative cooking. Favorites from an often-changing menu include fresh crab salad with avocado and tomato coulis, white fish served any style, mushroom *cap-pucini* soup, and *tarte Tatin*. Serene atmosphere with excellent service. Dinner reservations urged. Dinner nightly,

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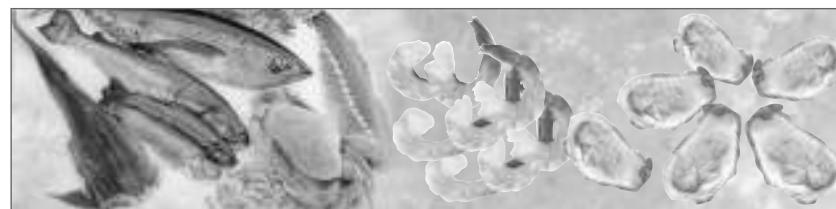


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Pizza Port 135 North Highway 101 (at Lomas Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-481-7332. (Also in Carlsbad.) “Tasty Grub & Grog,” says the sign, and that’s just what it is. You come here for three things: the pizzas, the beer, and the scene. The place is cavernous, but the tables are communal, with long wooden benches. Rub shoulders with surfers, students, yuppies, and locals. Pizza Port brews their own beer (try Sharkbite Red) and flings their own pizzas, New York style. Filling combos can be great, like the pesto, mesquite-grilled chicken, sun-dried tomatoes, artichoke hearts, and feta (“Pizza Carlsbad”), or shrimp, clams, onions, olives, bell peppers, and mushrooms (“Pizza Solana”). Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Ruth’s Chris Steak House, Del Mar 11582 El Camino Real (exit Carmel Valley Road), Del Mar, 858-755-1454. First-rate appetizers, steaks, chops, lobster. You can make a meal from the crab cakes and smoked salmon platter. Outstanding desserts, large enough for two or more. For more romantic atmosphere, take elevator upstairs. Not as noisy as downtown. All vegetables à la carte. Dine early during racing season. Open 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Very expensive. — *E.W.* (6/00)

LA JOLLA

Azul La Jolla 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-9616. The unobstructed ocean view and opulent interior are glamorous. Cuisine is Mediterranean with California influence. Menus change daily. When available, try pan-seared scallops and the outstanding asparagus soup, not dupli-

cated anywhere. Fresh fish and seafood. Moderate to expensive. — *E.W.* (7/99)

Come On In! 1030-B Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, 858-551-1063. Clunky name, but suave Euro-bistro feel with outside tables under trees. This is your escape to “Paree” anytime you can afford La Jolla. Actually, they keep the price of breakfasts — like two “plain and simple” steamed eggs with fresh fruit and toast, or the “Popeye” omelet, with spinach, Parmesan cheese, prosciutto ham, and diced tomato, fruit, and toast — down to a small roar. Course, everybody in this neck of the woods is trying *not* to eat, so expect lots of fruit plates and healthy lunch sandwiches like roasted eggplant with zucchini, bell peppers, tomatoes, and mozzarella. Inexpensive to moderate; dinners a little more expensive. — *E.B.* (4/03)

Donovan’s Steak and Chop House 4340 La Jolla Village Drive, Golden Triangle, 858-450-6666. At this excellent traditional steakhouse, the menu includes a variety of appetizers, among them a cocktail of giant shrimp with a spicy, tomatoey sauce and a large, lightly sautéed crab cake with house-made tartar sauce. The wet-aged prime beefsteaks are seasoned with sea salt and pepper and cooked on a gas grill precisely to your order. Bleu cheese, béarnaise and peppercorn sauces are available at extra charge. Non-beef entrées include fish, seafood, veal chop, pork chop, or a delicate Australian rack of lamb. Unlike many steakhouses where your money buys only the meat, entrées are served with vegetables and potato. Additional à la carte sides include creamed spinach and sautéed mushrooms. Among the house-made desserts the highlights are a light, creamy cheesecake with fresh strawberry sauce and a traditional creme brûlée. The service is attentive, friendly, and knowledgeable, in a masculine setting with dark wood-paneling, dim lighting, and only a moderate noise level. Cigar room off the bar. Open Mondays through Saturdays. Very expensive. — *N.W.* (9/02)

Great Khan’s Mongolian Festival 4545 La Jolla Village Drive (University Towne Center), 858-678-0950.

This is a chain that stretches almost as far as the Mongolian Empire, but that’s because the idea is good. One meal, plenty of it, and guaranteed fresh because it’s either frozen (curled shavings of beef, chicken, turkey, pork) or raw (veggies including cabbage, celery, broccoli, cucumber, green peppers, carrots, mushrooms, pineapple, water chestnuts). Stuff as much as you can into your bowl and hand it to the chef to braise on the huge hotplate, and add noodles. Bonus: gallery view of skaters or an ice hockey match while you eat. Open breakfast through dinner weekdays, earlier closing weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/04)

Sante Ristorante 7811 Herschel Avenue, La Jolla, 858-454-1315. The name is Italian for “saint,” and the Northern Italian/regional cooking shines here, especially the fish and seafood dishes. Fresh seafood specials are available every night, in addition to those on the menu. Excellent chopped salad, pasta with mushrooms, ravioli with quail, and lamb chops. Separate room for bar; separate private dining room. Lunch weekdays; dinner nightly. Enclosed patio for lunch. Not to be missed. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *E.W.* (4/99)

Tapenade 7612 Fay Avenue, La Jolla, 858-551-7500. This is not only one of the finest restaurants in the county but in the country. Featuring sunny Provençal flavors, famed chef-owner Jean-Michel Diot offers superb seasonal ingredients treated with the consummate ease of a master chef. Among the special joys here are a sophisticated *foie gras torchon*, luscious free-range veal, and top-quality seafood, with garnishes that display an impressive balance of venturesome creativity and rigorous technique. Desserts are worth the calories, matching the style and flair of the earlier courses. And you don’t even have to dress to the nines for your first-class dinner — the sixes will do in the easy bistro atmosphere. Serving lunch (including a moderate two-course prix fixe) and dinner daily, including bargain-priced three-course prix fixe “sunset dinners” weeknights. Otherwise,

expensive to very expensive, and worth it. — *N.W.* (9/03)

MISSION VALLEY
& THE MESAS

Boo Cho Korean Barbecue 7905 Engineer Road (a block east of Convoy), Kearny Mesa, 858-573-2585. What sets Boo Cho apart from other Korean barbecues is that wood charcoal rather than gas fuels the tabletop grills — proving easier to control as well as lending more flavor. The *galbi* (short ribs) here are outstanding, with tender meat and a subtly sweet marinade, and the *hae mui pa jun* (mixed seafood pancake) is moist and light. As at all Korean restaurants, with any diner you’ll receive numerous small plates of relishes and vegetables (called *pan chan*), lending a multitude of flavors to the meal. But since Korean diners are traditionally served all at once, if you want a first-course soup or appetizer, order it separately, and when it arrives, order your main course. (Table room can get skimpy once the grill gets going.) The menu includes three “family combination dinners” but they’re written in Korean; if interested, ask the owner or manager to translate for you. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch and dinner; Sunday dinner only. Moderate. — *N.W.* (11/03)

China Max 4698 Convoy Street (at Engineer), Kearny Mesa, 858-650-3333. The decor is plain and bright, the sound-level loud, but this is a major resource for authentic Hong Kong cooking — creative and multi-regional, filtered through the refined wizardry of the genuine Cantonese style. The seafood aswim in the live tanks includes such delicacies as black cod (bony but wonderfully sweet), Dungeness crab, and (if you’ve got the money) abalone — but even inexpensive, homey dishes (e.g., wonton soup, crabmeat cakes) sing with flavor. The exemplary crispy squab and Peking duck must be ordered at least a day in advance, but you’d better call ahead anyway for reservations to avoid a wait

at the door. A Pan-Asian community throngs here, for good reason. Lunch weekdays, dinner seven days, with lunch menu returning nightly from 9 p.m. to midnight. Inexpensive to exorbitant, but mainly moderate. — *N.W.* (1/04)

IKEA Restaurant & Cafe 2149 Fenton Parkway, Mission Valley, 619-283-6166, ext.1200. Central shrine for San Diego’s 10,000 Swedes, so they say. They come to taste open-faced sandwiches, salmon, shrimp, and meatballs again. This restaurant inside Sweden’s wildly successful “home interiors” chain is a great intro to Swedish tastes. The food’s more sensible than exciting, of course. But healthy — beef and pork for the meatballs are guaranteed hormone-free. You eat the meatballs with Swedish lingonberry (not cranberry) sauce. Fish is big: the shrimp open-faced sandwich, the salmon plate with potatoes and broccoli, and the Gravad Lox Plate (cured salmon), are always on. And if you want to be disgustingly healthy, chew on their fresh vegetable plate (raw carrot sticks, cauliflower, garbanzo beans, and mushrooms). All for a song. The only health hazard: hordes of babies and kids romping in the restaurant’s mother-friendly play area. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

Seoul B.B.Q. 4344 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-505-8700. This Korean restaurant means sitting before a sizzling cast-iron grill, sipping hot sake, the smell of grilled beef, grilled onions, and fresh garlic in the air. Try the “Korean B.B.Q.” marinated short ribs (*tong galbi*) or thick marbled slices of sirloin (beef *gui*). You’ll enjoy all the accompanying dishes that make the meal, like crunchy seaweed salads, radishes in garlicky tomato sauce, slow-cooked potatoes with soy sauce and jalapeño pepper. Feeling adventurous? Go for the goat meat hot pot or Korean steak tartare (*yukhwoe*). This is sensual, elemental, hairy-chested food. — *M.N.* (12/99)

Tropical Star 6163 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont, 858-874-7827. A modest café and grocery offers Puerto Rican and Latin American food and groceries.

Very modest surroundings; good authentic inexpensive food. Same menu all day Monday through Saturday; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.W.* (8/99)

THE BEACHES

The Australian Pub 1014 Grand Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-273-9921. A great place to take your kids after a morning at the beach. This relaxing pub, owned by a true-blue Aussie, offers heaps of good Aussie food. Try the Road Kill (grilled chicken breast with pico de gallo sauce and cheese “run over” between 2 pieces of sourdough) or the Aussie Burger (1/2-pound patty, with a fried egg, cheese, bacon, grilled onions, beets, pineapple, and a side of steak fries). And for an “outback experience,” order up Vegemite (a beefy kinda paste) and four slices of bread — it’s the Aussie national food, mate. Open Mondays through Thursdays, lunch and dinner until midnight; weekends breakfast through dinner until 1 a.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (10/01)

Broken Yolk Cafe 1851 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-270-YOLK (9655). Breakfast PBers love this place for three reasons: its sundeck, its 26 different four-egg omelets (which you can split with your partner, no extra charge), and the challenge of omelet #27. The dozen-egg “Broken Yolk Café Special” comes stuffed with a mountain of mushrooms, onion, cheese, chili, plus home fries and biscuits. If you can down it in an hour, pay just \$1.98 — you’ve got huevos. If you can’t, the yolk’s on you — pay around \$17. My advice: split a 4-egger. Open 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (2/04)

The Fishery 5040 Cass Street, Pacific Beach, 858-272-9985. Pacific Shellfish Seafood Company founder Judd Brown got his start as a commercial fisherman. He doesn’t fish anymore, but he does everything else — supplying product to top-tier restaurants, retailing glistening speci-

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The French Gourmet 960 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach, 858-488-1725. In the mood for pâté, ratatouille, or calf's liver in a homey atmosphere? Make a reservation at The French Gourmet's *toute suite*. Start off with traditionally prepared

escargots or mussels. The onion soup is good, but hope that the soup du jour is gingered cream of carrot. Entrées include rack of lamb, veal tenderloin, bouillabaisse, and fish, with several preparation choices for chicken or filet mignon. The pan-roasted halibut is gently enhanced with a champagne *beurre blanc* sauce and topped with crispy braised leeks. Desserts abound, with an imported French cheese plate topping the list — along with pastries, meringues, etc., all freshly prepared in house. Open for dinner Tuesday through Saturday; bakery open daily. Moderate to expensive. — *S.M. (9/04)*

Gringo's 4474 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-490-2877. With better cooking than you'd guess from its name, this ambitious spin-off of the local Moon-doggies chain serves the sort of Mexican cuisine you might find at a seaside resort in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta — skillfully prepared with good, fresh ingredients, just a bit dumbed-down in the flavors. The chile verde, say, is

beautifully seasoned if barely *picante*, and the luscious *camarones borrachos* are big white shrimp cooked just till done and not a moment more. Given the surefire location at the hub of PB partytown, the food is actually better than it needs to be. A vast list of tequilas, interesting margaritas, and a sensible wine list emphasizing affordable, food-friendly Chilean bottlings add to the draw for a lively young crowd that revs the decibels to a roar on weekends. Open daily. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/02)*

Hancock St. Cafe 3354 Hancock Street, Loma Portal, 619-296-2060. If you spot Marilyn, Elvis, and Lady Liberty waving at you from the sidewalk, you're here. They are life-size fiberglass lookalikes, but Mario is real, and his restaurant is a living shrine to jazz pianist Herbie Hancock. Mario has pianos, guitars, and drums inside — even a little stage where you're often welcome to perform. The food? Italian home cooking. Mario is from New York and knows his pasta. You can

usually expect a good-value special, like spaghetti and meatballs. Sometimes he'll even throw in a bottle of red wine. Here among the little factories and auto shops of Loma Portal may be San Diego's most popping cultural phenomenon. Worth investigating, even if you just want to eat. Open Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/04)*

Lamont Street Grill 4445 Lamont Street (between Grand and Garnet), Pacific Beach. 858-270-3060. PB's most romantic restaurant serves California comfort food, punctuated by bold and sometimes strange Mexi/Asian/Cajun flavors, in a rambling converted residence with several rooms and levels. Dinners come with soup or salad, and many entrées are served over marvelous house-made fresh pasta. Salmon over fettuccine in a delicate dill cream sauce is especially fine. The huge array of desserts is house made, too, with something for every palate. The most desirable tables (available first come, first served) are

on a lovely fireplace-heated patio. Wheelchair ramp and parking in small lot behind restaurant (call ahead and they'll save you a spot). Homey atmosphere; can get loud. Affordable wine list, full bar. Open daily, dinner only. Moderate. — *N.W. (2/03)*

Saska's 3768 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach, 858-488-7311. Venerable, local steak-and-seafood joint that tries harder, from the broth-thin homemade teriyaki sauce (sweet up front, fading to bitter ginger) for the well-cooked (if mild-flavored) fish to the cut-on-the-premises aged beef. The interior's low wood-slat ceilings, driftwood beams, dim light, and red-leather booths combine with the stay-up-late kitchen to make the space feel like a cozy haven, a respite from the brighter buzz of Mission Beach. The wine list runs the gamut from Cook's sparkling wine to Cristal champagne, stopping along the way at an interesting (if expensive) collection of reserves. Next door is the restaurant's serviceable sushi bar (858-488-7255)

and two-story patio dining. Open seven days; lunch weekdays, brunch and lunch weekends; dinner until 1 a.m. weeknights, 2 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Sushi bar open nightly, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Moderate. — *A.M. (8/02)*

Umi Sushi 2806 Shelter Island Drive (at Shafter, off Scott), Point Loma, 619-226-1135. An instant neighborhood success, this large, cheerful sushi bar and dinner house also offers Japanese and Korean entrées, including *teppanyaki* (cooked in the kitchen, not at the table), Korean ribs, and excellent beef teriyaki of gently grilled prime beef. Sushi highlights include lemongy *ama ebi*, rich garlic tuna, and a "Crazy Boy" roll spicy enough to divert your palate from the presence of imitation crabmeat. Free parking lot (often full). Special kids' menu available. Lunch and dinner daily. Sushi prices lower than most; entrées inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (4/03)*



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RESTAURANTS

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Antique Row Cafe 3002 Adams Avenue (at 30th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-9750. Antique-land's favorite eatery is a serious exhibit in its own right, especially if you're into sports memorabilia. Look for signed photos of Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, Joe DiMaggio (all googly-eyed with Marilyn) on the walls. The word for the food: generous. All-day breakfast dishes include "The Works" omelet, stuffed with bacon, sausage, ham, bell peppers, onions, tomatoes, and cheese bulging over a big oval plate along with skins-on breakfast potatoes. "Philly Steak Heaven" (you choose: steak, ham, or turkey) is one of the more popular lunchtime dishes. Night choice: baked stuffed salmon. Three meals weekdays, breakfast and lunch weekends. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

Chicken Pie Shop of San Diego 2633 El Cajon Boulevard, North Park, 619-295-0156. How much do people love this place? Count the chickens lining the walls — ceramic, wood, beaded, painted, even feathered. Hundreds. They're gifts from generations of customers. Now, as in the 1930s when it started up, the basic chicken pie comes filled with big chunks of chicken meat, doused with white gravy and accompanied by mashed potatoes, veggies,

coleslaw, a roll, *and* dessert — like the delicious pineapple pie — all for one really low price. The menu also offers fried chicken, burgers and steaks, but 90 percent of customers still order that same old chicken pie. Seven days. Cash only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

Kensington Grill 4055 Adams Avenue, Kensington, 619-281-4014. This spiffy spot in an old, staid neighborhood proves change can be good, delivering intelligent, inventive cuisine. Preparations follow the convention of contrasts in sophisticated cuisine — sweet vs. salty, soft vs. crunchy, hot vs. cold. From the complexity of grilled salmon over pea greens, baby lettuces, sticky rice, and jicama slaw, to the tradition of lamb loin, Kensington Grill proves a talented, hardworking kitchen. Open for dinner nightly. Moderate. — *M.N. (8/99)*

Red Sea Restaurant 4717 University Avenue (at Euclid), City Heights, 619-285-9722. You'll find richly seasoned (and potentially very spicy) Ethiopian cuisine, served communally on a tray lined with a porous pancake, *injera*, which looks like an edible dish towel and serves as both an edible spoon and an edible tablecloth. (Use pieces of it to scoop up morsels in your right hand.) The meat combination platter here isn't nearly as exciting as several of the specialties. The *kitfo* (spicy beef tartare) is very good, the *gored-gored* (meat cubes in spicy butter) is excellent; both are cooked (or not cooked) to your order, and seasoned to your specifications (if you say "hot," expect fire). Vegetables are fine, too; the yellow split peas, especially, sing with flavor. Rest rooms not wheelchair-accessible. Vegetarian-friendly. Can be noisy on weekend

evenings. Open daily. Very inexpensive. — *N.W. (12/00)*

EAST COUNTY & COLLEGE AREA

Geno's West Coast Style Barbecue 291 West Main Street, El Cajon, 619-444-3667. Geno's a real guy, a refugee from corporate America who turned this ex-Taco Bell joint into a surfing-themed BBQ place. He's a surfer but he's serious. He has won lots of prizes for his BBQ sauce, using a chili pepper he says nobody else has. There are three strengths: "Round-up" (mild), "Giddy-up" (spicy), or "Stamped" (hot). Try #5, pulled pork and slaw, or #9, shredded beef, melted jack, and sautéed onions. Sides like dirty rice and cornbread are good, but if you're light of pocket go for the "Ripcurl" hot dog, the best deal on the menu. Open for lunch and early dinner six days, closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

Sham Rocks Shack Bar & Grill 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (at 70th Street), La Mesa, 619-463-2263. It has the feel of a pub: nice solid-wood furniture, pool tables, dart boards, big open kitchen in back. Most of all, people know each other. As for the food — yes, there's a little bit of Ireland, like the corned beef sandwiches, but mostly it's all-American pre-health-craze cholesterol city. Denver egg omelets with home fries, Philly cheese steaks, spaghetti and garlic bread, hamburgers, jalapeño poppers, steak and eggs, and of course fish and chips. Presentation's old-fashioned, too: heavy white dinner china plates and sturdy cutlery, as long as you agree to "please don't

steal the forks." But Irish? Well, think James Joyce on a surfboard. Food from noon to 8 p.m., Sunday special brunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kitchen is closed on Mondays; the bar is open. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

Stone Ground Coffee Works 8278 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-698-4217. If the odd ghost doesn't bother you, this light-fare eatery (located beneath a reputed ex-house of joy) is a great place to bring your book or laptop, slurp coffee, and munch. The food is basically sandwiches, soup, salad, but it's all good and homemade. Try the turkey, avocado and bacon sandwich on dark squawbread, or the toasted tuna melt with tomato, cheese, and avocado. Half-sandwiches available. Other pluses: the owner's arty (she painted the whimsical tabletops and plays the hammer dulcimer) and she has a resident lady ghost who's dying to meet you. Breakfast and lunch daily except Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (2/04)*

Toshi Sushi 5943 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area, 619-287-3536. Don't ask what's in the "dynamite" sauce (besides the obvious mayo and smelt roe) — it's a house secret, one the restaurant dangles before you in numerous contexts. Try it baked onto the rich, everything-goes Garbage Roll, where deep-fried shrimp, freshwater eel, and tuna add flavor to the creamy-crunchy interplay of sauce and vegetables. Rolls, both plain and elaborate, abound here. While some can be heavy on the rice and light on the fish, others are triumphs. The Toshi Tempura Special Roll takes battered whitefish and wraps it around the seaweed casing, which is then filled with just-cooked whitefish and a host of garnishes — an exotic-yet-honey fried-fish alternative.

The Johnny Roll shows octopus at its most tender, but watch out for spotlight-hogging sweet cream cheese. The simpler sushi can vary — a brilliant, translucent slice of tuna offset by a blander, duller salmon. Japanese entrées are also available. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/02)*

Village Garden Restaurant and Bakery 8384 La Mesa Boulevard, La Mesa, 619-462-9100. The Garden is part of what makes La Mesa Village great. Its vine-covered garden patio is wonderful on warm evenings. The decor inside is kind of grandma-ish, lots of green and white, with flower-shaped lamps sprouting out of overhead fans and brass rails with momsy curtains between the booths. It's bright and cheery. And so are the prices. This is traditional fare: creamed chipped beef on toast, sandwiches, a dozen different omelets, salads, and eight "signature" "big game" burgers. Maybe the best thing is their bread. Big, tender, and baked right there. Two must-haves: the Country Boy Sampler (a mix of Virginia baked ham, chicken, and dumplings), and a take-home loaf of their apple-nut bread. One sniff and you're gone. Evenings, catch the early bird special. Great deal on the three-course meal plus drink. Open breakfast through Sunday, breakfast and lunch Monday to Wednesday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

FAR EAST

Bernard's The Mall (way in back), 503 Palm Canyon Drive, Borrego Springs, 760-767-5666. Owner Bernard Hess must be from Alsace, on the

French-German border — who else would offer both frog's legs in garlic sauce and a tasty, credible *choucroute garni* (sauerkraut and smoked meat casserole, including house-smoked pork chops)? At this local favorite, the space divided between a convivial bar and a dining room with lunch-counter and booth seating, the menu includes German, French, and truck-stop U.S. classics — *schnitzel* side by side with chicken-fried steak. The waitresses know most patrons by name, and the patrons walk in already knowing what they're going to order — mainly the Alsatian specialties. Wine list runs to third-rate Californian, but there's an affordable Trimbach Riesling (and beer works with this food, too). Open daily, brunch to dinner. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (4/03)*

Mediterraneo 1347 Tavern Road (Alpine Creek Shopping Center), Alpine, 619-445-9902. The vibe in this tasteful little trattoria (with adjoining bar) is young, and so is the chef, still slipping new dishes into a menu stuffed with local favorites. The theme is Tuscan-American, shrimp *involtini* alongside applewood-smoked pork salad (the latter, especially, is a smoky, nutty, tangy hit). The pizzas are outstanding — such a lovely, airy, silken crust! Such wafer-thin rounds of pepperoni! Entrées change with the seasons. Desserts are big and sweet. When the weather's fine, dine on the patio and watch the sun drape light over the piney hills. Daily, lunch and dinner, plus Sunday brunch. Expensive. — *A.M. (12/03)*

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UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Bombay Exotic Cuisine Of India 3975 Fifth Avenue (between University and Washington), Hillcrest, 619-298-3155. We're talking northern India here, right? That means lots of lamb, potatoes, creamy sauces, tandoor-baked breads, chicken, and less of the south's mouth-scalding heat. At least in its daily buffet, Bombay's a lot less spicy, (though their *sag paneer* — creamy, cheesy spinach — delivered a surprising punch). The buffet includes tandoori chicken, assorted *pakor*as (lentil-batter fritters), mock duck, chicken *tikka*, and, if you hit the right day, an addictive mango soup. If you want meat or spicy food, best to order from the menu — say, a creamy *tikka masala* with lamb, or long kebabs of minced lamb (kebab curry), or the rich Bombay Coconut Malai. Tell them whether you want it mild, spicy or, for leather-mouths, *tikhi*. For a cheap, light meal, try a couple of lamb *samosas*. And be sure they bring the chutneys, India's real unexplored treasure. Lunch and dinner; buffet at lunch and Monday evenings only. Sister restaurant, Monsoon, 729 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-234-5555. Moderate. — E.B. (4/03)

Brians' American Eatery 1451 Washington Street (near Lincoln), Hillcrest, 619-296-8268. Also at 7947 Balboa Avenue (off Convoy), Kearny Mesa. Note the apostrophe: Not one but two Brians have taken over what had been Topsy's, a venerable coffee-house/eatery for 40 years. They've done a good job of cleaning it up without gutting the fifties roadhouse character. It's open all night on weekends, and late night is quite a scene. But for a lot of people, breakfast is the thing. The Brians' 8-ounce charbroiled top sirloin steak with eggs and country potatoes is a great Saturday morning treat. Or the "Hey Ricky!!!" omelet with chorizo, avocado, green chilies, onions, and cheeses. Or ask for their off-menu breakfast special — it's always cheaper. Another good thing: You get a pitcher of iced lemon-water, and coffee comes by the Thermos-full. Three meals until 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday; open 24 hours from early Friday morning until Sunday evening. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/02)

El Agave 2304 San Diego Avenue (at Old Town Avenue), Old Town, 619-220-0692. Reservations recommended. Wheelchair access difficult (steep ramp). You'll find upscale, unusual Mexican specialties in an intimate Spanish-style dining room or on a small heated balcony. The menu celebrates three great pre-Hispanic cuisines — Aztec, Mayan, Nahuatl — with discreet admixtures of France, Spain, and Italy. (It's the history of Mexico on a plate.) Among the highlights are the five different Oaxacan moles (plus a sixth from Chiapas), Yucatecan-style venison, local sea bass in tangy jamaica (hibiscus) sauce, and a unique appetizer, *tlacog*os *cuitlacoche*, ovals of blue corn masa topped with a sort of "mushroom" that grows on corn ears. (In English it's called "corn smut," but it tastes much nicer than that sounds.) The bar stocks over 600 tequilas and makes a food-friendly on-the-rocks margarita with fresh fruit juices. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (2/01)

El Indio Mexican Restaurant 3695 India Street, midtown, 619-299-0333. El Indio, "the god of Mexican food," presides over this bustling (expect a line), airy restaurant in an atmosphere of pale blue 1940s solidity. The menu includes the usual suspects (burritos, tacos, etc.), plus slightly less common items (chicken mole, *machaca*, *chile rellenos*). Excellent house-made corn tortillas help the

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standard fare to better approximate the divine. So do the sublime core flavors of the meats — the chicken in the taco, the pork in the *carnitas verdes*, the beef in the enchiladas. The *carne asada* sports a pleasant char, and the beans have a raw-beany intensity. Less heavenly: seasonings (especially paprika and salt) tend toward the heavy side. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — *A.M. (11/01)*

El Zarape 4642 Park Boulevard, University Heights, 619-692-1652. This stylish little Mexican restaurant on a tony stretch of Park Boulevard is proof that not all taco shop food is equal. Try a shredded beef or chicken taco or tostada and you'll know what we mean, with their generous mounds of juicy, slow-cooked meat. Many enjoy their unusual scallop burritos, vegetarian potato-filled burritos and rolled tacos, and well-prepared soups. We go for the stewed meat. El Zarape is dependable, serving Mexican with solid, home-made, handmade flavor. Three meals daily. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (1/00)*

The Gathering 902 W. Washington Street (at Goldfinch), Mission Hills, 619-260-0400. Be prepared for surprises: the owner-bartender is a professional magician who occasionally enjoys entertaining his diners and hosts shows with aspiring amateurs during Happy Hours Thursday through Sunday. This neighborhood favorite is comfortable with a *Cheers* atmosphere at the bar. Live jazz on Friday nights. Open daily, three meals, including Sun-

day brunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

The Grill 420-E Robinson Avenue, Hillcrest (near Fouth, opposite Crest Café), 619-683-7725. You get no clue from the name that this tiny place is Armenian and comes with a live mesquite fire to cook everything from corn on the cob to *afi* (ground beef with onions, tomato, parsley, and garlic). Shrimp, mahi, salmon, filet mignon, and chicken are served up on beds of rice, in wraps, or on salads, along with "Mediterranean" standards like hummus, baba ghanoush, and tabbouleh. Don't leave without trying the delicious corn, cooked directly on the embers. Lunch and dinner seven days; closes at 7 p.m. Sundays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (2/04)*

Lotus Thai 3761 Sixth Avenue (at Robinson), Hillcrest, 619-299-8272. Also at 906 Market Street, Gaslamp, 619-595-0115. Ironically, the best dishes at this idiosyncratic, vegetarian-friendly Thai-Chinese restaurant involve char-grilled beef (e.g., *saté*, beef salad) featuring a tender cut in a tangy marinade. From the long list of house specialties try the lively pineapple-cashew fried rice, the chile-fierce "Crazy Duck" salad, or the savory (if slightly dry) "three-flavor" whole fried fish accompanied by a garlic-chile-fruit jam. Appetizers, though, are mainly greasy-fried wraps, and too many dishes are oddly bland (even when they're spicy). The flesh components (shrimps, chicken, etc.) all taste like they've been parboiled in plain water and tossed into the pot at the last minute, with nothing left to give to or gain from the sauces — so if you crave soup or curry, you're best off with the elaborate vegetarian versions. Lunch

and dinner daily. Low moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

Parallel 33 741 W. Washington Street (at Hawk), Mission Hills, 619-260-0033. Southern China, Pakistan, Algeria, Morocco, et cetera — are all on the 33rd parallel. This ethnoblend restaurant in Mission Hills is a hit for shrewd, thoughtful creativity. It's not just "fusion food." Try the superb mango and ahi appetizer. Entrées like grilled salmon atop lobster tabbouleh or sea bass sauced with sake lees show that chef Amiko Gubbins, of Café Japengo fame, knows what she's doing. Dinner Monday through Saturday. Moderate to expensive. — *M.N. (10/99)*

Shakespeare Pub & Grille 3701 India Street (at Washington), South Mission Hills, 619-299-0230. Probably the most convincing English pub in town. The Bard's brew-house boasts bare-board floors, diamond lead-glass windows, and authentic Brits sitting around the bar quaffing ale from their own pewter mugs. Pub grub is bluff and plain-spoken. Shepherd's pie, bangers and mash, ploughman's plate (the pickled onions and cheese, Scotch egg, and Branstion pickle make it the real thing) — all are great with a pint of rich English beer, say a Boddington's Pub Ale. Sunday's roast beef dinner is worth dragging yourself out of bed for, too. The pub includes a shop that sells British goods. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

Trattoria Positano 142 University Avenue (at Third Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-6995. This younger sister to its namesake restaurant in Cardiff-by-the Sea is sure to be one of your favorite restaurants, not only for hearty but refined Italian food, but also for the warm atmosphere. Try sea bass, salmon, or

any of the pasta dishes. A treat. Lunch and dinner daily. Upper moderate. — *E.W. (5/99)*

DOWNTOWN

Brickyard Coffee and Tea 675 West G Street, downtown, 619-696-7220. The problem, if you're rich enough to live in the Marina District, is the lack of café life. That is, until this modest little eatery and café settled in next to the tracks by the Seaport Village trolley stop. You sit under eleven poplar trees in a brick patio that has one unusual downtown advantage — except for the wind sifting through the poplars (or a trolley pulling in), it's completely silent here. Sipping coffee and reading your paper is the thing here, but you can fill up, too, with items like "Texas chili," or grilled cheese and tomato sandwich with a cup of chili, or spinach and mushroom quiche with a small Caesar salad, or *panini*. You can also order half a sandwich — turkey, ham, beef, or tuna — with a cup of soup or Caesar salad. It's the nearest thing to a French country café. Open early morning till 3 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/04)*

Cafe Cerise 1125 Sixth Avenue (at C Street), downtown, 619-595-0153. The name is French for "cherry," and although the café's logo looks more like a cherry bomb, this craftsmanly kitchen is no dud. Chef-owner Jason Seibert seems blessed with an instinct for deciding what goes with what, and in what proportions. His daily-changing Euro-Cal bistro menu emphasizes fresh, in-season produce and plenty of slow-cooked comfort foods, prepared honestly from scratch. Don't miss the

day's choice of house-made pâtés or sausages, the herb-stuffed organic chicken, or the fish *en papillote*. There's an adventurous, affordable wine list and a full bar. The modest bill for such an indulgent feast is the cherry on top. Lunch weekdays; dinner Thursday through Saturday. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (5/04)*

Dobson's 956 Broadway Circle, downtown, 619-231-6771. This reputable downtown restaurant offers class and comfort, geared for people who enjoy eating well. The food is good, often very good, as with chicken liver mousse pâté, Mediterranean blue mussels, ciutote steak, and, when available, the crude but virtuous soft-shell crab. Their sweets, such as brownies and bananas Foster strudel, are hefty, louché, and cheap. Bring a date to the upstairs dining room. Dobson's is suave, its confidence infectious. Moderate to expensive. — *M.N. (10/98)*

Fleming's Steak House & Wine Bar 380 K Street (at Fourth), Gaslamp, 619-237-1155. Original branch at 8970 University Center Lane, University City/Golden Triangle, 858-535-0078. A steakhouse for ladies who power lunch, an "old girl's" club, or just a happy place where the term "a nice piece of meat" isn't a bad thing? The mahogany of the "old boys" steakhouse genre gives way here to cheery cherry wood. When you get the fried cheese, it's brie, rolled in panko bread crumbs and slivered almonds. And the wine list boasts far more than just burly Cabernets and Bordeaux — over 100 of the far-flung offerings are available by the glass and you can assemble your own three-glass tasting flights. Prime steaks are the main event, perfectly cooked and well-seasoned. Try the Key Lime pie for dessert — custardy and full of

limey bite. Valet parking. Dinner nightly. Very expensive. — *A.M. (3/04)*

Gen Lai Sen Hakka Seafood Restaurant 1065 12th Avenue (at C Street), downtown, 619-239-5478 or 619-239-5479. Across the street from City College, you'll encounter a split personality. The good twin provides superb Hakka dishes, a style developed by a nomadic people originally from northwest China, now residents of mainly the south China coast. The bad twin dishes out gluey cornstarch-ridden stir-fries for starving students. But it's easy to tell which twin is which: The "chef recommend sizzle plates," the hot pots that taste like home cooking (best ordered by four or more), the greaseless fried rice, the noodles (especially "house special rice noodles"), and the whole steamed fish-of-the-day are palatable hits. And if you really want to know what the fuss about Hakka is all about, try the sizzle plate stuffed tofu — these deep-fried crisp rectangles with a pork meatball inserted in each tender center resemble meat-flavored roasted marshmallows, and may just change your mind about bean curd. Open brunch through dinner daily, 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Pleasant service, very casual, mainly inexpensive. — *N.W. (10/01)*

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E.B. (11/00)

Napa Valley Grille 502 Horton
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Osteria Panevino 722 Fifth Ave-
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daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to
expensive, wines rather high. —
E.W. (4/00)

Rice Hotel W, 421 West B Street (at
State Street), downtown,
619-398-3082. The "W" has dropped
its corporate food-consultant menu
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N.W. (10/04)

Sally's on the Water Manchester
Grand Hyatt, 1 Market Place (Market
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or the tender salmon *en crouste*. Among
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Sixth Avenue Bistro 1165 Sixth Avenue (at B Street), downtown, 619-239-4194. This charming, airy café offers some very credible New Orleans-style cooking at affordable prices. Among the sandwiches are an outstanding oyster po' boy (with big juicy oysters and good light batter) and a fine, fully-packed approximation of a *muffaletta*, albeit with a kaiser roll standing in for Central Grocery's big, round Italian bread. The mix-it-yourself jambalaya is tasty, too, even if kiel-basa proves a lame substitute for *chaurice* or andouille. Wine and beer. No reservations, breakfast to early dinner (closes 8 p.m.). Inexpensive. — *N.W.* (3/01)

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Strip Club 340 Fifth Avenue (at J Street), Gaslamp, 619-231-3140. This grill-your-own steak joint is a homage to Golden Hill's Turf Supper Club — but if Turf is a low-budget indie cult film, Strip Club is the Gaslamp's big, brassy, high-budget Hollywood remake (even though prices, like those of movie tickets, are roughly the same). It's loud and handsome, and if the USDA Choice steaks (available in numerous cuts) are not quite as flavorful as Turf's, they're still good enough for the price — and you can take them up a notch with numerous spice blends and sauces on hand at each gas grill. Other choices include burgers, chicken breast, ahi tuna steak, and meat or seafood kabobs (the shrimp is particularly good, with peppers, onions, and meaty hunks of Portobello mushroom). Entrées come with salad and puffy, cook-it-yourself garlic bread, resembling hamburger buns with gigantiasis. Six veg and starch side dishes (including two types of gluey mashed potatoes) are available at extra cost; desserts are

commercial ice cream novelties. Casual, no reservations, street-patio dining available. Over 21 only, no minors even with adult accompaniment. Diners Tuesday through Sunday nights, open late on weekends. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W.* (11/02)

Vida Cart Corner of Fifth Avenue and Island Avenue, downtown. (No phone.) This is the kind of street scene you would find in New York or San Francisco. Daniela, an artist from Bulgaria, started this evening-to-late-night food cart right under the historic Chinese Callan hotel. The idea was: extra cash between paintings. It has evolved into a late-night meeting spot for artists, students, chefs, and new downtowners looking for street-life. Friends and strangers sit around until 2 or 3 in the morning arguing about art, politics, and life in a town that's not used to staying up. Her staples are coffee, sodas, jumbo hot dogs, hot links, corn dogs, pretzels, and nachos. But her seven-inch pizza is as good as a meal, and the clincher is she has a fenced-off seating area where you can talk and watch the scene. And at Fifth and Island there's always a scene. Open Wednesday to Sunday 6 p.m. until 3 a.m. or so. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (5/02)

SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

Azzura Point Loews Coronado Bay Resort, 4000 Coronado Bay Road (Silver Strand Boulevard), Coronado, 619-424-4000 or 619-424-4477. The quietly luxurious dining room with a serene bayfront view is romantic and a bit dressy, but far from stuffy. It's not just for tourists, but a lovely evening's getaway for locals. The California-French cuisine with an occasional Hawaiian touch emphasizes seasonal ingredients in slightly unexpected combinations. Along with a multi-course

chef's tasting menu and à la carte dishes, a "sea spa" dinner showcases fresh seafoods in healthful preparations. A good wine list at reasonable markups is strong on half-bottles. Free valet parking at the porte cochere of the main lobby. Dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Very expensive. — *N.W.* (11/01)

Bay Beach Cafe Ferry Landing Marketplace, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619-435-4900. The dinner menu here has California's typical dumbed-down world-appetizer array, plus salads, pastas, grilled meats, a few sauté items and children's plates. The restaurant is very family-friendly (full o' kids, actually), with a menu that appeals to the young in mouth: The chef seems to have a sweet tooth, since almost every dish involves honey or sugar — from the table butter that's intriguingly flavored with a honey-basil mixture to the "teriyaki" ribs in a glutinous Karo-like sauce. Your server will tell you about the day's fresh-fish selections, which are more attuned to adult palates with fresh, fine-quality seafood done simply and well. Ultra-noisy inside when crowded; reserve for the lovely terrace with a view of the beach. Open daily, lunch and dinner, with weekend breakfast. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W.* (8/01)

Chula Vista Farmers' Market Center Street (between Del Mar and 3rd), Chula Vista, 619-237-1632. Most folks come here for flowers, fruit, lucky bamboo, and olive oil. But the food tents give the event its smell and soul. What's here varies, but try Argentina's national snack, empanadas, at the Argentinean Gourmet tent. They come with chicken, spinach, corn, or, of course, beef. Chicken-chutney tacos from Zia's (of Zia's Afghan Café) are rich. The savory California Super Crêpe (with bacon, avocado, and cheese) from Tunisian-run La Crêperie's tent fills you nicely. Also try their wicked "Summer Blush" strawberries and Grand Marnier crêpe. Cheaper here? No. Medieval market atmosphere? Definitely. 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Thursdays only. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (2/04)

L'Escale Coronado Marriott Island Resort, 2000 Second Street, Coronado, 619-435-3000. Probably the pink

flamingos and bay views bring you here first. But L'Escale ("Port of Call" in French) delivers to the taste buds too. For "Northern Mediterranean cuisine with California flair," read lots of pasta, fish, salads, sandwiches. Try the grilled salmon *niçoise* salad with its richly sauced fish, crunchy green beans, red potatoes, strong olives, and rosemary-flavored bun. Entrées like grilled chicken and mushrooms in parmesan cream with penne pasta are safe enough. Or bone-in filet mignon with black pepper zinfandel sauce. But for sheer architecture, check out the tuna salad sandwich wrapped in lavosh: three vertical Armenian bread tubes, angle-sliced to reveal interiors of tuna and greenery. Eat on the pool and bay-surrounded patio if you can. Breakfast, lunch, dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *E.B.* (2/03)

Miracle Mile Delicatessen 980 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6655. Back East meets Out West. New Yorker Jack Grodzinsky started the first Miracle Mile in Phoenix in 1949. The cream and maroon colors, the cafeteria tray-on-rails system, and the cabbage-gravy smell tell you this is a cold weather comfort-food station. They're generous with dishes like meat loaf, stuffed cabbage, and roast chicken. The counter guys also make hot sandwiches (pastrami, corned beef, beef brisket, barbecued chicken) or cold (honey-cured ham, roast beef, tuna). Best deal? For many, the roasted turkey. A fresh-cooked bird arrives every evening except Sunday. Come right after 4 p.m. to get first carvings and tons of fixin's. Prices? For Coronado, pretty reasonable. Open lunch to early dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (1/04)

Rhinoceros 1166 Orange Avenue (at Loma Avenue), Coronado, 619-435-2121. This bright, hectic bistro next door to the Lamb's Players Theatre draws pre-theatre crowds as well as locals — and that may be a problem, since the rushed pace of service doesn't abate even after the playgoers have departed. Perhaps that's why there are few appetizer choices (as though to discourage diners from spending extra time at the table). You may even be charged a "split

plate" fee for sharing a first course despite ordering individual entrées. Meat and fish choices are simply prepared with ingredients of ordinary quality and generic veggie accompaniments. Why, then, is Rhino so popular? Pasta (and nothing but pasta) is the answer — that's where the kitchen shines. Very noisy when crowded; street tables are slightly quieter despite heavy traffic. Reservations advised for weekends, pre-show dinners. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W.* (7/01)

Spiro's Gyros Ferry Landing, 1201 First Street #4, Coronado, 619-435-1225. The food, the music, the view — are we outside Athens? Is this the Aegean? This inside-outside Greek café is located at the water's edge, and the heated patio has a spectacular view of San Diego, the bay, and the boat traffic. At sunset, sipping their excellent Greek wine (cheaper than their California), watch the sun set the city ablaze in gold. The prices keep Spiro's popular with the locals as well as tourists. Try the moussaka (eggplant casserole) or the souvlaki chicken, marinated in *tzatziki* sauce, served with tomatoes, onions, and pita bread. Open seven days until 8 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (11/00)

Tango Grille Argentine Steak House 635 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-420-0384. Play *gaucho* and enjoy the most authentic Argentine *parrillada* (mixed grill) in town at this charming, warmly decorated bistro about two minutes from the Chula Vista Shopping Center. Fine, smoky wood-grilled Colorado beef appears in several unusual cuts (including succulent steak-cut short-ribs). You can choose from two different mixed grills (sized for one or two), the first with conventional meats, the other — the more adventurous — includes organ meats and blood sausage. For starters, there are brilliantly seasoned mini-empanadas of amazing lightness, as well as several interesting salads. Those not in a grilled-meat mood can opt for numerous pastas (including a big, meaty lasagna) or the ubiquitous *milanesa* (breaded beef or chicken patties) of the pampas. Portions are more than generous, and so

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Village Pizzeria 116 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-522-0449. In the back, Mootime Creamery makes all its ice cream. In the front, Mootime owner David Spatafore decided to set up what he's always wanted: A cheap, back-east Italian, red-and-white-tablecloth, dangling Chianti bottle eatery where local families and amateur sports teams can come in and pig out. He wisely didn't destroy what was half of the famous old Mexican Village. Instant atmosphere! Ancient murals of guys with guitars serenading señoritas, arches, illuminated clusters of red grapes. The bad news: You might have to handle pumped-up kids' sports teams cramming the booths around you. The good news: Great calzones, pizza by the slice, and he sells Mootime ice cream cheaper than Mootime. Open lunch through dinner, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/04)

Ye Olde Plank Inn 24 Palm Avenue, Imperial Beach, 619-423-5976. The last true beach pub on the coast? It's a great mix: biker jackets, ZZ-Top beards, shaved heads, Navy vets, Air America jocks, surfers, and sometimes half of Hollywood seems to turn up. Food's pretty much always available, but the must-eat is their unbelievable weekend brunch. You get a 6- or 8-ounce steak (your choice, or substitute six sausages or ham or a pork loin), plus a one- to ten-egg scramble (or any style), home fries, and a pick-me-up drink (like a Bloody Mary, Screwdriver, Salty Dog, Bud, or Coke) from the bar, all at a standard coffee shop breakfast price. No wonder the place has stayed open since 1886. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

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Cafe Francais La Belle Claude Calle Galeana #8186-A (at 7th Street, two steps off Revolución), Tijuana, 685-3415. Maybe it's no surprise: the most French-like *patisserie* of all is in Tijuana. La Belle Claude, named after the owner's daughter, looks far too expensive, but it's not. Inside it's a light and airy place, full of beautifully varnished wood, almost like a ship's saloon, with little Eiffel towers painted here and there, Victorian ceiling fans and lamps, and a counter of display

cases stuffed with cookies, artily frosted cakes, cheeses, and sodas. The menu is authentic too, offering such light dishes as *Le Croque Monsieur* (open-faced sandwich on honey bread with ham, grilled Swiss cheese, and béchamel sauce), the *Croque-Madame* (same as the "Monsieur" but with an egg), and *salade niçoise* (tuna, anchovies, tomatoes, cucumber, potatoes, egg, onions, and black olives). You can even order a *Provençal* omelet (zucchini, eggplant, tomatoes, and onions). Unusual bonus: the round cheeses, Cornish hen eggs, fresh vegetables, and honey on display all come from the owner's own farm, Rancho El Eden, beyond the Rodriguez dam. Open every day. Inexpensive. — E.B. (5/02)

D'Stefano Pizza Restaurant Carriño Puerto #7835 (at 3rd Street), between Martínez (D Avenue) and Mutualismo (E Avenue), three blocks west of Avenida Revolución, 638-4309. Evening around nine is the best time to come, when groups are in here carousing with *tarros* and pizza. *Tarros* are giant mugs that hold *caguamas* (large "sea turtle" bottles) of Tecate beer. There's plenty of good standard Italian food to go along with it. You can pay a little — for basic dishes like spaghetti or lasagna — or up to around twenty dollars for a "gigantic" pizza. Inexpensive. Midday to midnight, seven days. — E.B. (2/04)

El Cid Lopez Mateos #993 (just off Blancarte), Ensenada, Baja, 646-178-1809. This restaurant is at the heart of the tourist district, but the cooking and service are way above coach class. Look to the "Specialties" section of the huge menu for the most interesting selections. Crisp quail with rose petal sauce (famed from *Like Water for Chocolate*) proves outrageously delicious, and the seasonal *chiles en nogada* (meat-stuffed poblano chiles with walnut-cream and pomegranate) gain refinement from greaseless ground sirloin. Fish dishes are fresh, rich, and tender, and you'll find nine different ways to enjoy a steak. If you can handle a tableside production number, crêpes with *cajeta* (caramel sauce) makes a very grand finale. Fully bilingual staff; English menus available. Sidewalk patio dining available. Reserve for weekends during tourist peaks. Full bar, with excellent margaritas, Baja wines. Open daily, continuous service breakfast through dinner. Moderate. — N.W. (4/03)

El Faro de Mazatlan Boulevard Sánchez Taboada #9542, Plaza Financiera, Zona Río, Tijuana, 684-8882, 684-2236, or 684-8883. This fish and

seafood restaurant offers a gorgeous dining room, an extensive menu with English translations, and fresh fish and seafood items which include abalone, squid, crab, clams, shrimp, and lobster. The atmosphere and service are lovely, but the fish may be too dry. The style of cuisine will appeal to those who prefer simple preparations. The price of the main course includes an appetizer (fried fish plus ceviche), seafood soup, and Mexican rolls. Open daily, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m., same menu for lunch and dinner, continuous service. Moderate. — E.W.

El Galeon (Puerto Nuevo) One street before you reach the oceanside street market, one block south of Calle Entrada (the entry road), and two doors north of Calle Salida (the exit road), Puerto Nuevo. This is a lively, comfortable spot with a good ocean view for scarfing down Puerto Nuevo lobsters or other local fish or seafood, including whole fishes cooked to order at a bargain price. Downstairs boasts an open kitchen and a cozy bar with a partial sea view. Upstairs there's a breezy terrace with a full sea view. The jokey staff speaks excellent East L.A. English, and the cooking is decent — for instance, the melted substance served with the lobsters is about half real butter, half the ghastly local Kitchen Maid "spread." Bilingual menu and staff. Full, extensive bar. No reservations, cash only. Three meals daily. Low moderate. — N.W. (10/02)

Hacienda de la Tia Juana Canaco Building, next to the Wax Museum, Avenida México (First Street), at Madero, downtown Tijuana. The elegance of this place, named after a border rancho, is a bit of a surprise. It's slap-dab in the middle of raucous (now-pedestrianized) First Street (also known as *Avenida México*), the route for those of us who have to walk from the border, surrounded by taco and beer joints eager to relieve you of your last buck. But here, under white umbrellas in the courtyard, you wouldn't be ashamed to bring your grandma. It's all filigreed wrought iron, triple-tier fountain, pigskin barrel chairs, quality flatware — with good value meals. A chorizo and potato omelet makes a great breakfast, as does the *poblano* omelet with chili and corn. Lunch and dinner food is *bis- tec ranchero* standard, but don't get picky. You're here for the feeling, to escape TJ as much as to visit it. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/04)

Mr. Fish Blvd. Agua Caliente #6000, Tijuana, 686-3603. Also at City Hall, Palacio Municipal (at Paseo del Centenario and Avenida Josefa Ortiz de

Dominguez), Río District, Tijuana, 682-8020. The sign is showing its age and the concept (exotic middle-class restaurant in the middle of a parking lot) seems dated, but two-decade-old Mr. Fish is still serving good fish food. Ask for the Spanish-language menu if you can handle it — it's far more extensive than its poor English cousin. Sit outside under the palm thatch if weather permits. All the basic dishes are good, like octopus in white wine, Lucifer's Oysters with white sauce and smoky chipotle chiles, or the Mr. Fish Combination: half a lobster, fish, shrimp, and calamari. Probably the most popular gringo choice is mahi mahi in lemon-pepper sauce, but consider ordering with *salsa eneldo* — dill sauce. Also interesting: seafood fettucine "a la Gorchachov" (with vodka) and anything (such as the lobster Mr. Fish or thermidor) with the signature *salsa blanca*. It'll remind you of something (could it be Rubio's?). Open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days. Moderate. — E.B. (12/04)

Rica Torta Niños Héroes Avenida #890, between 2nd and 3rd Streets (opposite Dorian's department store), Tijuana, 685-8579. This café may have the best *tortas* (call them Mexican-style hamburgers) in Tijuana. Six-inch rashers of marinated *carne asada*, slices of ham, squares of cheese, chopped salad, tomato slices, fresh-scooped avocado...it's a double-wide, double-high burger. The menu has 16 different kinds of *tortas*, from chorizo with eggs to beef-steak ranchero, all served in huge, three-ribbed, crisp-toasted Mexican bread buns. There's other stuff, but to a burger buff, one of these is quite enough. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

D'Lish Pizza and Pasta 2470 San Diego Avenue, Old Town, 619-296-6969. Here in Old Town, at least, D'Lish gets a lot of custom from people who are Mex'd out, foodwise. This growing chain has always prided itself on its Italian/California pastas, pizzas, and salads. Now Old Town (along with Poway) has gone carnivorous, adding marinated flank steak and a rib eye to the "bistro entrées." If you're ordering the flank, well-done is a no-no. That will toughen it. But a rare flank is, well, d'lish in its marination and especially its pesto-like *chimichurri* sauce. Also good: fire-roasted vegetables pizza, where the quick roasting

makes for great-tasting, Technicolor-bright broccoli, zucchini, eggplant, and bell peppers. And "Mediterranean chicken salad" works well, partly thanks to the tang of pepperoni chips. A big part of the appeal of the Old Town D'Lish branch is the charming patio it occupies, with gas lamps, hanging flowers, and a fountain. Oh, and if you're not all-Mex'd-out, they've added a *carne asada* burrito and other border-food choices. Other branches at Chula Vista (386 East H Street, Suite 211, 619-585-1371); Eastlake Village Center South (2260 Otay Lakes Road, Suite 101, 619-216-3900); Poway (12265 Scripps Poway Parkway, 858-693-3636); and San Diego (5252 Balboa Avenue, Suite 101-B, 619-277-9977). Moderate. — E.B. (8/02)

Heidi and Bernie's German Bratwurst Tent North Park Thursday Night Market, North Park Way (between 29th and 30th Streets), no phone. Also Scripps Ranch Saturday Morning Market (10380 Spring Canyon Road) and La Jolla's Sunday Morning Farmers Market (at Genter and Girard), 619-588-1288. Heidi and Bernie have kept it simple — just a blue-and-white square tent with a table and chairs. The menu is simple too: "Bratwurst Sausage in a Bun, Kosher Polish sausage, Louisiana Hot Link, Smoked Turkey and Chicken Sausage with Artichoke and Roasted Garlic, Hot Dog, Double Double Burger," and "Single Burger." But you know from Bernie's authentic Bavarian background that these sausages are the real, earthy thing. And the sauerkraut is sweet. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

Sammy's Woodfired Pizza It's not Italian or New York pizza, it's...San Diego pizza! The crusts are Californian: thick and slightly sweet. The toppings range from ordinary to exotic. The menu includes many salads and a handful of American-Italian entrées. Continuous service, same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily. Inexpensive. 702 Pearl Street, La Jolla, 858-456-5222; 770 Fourth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-230-8888; 8650 Genesee Avenue, Costa Verde, 858-404-9898; 12925 El Camino Real, Del Mar, 858-259-6600; 1620 Camino de la Reina, Mission Valley, 619-298-8222. — N.W. (7/04)

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Field of Seven

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Busy week, quite apart from the mountainous task of reducing the Field of Sixty-Four to the Sweet Sixteen. If a movie wants my full attention, it would be wise to steer clear of March Madness. My divided attention:

The Upside of Anger. Said anger belongs primarily to the mother of four daughters ranging

in age from high school to college senior, and secondarily to the four daughters, after the husband and father absconds with his Swedish secretary. The mother takes solace first from a bottle of vodka (three bottles per shopping trip), and then from her next-door neighbor and new drinking buddy, a former Detroit Tiger and current talk-radio host. The daughters, three of them still residing under the family roof, are a persistent handful. Joan Allen, in something of a tour de force, and something also of a tour de farce, really does convey the juggling act, the balancing act, of multiple motherhood; and yet at the same time there's an element of circus spectacle in the performance, aggravating the domestic disharmony, drowning out the accompaniment, hogging the spotlight. Evan Rachel Wood, Erika

Christensen, Keri Russell, and Alicia Witt make up an attractive brood, even beyond mere appearance. And a slightly goofball Kevin Costner, a Detroit Tiger in *For Love of the Game* as well, has beneficially chased away his chronic clouds.

The writer and director, Mike Binder, is a member of the cast, too, as Costner's radio

producer, an average guy with average looks and average needs and average scruples, and in that role Binder is convincingly average. Behind the camera, he aspires to much more. (A good deal more, certainly, than in such undistinguished earlier credits as *Blankman* and *Indian Summer*.) Gripped by the American terror of dullness, keeping one eye on his cast of characters and the other eye on a hypothetically squirming audience, he maps out his plot and hones his dialogue as if he were racking up points on a pinball machine, with all attendant flashing lights and ringing bells. He wants to make an impression, and immediately he wants to make another. (He will not even balk at a fantasy of an exploding head.) Such a quest for constant diversion can hardly help but produce sporadic diversion,



The Upside of Anger

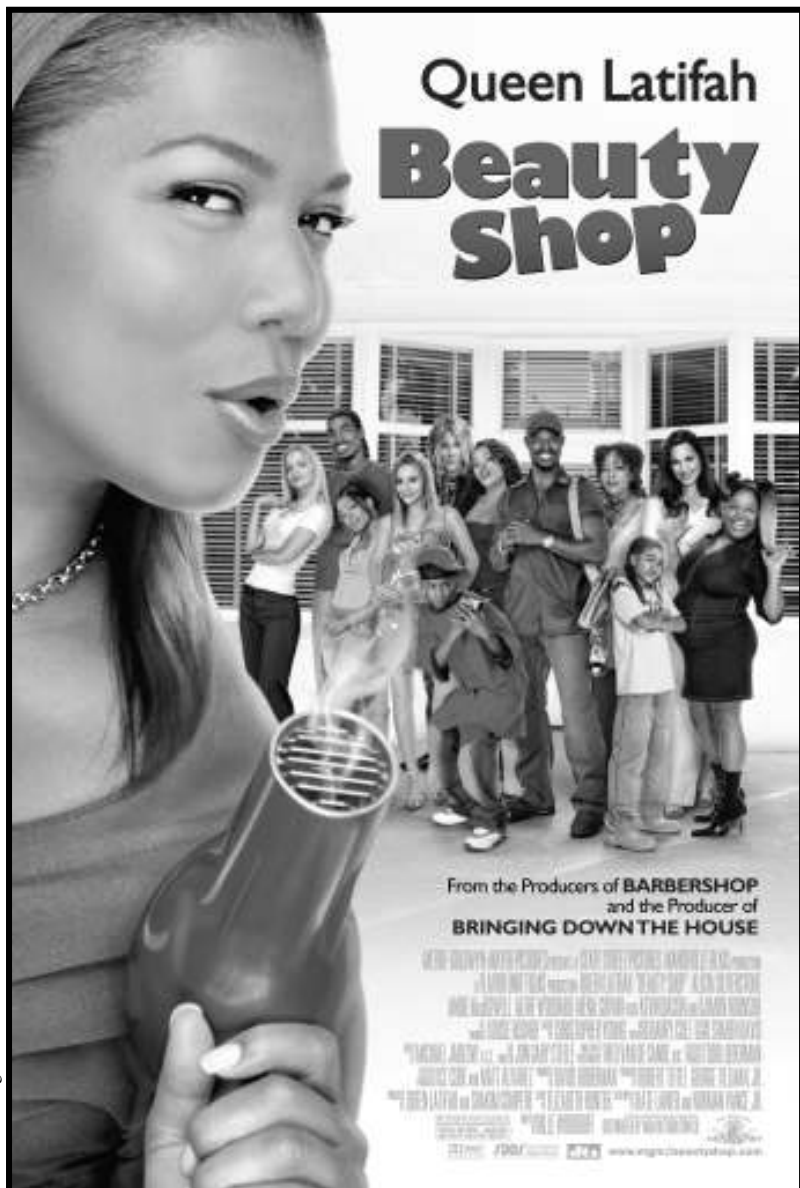
roughly on a par with subpar James Brooks.

The Ring Two. For the sequel, director Gore Verbinski has handed over the franchise to the man who made the Japanese originals, Hideo Nakata. He, perhaps a bit too close to the material for too long, seems to presume that the spectator will have committed the previous chapter to memory, or, if

not, will be satisfied with an incoherent series of crisply photographed creep-outs. The spectator should indeed be satisfied with at least a couple of highlights: a herd of aggressive computer-generated stags (same software, it would appear, used by The Hartford in its TV ads) and the herky-jerky climbing technique of the Ghost-in-the-Well. Naomi Watts, back in the

ring for Round Two, maintains her intensity; and Elizabeth Perkins, Sissy Spacek, and Gary Cole make the most of their evanescent roles as, respectively, a hospital psychologist, a mental patient, and a dementedly upbeat realtor.

Millions. The lighter side of Danny Boyle (*Trainspotting*, *28 Days Later*, et al.), lighter even than *A Life Less Ordinary*, embracing not mere angels,



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but full-fledged saints. Two little Liverpoolian brothers happen to have a duffel of cash fall in their laps off a passing train. The younger boy, the “clever” one, conversant with all the Catholic saints and visited by a select few (Francis, a cigarette-smoking Clare, Peter, Joseph), takes this as his commission to dispense charity to the needy (“I thought it was from God”), with the added urgency of the looming conversion to the Euro. Once you swallow the premise, or spit it discreetly into your Kleenex, and once you resign yourself to the inevitable arrival, trackside, of a sinister figure in search of a lost duffel (a far cry, even so, from Robert Mitchum in *Night of the Hunter*), you can have some fun with the older, more practical brother’s attempts to rein in and cover up the younger’s open-handed philanthropy.

Dear Frankie. First-time director and cinematographer (rare combination) Shona Auerbach builds a façade of realism over an interior of mush. The title figure (Jack McElhone) is a nine-year-old deaf boy who never speaks, yet narrates the action (in an all but unintelligible Scots accent) in the form of letters to his absent Da, ostensibly away at sea. The punctual replies to these letters are actually penned by Ma (Emily Mortimer), who, in a creaky contrivance, is obliged to hire a perfect stranger (Gerard Butler, more perfect than you could dream) to impersonate Da on leave. Add this to the list of films — *Gerry*, *Heaven*, *Swept Away*, *Since Otter Left*, the as yet unreleased *La Petite Lili* — that procure poignance through the use of the same Arvo Pärt piece, “Spiegel im Spiegel.” It’s getting a little ridiculous. Not even Pachelbel’s *Canon* has gotten a heavier workout in a shorter time.

Schultze Gets the Blues. The titular Schultze, no first name, gets more than the blues. He gets a muse. A retired German salt miner and an amateur polka accordionist, he stumbles upon a piece of errant zydeco on late-night radio, the answer to a question he never knew to ask. After a bad reception at a meeting of the local music club ("Bloody jungle music!"), he pursues his bliss on a solo odyssey to Texas and Louisiana. The static camera and Kaurismäki-like deadpan seem a perfect fit for the swollen, water-balloon physique of the stolid hero. (Delightful shots of him squeezed into a pair of swimming trunks for a motel hot tub or doing deep knee bends in T-shirt and suspenders.) And the path charted out for him by first-time writer and director Michael Schorr unfolds as a touching affirmation — a very gently, lightly touching affirmation — of the universal Rebel Within. A man raised among garden gnomes may nonetheless discover a taste for jambalaya.

Downfall. Two-and-a-half-hour countdown to the end of the Third Reich. Bruno Ganz, digging into his meatiest role in years, looks and sounds fine as the Führer; and filmmaker Oliver Hirschbiegel's strict adherence to documented history, and to the precise design and décor of the infamous bunker, give the film some educational value, although the drab-to-dismal cinematography equates to a prosaical drone. Entertainment value, meantime, rises no higher than sadistic pleasure at seeing Hitler have a bad fifty-sixth birthday and bad rest of his life: "No one understands me...."

D.E.B.S. A low-tech, low-budget, low-profile *Charlie's Angels*, with an uncloseted lesbian agenda. The top

student at an all-girl spy school is writing her thesis on the elusive criminal mastermind, Lucy Diamond, when she gets to meet her subject face to face: "You're so not what I expected." The feeling is reciprocated: "Being bad doesn't feel good anymore." Sara Foster kissing Jordana Brewster is not, however, Cameron Diaz kissing Demi Moore, and is not apt to turn any heads. Writer-director Angela Robinson, who has moved on to the forthcoming Disney automotive fantasy, *Herbie: Fully Loaded*, appeals not so much to your sense of humor as to your political sympathies. A shaky leg for a spy spoof to stand on.

I didn't do any better than *Machuca* at the San Diego Latino Film Festival, though Marcelo Piñeyro's *Kamchatka* was a work of comparable quality, a tactful treatment of the Argentinian stigma of *los desaparecidos*, a fleeting pastoral interlude of a family in hiding (the events filtered, like the gathering political storm in *Machuca*, through the eyes of a child), before the parent gets "disappeared" outside the framework of the story. No overt violence, but plenty of pain. How did you do? ■

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The Aviator — Martin Scorsese continues to suffer from a form of elephantiasis, compounded by a touch of Oscaritis: 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, gossipy 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 Kate 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.

★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

Because of Winn-Dixie — A homeless mutt fills the void in the life of a motherless girl, and knits together the townsfolk of Naomi, Florida. The maker of *The Center of the World* and *Slam Dance* might not be the man whom you'd choose to entrust with the care of your children. Then again, Wayne Wang is also the maker of *Maid in Manhattan* and *Anywhere but Here*. (Will the real Wayne Wang please stand up?) In

any event, there's nothing to worry about here beyond an overflow of sap. The first-person narrator, trying to give the one in *To Kill a Mockingbird* a run for her money, assures you "It's a good story," but apart from some atmospheric mundanities (the girl's father, a Baptist minister, holds Sunday services in the former Pick-It-Quick Food Mart), it's mostly a sententious story. Based on the novel by Kate DiCamillo. With AnnaSophia Robb, Jeff Daniels, Cicely Tyson, Dave Matthews, and Eva Marie Saint. 2005.

● (PALM PROMENADE 24)

Be Cool — Forced, flat follow-up to *Get Shorty*, crudely directed by F. Gary Gray and coarsely photographed by Jeffrey L. Kimball, moving its base of operations from the film industry to the music business. John Travolta and Uma Thurman dance an encore to their number in *Pulp Fiction*. The Rock, stretching himself, playing a full-blooded black man rather than a half-and-half as in *Walking Tall*, tries to have some fun as a homosexual bodyguard and would-be actor; and Vince Vaughn tries to do likewise as a talent agent and would-be African-American. None of this spirit is

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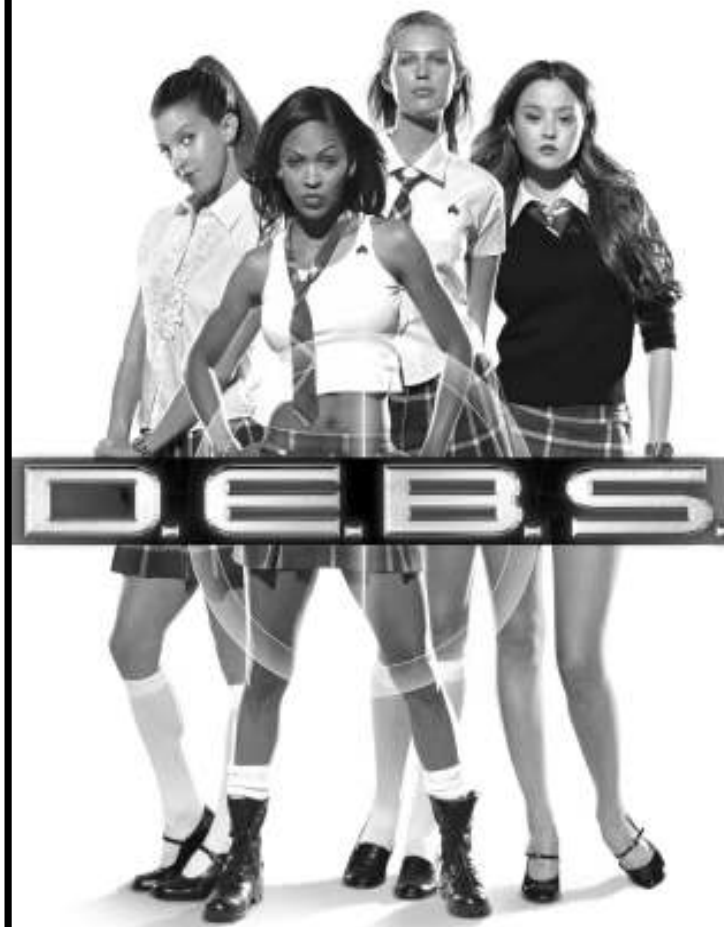
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contagious, though some of it is noxious. Based on the novel by Elmore Leonard; with Christina Milian, Cedric the Entertainer, Harvey Keitel, and, as himself, Steven Tyler of Aerosmith. 2005.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; 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; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Being Julia — Annette Bening takes to the role of an aging diva of the London stage, ca. 1938, like a starving lioness to a raw steak. Her range of expression is most impressive (whether suffering the attentions of a young admirer in an elevator or rising to the challenge of an ingenue on the stage), and the role by its very nature will excuse any excess. The backstage antics of amorous alliances and betrayals do not amount to much: a platform, merely. Based on the Somerset Maugham novella, *Theatre*. With Jeremy Irons, Shaun Evans, Lucy Punch, Bruce Greenwood, Juliet Stevenson, Maury Chaykin, Michael Gambon; written by Ronald Harwood; directed by Istvan Szabo. 2004.

★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Born into Brothels — Do-gooder documentary, co-directed, co-written, and

co-photographed by Zana Briski and Ross Kauffman, focuses on eight children in the Calcutta red-light district. Their lives and prospects are as awful as you would imagine, and the film's image is as awful as you have come to expect in the DV era. (The concealed-camera footage of the prostitutes



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on patrol looks roughly on a par with the video of a vice-squad sting.) The focus widens to include, as the heroine of her own film, the very photogenic Briski, or in the pet name bestowed on her by the children, “Zana Auntie,” who devoted her time, when not working on her own photography of the district, to teaching her craft to the children, promoting their photos worldwide through Kids With Cameras (as well as interspersing them throughout the film), trying to place the children in boarding schools, and trying to obtain a passport for one of them to visit a conference in Holland. (The boy's mother, midway through the process, gets burned alive by her pimp.) The kids, naturally, are likable; the on-camera filmmaker is likable; the film itself is another matter, raw, ragged, and a bit of a chore to sit through. 2004.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, THROUGH 3/24)

Bride and Prejudice — A Jane Austen-pattern fairy tale cut out of the gaudy fabric of a Bollywood musical. After pointlessly

altering the first word of the familiar title, filmmaker Gurinder Chadha (*Bhaji on the Beach*, *Bend It Like Beckham*) aggressively pushes the third word into the realm of race relations, as an Ugly American hotel king, retaining the family name of Darcy, and idly looking to acquire a property in what he views as “Hicksville, India,” butts heads with a marriageable but modern-minded native (“I thought we got rid of imperialists like you”), quite impervious to the advice of her conventional mother: “Don’t say anything too intelligent.” (It is still a fairy tale, for all that, a long way shy of a Kipling-pattern miscegenation tale along the lines of *Without Benefit of Clergy* or *Beyond the Pale*.) The American, played or merely represented by the callow, wooden, male-modelly Martin Henderson, is so unappealing that the viewer is apt to root against détente, and is apt to think less of the immensely appealing Aishwarya Rai when she inevitably relents. The song-and-dance number of the four unmarried sisters in

their pj’s, “No Life without Wife,” is the tipsy highpoint, though there are long dry spells during which you can almost forget that the movie is a musical. 2005.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4)

Constantine — Soporific supernaturalism, notwithstanding some startling special effects, with Keanu Reeves as a cool-dude demonologist in a long coat, doomed to Hell for a momentarily successful suicide attempt, and ticketed to an early grave, even now, for a pack-a-day smoking habit. Tilda Swinton, of all people, is cast as the angel Gabriel, and seems to take the job seriously; Peter Stormare is Lucifer, and seems not to. With Rachel Weisz, Shia LaBeouf, Pruitt Taylor Vince, Djimon Hounsou; directed by Francis Lawrence. 2005.

● (GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO DEL REY 16; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Cursed — Werewolf update: Internet research, teen lingo (“This is pretty freaky shit”), computer-generated beasts, and self-mocking, or self-loathing, gags. The werewolf flipping the bird, with no one standing between itself and the camera, might well be doing it to the audience. With Christina Ricci, Jesse Eisenberg, Joshua Jackson, and Judy Greer; written by Kevin Williamson; directed by Wes Craven. 2005.

● (GASLAMP 15)

Dear Frankie — Reviewed this issue. With Jack McElhone, Emily Mortimer, and Gerard Butler; directed by Shona Auerbach.

● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 3/25)

D.E.B.S. — Reviewed this issue. With Sara Foster, Jordana Brewster, Devon Aoki, and Jill Ritchie; written and directed by Angela Robinson.

● (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 3/25)

Diary of a Mad Black Woman — A discarded wife, after eighteen years of marriage, gets revenge and a new romance, with a made-to-order dreamboat (“I carry you in my spirit”) who’s almost the living embodiment of a Luther Vandross song. Everyone else, too, gets better than they deserve. A clumsy and bruising piece of audience manipulation, from a stage play by Tyler Perry, who also appears in the dual roles of a randy old emphysemic and a gun-toting granny. With Kimberly Elise, Shemar Moore, Steve Harris, and Cicely Tyson; directed by Darren Grant. 2005.

● (GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY; PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

Dot the I — Nothing-is-as-it-seems love triangle, composed of a Brit, a Brazilian, and a Spaniard, in London. Writer-director Matthew Parkhill, in his feature debut, conceals the complete illogicality until the “sucker-punch” twist. In the meantime, he reveals the charms of Gael García Bernal and Natalia Verbeke. With James D’Arcy, Tom Hardy, Charlie Cox. 2004.

★ (KEN, 3/25 THROUGH 31)

Downfall — Reviewed this issue. With Bruno Ganz, Alexandra Maria Lara, Juliane Köhler, Corinna Harfouch, and Ulrich Matthes; directed by Oliver Hirschbiegel.

★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

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

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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; GASLAMP 15; LA JOLLA 12)

Guess Who — Race comedy starring Bernie Mac, Ashton Kutcher, and Zoë Saldana, directed by Kevin Rodney Sullivan. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20;

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Gunner Palace — That's the name the occupying army has bestowed on the "weekend party palace" of Saddam's son, Uday, complete with swimming pool, fishing pond, putting green, and bomb damage. Documentarian Michael Tucker, narrating the action in the ominous amplified murmur of Martin Sheen in *Apocalypse Now*, lived there for two months in late 2003 and early 2004, sharing a room with ten American soldiers, going along on nocturnal raids, interviewing troops, recording the impromptu rap numbers of African-American ones, etc. Viewers hungry for an up-close look at the mop-up operations in Baghdad, and at the people commissioned to carry them out, will likely be willing to put up with the miserable video image. 2005.
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 3/24)

possible ways for the plot to go, it would be hard to pick a worse. A classy cast — Robert De Niro, Famke Janssen, Elisabeth Shue, Dylan Baker, Melissa Leo, not counting a newly dark-haired Dakota Fanning — in a workaday potboiler. Directed by John Polson. 2005.
● (PALM PROMENADE 24)

Hitch — An anonymous Date Doctor, working by personal referrals only, dispenses self-help slogans ("With no guile and no game, there's no girl") and empirical pearls of wisdom ("Eight out of ten women believe that one kiss will tell them everything they need to know about a relationship") to a select group of male clients carefully screened for their moral fiber and their honorable intentions. Yet the women in the movie, as the men intuitively fear they will, react to this newfangled advisor to the lovelorn, this better-dressed Cupid, as if he were the satanic spawn of Valmont and Mme. de Merteuil from *Les Liaisons Dangereuses*. What, or where, is the beef? Will Smith tries to apologize for his insufferable air of overconfidence by way of a cartoonish depiction of a shellfish allergy (his face swelling like a battered boxer's), a flashback to his days as a collegiate nerd, and a genuinely funny bout of inarticulacy when pleading his case to his steamed girlfriend. Director Andy Tennant sees to it that the star gets his accustomed surplus of closeups. In fact he sees to it that the subservient

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support team — Eva Mendes, Kevin James, Amber Valletta, Julie Ann Emery — get more than their share of closeups, too. In fact he sees to little else. 2005.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Hostage — Times two. A small-town sheriff, and burnt-out big-town SWAT negotiator, faces a hostage crisis at a fortified hillside mansion, but the head of the house has connections to big-time criminals, who then take the sheriff's family hostage, too, to compel his co-operation. Brassy, bombastic suspense film, with a host of badly acted bad guys. Bruce Willis, as the good guy, uncoolly sweats and frets, but he sweats and frets on the grandest scale. With Kevin Pollak, Ben Foster, Jonathan Tucker; directed by Florent Siri. 2005.
● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CINERAMA 6; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; 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)

Hotel Rwanda — Righteous recounting of the internecine strife between the Hutu and the Tutsi in Rwanda in the early 1990s, and the resulting genocide as the world twiddled its thumbs. Sort of a cross between *The Killing Fields* and *Schindler's List*, it mercilessly plays the shame game ("Rwanda is not worth a single vote to any of them — the French, the English, the Americans"), while it also gives us a real-life hero to identify with and become involved with: a humble hotel manager (Hutu married to Tutsi) who shelters over a thousand refugees in his four-star resort. Don Cheadle is for the most part admirably restrained, though not the part where he rips open his shirt in a cliché of despondency. Nicely, cleanly, warmly photographed by the Frenchman Robert Fraise. With Sophie Okonedo, Nick Nolte, Joaquin Phoenix, Cara Seymour;



Dot the I

directed by Terry George. 2004.
★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15)
Ice Princess — Michelle Trachtenberg as an aspiring figure skater, with Joan Cusack and Kim Cattrall, directed by Tim Fywell. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

The Jacket — Time-travel contrivance, at least as convoluted as it is clever: a Gulf War vet, subjected to crackpot experiments in a mental hospital, bodily visits the future, accidentally bumps into a big girl whom he had once bumped into as a little girl, learns of his earlier death, endeavors to avert it. The mad doctor speaks for the majority of moviegoers: "I don't understand." Keira Knightley, in the part of the big girl,

sporting darkened hair and an American accent, might as well be Winona Ryder. With Adrien Brody, Kris Kristofferson, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Daniel Craig, Kelly Lynch; directed by John Maybury. 2005.
★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15)

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 typecast 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 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.
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Man of the House — Preprogrammed comedy of a stiff-necked Texas Ranger charged with safeguarding five witnesses to homicide, a Texas Longhorns cheerleading squad. (He confiscates their cellphones, implements a dress code, shops for Tampax, gets advice on dating, grooming, and relating to his daughter.) Tommy Lee Jones, displaying a murderous deadpan, would be the right man for the job if the job were worth doing. The cheerleaders — a budding Brittany Murphy, a budding Angelina Jolie, a budding Gabrielle Union, and so on — are blanks. With Anne Archer, Cedric the Entertainer, Brian Van Holt, and R. Lee Erme; directed by Stephen Herek. 2005.
● (RANCHO DEL REY 16)

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, loosey-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. With Blythe Danner, Teri Polo, Owen Wilson; directed by Jay Roach. 2004.
● (HORTON PLAZA 14)

Million Dollar Baby — It would have been understandable if, after the exertions of *Mystic River*, Clint Eastwood were to revert to the relaxation mode of *Blood Work*, *Space Cowboys*, *True Crime*, *Absolute Power*. For a while, it would appear he had done just that. This sets up as a nice, light workout of fight-film conventions, smooth and steady, barely breaking a sweat. But ultimately it takes shape as more than just an old-fashioned fight film, really more a relationship film, with the Eastwood character — a gruff and guilt-ridden Irish Catholic trainer, manager, and cut man — taking under his wing a feisty female fighter who becomes a surrogate daughter to replace the biological one with whom he has lost touch, and who in turn needs a surrogate father. The boxing, almost inevitably, is ridiculous, a blur of first-round knockouts, two punches, three punches, in total contradiction of the heroine's diagnosed handicap as a late-starter. While not nearly as ambitious, not remotely as career-defining, as *Mystic River*, it proves in the end to be a film of remarkable gravity and bravery. No quick knockout itself, it is more like a late-round TKO, a well-paced war of attrition. You will likely feel, at the completion of Eastwood's standard two-and-a-quarter hours, that you have come down a long road; been somewhere; been through something. The director, as always, takes his time yet doesn't linger, doesn't build things up too big, doesn't bleed them dry. He understands the value of understatement. He understands a ballad is not an opera. And where he, in the excruciatingly emotional *Mystic River*, sent out Sean Penn, Tim Robbins, and Kevin Bacon to do his crying for him, he here dares to give it a try himself, and he does quite all right at it. Significantly, Eastwood's tears are shed, in the presence of a priest, over the prospect — the very thought — of taking another life. He thus continues his self-imposed penance over the bodies he has left littering the screen in his wake. Which is to say, the wake of the Man with No Name, Dirty Harry, Josey Wales, et al. More than just the custodian of classicism in Hollywood filmmaking, Eastwood has become — in the broadest, most inclusive sense, not strictly a moral sense — the conscience of American cinema. Hilary Swank, Morgan Freeman. 2004.
★★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Millions — Reviewed this issue. With Alexander Nathan Etel, Lewis Owen McGibbon, and James Nesbitt; directed by Danny Boyle.
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA)

Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous — Sandra Bullock goes back undercover, with Regina King, William Shatner, and Treat Williams, directed by John Pasquin. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA CAMINO REAL; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15;

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The Pacifier — Vin Diesel tries his hand at family comedy, directed by Adam Shankman.

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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 reenactments 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)

The Ring Two — Reviewed this issue.
With Naomi Watts, David Dorfman, Simon Baker, Elizabeth Perkins, and Sissy Spacek; directed by Hideo Nakata.
★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;

CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8;
ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6;
GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY;
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MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20;
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PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16;
RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN
SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Robots — A follow-that-dream fairy tale set in a world of robots, anthropomorphized and sentimentalized to such extent that an assembly-required baby-bot will grow organically into a tot-bot and a teen-bot and ultimately a budding inventor-bot. It offers, as they say, something for everyone: fart jokes and big-butt jokes, pop-culture allusions, corporate satire, the schizophrenic voices of Robin Williams, the aesthetic of “cute.” Something for everyone, at least, who’s not put off by the vacuum-sealed sterility, the machine-tooled smoothness, the showroom sheen of computer animation. Or by the two-faced disparagement of money (“Profit schmofit!”) and the pretense of higher principles. Those exclusions should whittle down “everyone” to a mere majority. With the voices of Ewan McGregor, Halle Berry, Greg Kinnear, Jim Broadbent; directed by Chris Wedel. 2005.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10;
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 SAN MARCOS 18; Santee Drive In; TOWN
 SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Schultze Gets the Blues — Reviewed
this issue. With Horst Krause, Harald
Warmbrunn, and Karl Fred Müller; written
and directed by Michael Schorr.
★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 3/25)

The Sea Inside — Factual story of a Spanish quadriplegic who, after twenty-some years of paralysis, took his fight to the courts for the right to die. Given its intrinsic limitations, the film is well directed (by Alejandro Amenábar), well photographed (by Javier Aguirresarobe, who collaborated with this director on *The Others*), and well

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The supplementary *Raging Bull* DVD makes the weight. All of the major players reunite to document the film's production from storyboard to lukewarm critical response. Best Easter egg? This is the first time Scorsese can be heard publicly uttering the "f" word. That's even better than hearing Harpo speak! Two complaints – why not a two-hour documentary instead of four half-hour installments? Second, where are the colossal still files that were contained on the Criterion Laserdisc? At least MGM was kind enough to tack a pared-down photo gallery onto the *New York, New York* DVD.

RAGING BULL (USA) 1980,
MGM Home Entertainment
List price: \$24.99

acted (by Javier Bardem, Belén Rueda, Lola Dueñas, Mabel Rivera, Clara Segura). The protagonist, acting as a spokesman for the artist rather than for euthanasians, says a good thing: "Who said anything about quadriplegics? I'm talking about me!" And his relationships with, primarily, four very different women are sharply defined: the empathetic lawyer who herself suffers from a

BETH ACCOMANDO
KPBS Film Critic

I like my love stories wrapped inside of something else, and *Tell Me Something* wraps its lyrical love story inside an Asian “hard-gore” thriller. The slow, hypnotic pace sucks you in and contradicts what you might expect in a thriller.

The Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai always makes me smile. It's hip, cool, nonpretentious and off the deep end in the most casual way. The great attention to detail makes it better with each viewing and there's John Lithgow as the evil Dr. Lizardo. Plus, the fun commentary track by director W. D. Richter explains the mystery of the watermelon.

TELL ME SOMETHING
(South Korea) 1999,
Kino Video
List price: \$29.95

**THE ADVENTURES OF
BUCKAROO BANZAI ACROSS THE
8TH DIMENSION**
(USA) 1984, MGM/UA Video
List price: \$14.95

ANDY FRIEDENBERG
Director of the Cinema
Society of San Diego

I heard that they are doing an American remake of Kurosawa's *Ikiru* and I wanted to see the original again in all its glory. It remains a very moving, beautifully crafted piece of filmmaking.

My job growing up was to pass my sisters the Kleenex during the final scene of Douglas Sirk's *Imitation of Life*. Now I hand them to my wife.

I had wanted to revisit *Kolya* for several years now. Seeing it again affirmed the fact that my fellow Academy members have a keen ability to find greatness in every corner of the world.

IKIRU (Japan) 1952,
The Criterion Collection
List price: \$39.95

IMITATION OF LIFE (USA) 1959,
Universal
List price: \$14.99

KOLYA (Czech Republic) 1996,
Miramax Home Entertainment
List price: \$19.99

the clock. And the out-and-out debate of the issue with a quadriplegic priest is cleverly staged: the priest's wheelchair won't fit up the staircase, and our hero won't come down, so a messenger must shuttle upstairs and down with the points and counterpoints, until the debate degenerates into a shouting match, with no more need

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of an intermediary. There are further attempts to cinematize the material through flashback and fantasy. Still, for all its valiant struggle, the film is almost as confined as its protagonist: not so much by restriction of movement as by narrowness of scope. 2004. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

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-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; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA

PALOMA, FROM 3/25; TOWN SQUARE 14)

Steamboy — Japanese anime, set in Victorian England, where for a change the Japanese animators are relieved of their onerous duty to draw ethnic-unspecific characters, sometimes practically extraterrestrial characters, with inverted-pyramid heads, doll’s eyes, and check-mark mouths. These recognizable human beings, by contrast, are Englishmen (voiced by the likes of Alfred Molina, Patrick Stewart, Anna Paquin), and no bones about it. The retro s-f story of fantastic inventions in that setting, and of the misappallcation of them for military might, will naturally and necessarily conjure up Jules Verne, one of the founding fathers, who launched his

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Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)

Be Cool (PG-13) Fri. (11:30, 2:10, 5:00) 7:50, 10:40; Sat.-Sun. (2:10, 5:00) 7:50, 10:40; Mon.-Tue. (11:30, 2:10, 5:00) 7:50, 10:40; **Because of Winn-Dixie** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:10, 1:50, 4:30); **Constantine** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:05, 2:00, 4:55) 7:50, 10:45; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 12:00, 2:05, 2:35, 4:40, 5:10) 7:15, 7:45, 9:40, 10:20; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:00, 1:50, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Tue. (11:15, 2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 8:00, 10:15, 10:45; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00; **Little Nemo: Adventures in Slumberland** (G) Sat.-Sun. (12:00); **Man of the House** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 7:55, 10:25; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:50, 4:00) 7:10, 10:20; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:00, 11:30, 1:40, 2:10, 4:20, 4:50) 7:00, 7:30, 9:40, 10:10; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 12:00, 2:00, 2:30, 4:30, 5:00) 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:15, 2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 12:00, 12:30, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30, 5:00, 5:30) 7:00, 7:30, 9:30, 10:00

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)

Guess Who (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:20, 2:10) 4:55, 7:40, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (11:20, 2:10, 4:55) 7:35, 10:15; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:10, 1:40) 4:15, 7:25, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (11:10, 1:40, 4:15) 7:15, 10:00; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Sun. (11:00, 1:50) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 1:50, 5:00) 7:40, 10:20; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:20) 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 2:20, 4:50) 7:20, 9:35; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30) 4:20, 7:20, 10:35; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 4:20) 7:25, 10:35; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:30, 2:05) 5:05, 7:50, 10:40; Mon.-Thu. (11:00, 2:05, 5:05) 7:50, 10:25; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:25, 1:55) 4:40, 7:35, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (11:25, 2:00, 4:40) 7:10, 9:30; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (11:45, 1:35, 2:15) 4:35, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 9:55, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:45, 1:35, 2:15, 4:35, 5:15) 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:30; **Robots** (PG)

Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 1:45) 4:25, 7:05, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:40) 7:05, 9:25

Grossmont Trolley

8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)

Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:05, 3:20) 6:25, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:40) 6:20, 9:10; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 3:10) 6:15, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 3:05) 6:30, 9:05; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Sun. (1:15, 3:50) 6:30, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:40, 3:10) 6:15, 8:25; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:55, 3:40) 6:35, 9:20; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:40) 6:40, 9:20; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:40, 3:15) 6:40, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (12:45, 3:25) 6:25, 8:45; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:30, 3:30) 6:45, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (12:30, 3:15) 6:05, 9:00; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:00, 3:45) 6:20, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:30) 6:20, 8:30; **Sideways** (R) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 3:00) 6:10, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (12:00, 3:35) 6:35, 9:15

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road

Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:30, 3:55) 6:55, 9:50; **Constantine** (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:35); **Diary of a Mad Black Woman** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (4:20) 7:20, 10:15; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:10, 1:15, 2:45, 4:00, 5:20) 7:00, 7:55, 9:45, 10:35; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri. (1:10, 4:10) 7:05, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (4:10) 7:05, 9:55; Mon.-Tue. (1:10, 4:10) 7:05, 9:55; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:55, 4:30) 7:30, 10:20; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Tue. (12:05, 2:35, 5:05) 7:35, 10:10; **Little Nemo: Adventures in Slumberland** (G) Sat.-Sun. (12:00); **Man of the House** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:20, 2:50, 5:30) 8:05, 10:30; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (1:00, 4:05) 7:10, 10:30; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:00, 1:05, 2:40, 4:25, 5:20) 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (12:25, 3:00, 5:25) 7:50, 10:25; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:45, 4:15) 7:25, 10:05; **Robots** (PG) Fri. (12:15, 1:20, 2:40, 3:50, 5:15) 6:50, 7:40, 9:30, 10:10; Sat.-Tue. (12:05, 1:20, 2:40, 3:50, 5:15) 6:50, 7:40, 9:30, 10:10

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10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)

Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous; **The Ring Two**; **Robots**; **The Pacifier**

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)

Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 8:00, 10:45; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 10:15 (12:00, 12:45,

career as a writer of science fiction (or in other words, launched the genre) almost simultaneously with the date of the story, 1866. Further, that conjuration will not be dispelled by the utterance of so decorous an oath as “Blast it!” This is unmistakably a kiddie cartoon, or at any rate a cartoon suitable for kiddies, and yet it’s a kiddie cartoon with no condescension. Which means, among other things, no pandering to pre-schoolers and no alienating of older nostalgists. The graphic style, replete with imaginative detail and painstaking draftsmanship, would best be described as realistic comic-book; and in truth the animation is only marginally more fluid. But if the movement within the images leaves something to be desired, the movement

between them — the exciting juxtapositions, the tight-knit logic, the urgent tempo — proves authentically cinematic. The action, perilously close to nonstop, is invariably large and constantly growing (by the end, as big as Godzilla and its kin), yet somehow this sort of thing seems less wasteful and more plausible when it isn’t live-action. When it isn’t, let’s say, *The League of Extraordinary Gentlemen* or *Wild Wild West*, to pick examples from a nearby period. Directed by Katsuhiro Otomo. 2004. ★★ ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 3/25; KEN, THROUGH 3/24)

The Upside of Anger — Reviewed this issue. With Joan Allen, Kevin Costner, Evan

Rachel Wood, and Mike Binder; written and directed by Binder. ★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18)

The Wedding Date — It’s straight downhill from the title, a decorous double entendre referring at once to the heroine’s paid escort and to the social occasion to which she is being escorted — her baby sister’s nuptials. The reason for the escort — to enable the heroine to hold up her head in front of family and former fiancé — has roots in psychological reality, but the roots run shallow: it would be a very cavalier woman, especially when coughing up a fee of \$6000, who would wait till she was aboard the airplane to meet the man she intends to

present as her new beau. The gigolo’s suitability, at a single glance, as a candidate for serious romance in a frothy comedy is a gauge of the movie’s superficiality. While he liberally doles out the sort of platitudes that win him the epithet of “the Yoda of escorts,” as well as the sort of sweet nothings that clog arteries and rot teeth (“I think I’d miss you even if we’d never met”), his only evident asset is his surface polish. The B-list principals — Debra Messing and Dermot Mulroney — take us no nearer a sense of reality while taking us much farther from a sense of enchantment. Under the willfully blind direction of Clare Kilner, the movie eventually earns some laughs only when it turns earnest. 2005. ● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14)

What the Bleep Do We Know? — Essentially an old-fashioned classroom film presented (at a price) in theaters: a team of scientists and scholars, with heavy grounding in quantum physics, take turns explaining how the brain shapes reality. Illustration comes from computer cartoons on a par with TV ads for household cleaners, and a live-action Marlee Matlin in an underdeveloped fiction. It’s interesting material, but it’s not a movie. See Alain Resnais’s *Mon Oncle d’Amerique* for a better model. Directed by William Arntz, Betsy Chasse, Mark Vicente. 2004. ● (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3/28, 6:30 P.M.)

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16

350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)
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FALLBROOK

Galaxy 6

5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)
Guess Who (PG-13) Fri. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Mon.-Tue. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:45; Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15; Mon.-Tue. 2:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri. 2:00 (4:30) 7:30, 10:15; Sat. 11:15 (2:00, 4:30) 7:30, 10:15; Sun. 11:15 (2:00, 4:30) 7:30; Mon.-Tue. 2:00 (4:30) 7:30; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri. 3:00, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sun. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45; Mon.-Tue. 3:00, 5:15, 7:45; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Mon.-Tue. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri. 2:30 (4:45) 7:00, 9:30; Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:30; Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00; Mon.-Tue. 2:30 (4:45) 7:00

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
Guess Who (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:30; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (1:00, 3:15) 5:30, 7:45; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 8:00, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 8:00; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (11:45, 1:30, 2:30, 4:15) 5:15, 7:00, 8:00, 9:45, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:45 (11:45, 1:30, 2:30, 4:15) 5:15, 7:00, 8:00; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:45; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (11:30, 12:45, 2:00, 3:15, 4:30) 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 10:00, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (11:30, 12:45, 2:00, 3:15, 4:30) 5:45, 7:15, 8:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45) 5:45, 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45) 5:45, 7:00

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.-Tue. (12:20, 4:10) 8:00; **Be Cool** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:50, 3:50) 7:10, 10:05; **Being Julia** (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:40, 3:30) 7:10, 10:15; **Bride & Prejudice** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:35, 3:35) 6:50, 9:40; **Constantine** (R) Fri.-Tue. (1:30, 4:40) 7:40, 10:40; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 12:45, 2:15, 4:00, 5:00) 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:50, 2:25, 5:05) 7:55, 10:35; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Tue. (12:10, 3:00) 7:20, 10:30; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Tue. (11:45, 2:20, 5:10) 7:40, 10:20; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:55, 3:10) 6:55, 10:10; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (11:30, 1:00, 2:15, 4:00, 5:00) 7:00, 7:45, 9:45, 10:30; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:40, 12:30, 2:10, 4:45, 5:15) 7:15, 9:50, 10:25; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. (12:15, 3:15) 7:15, 10:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Tue. (11:35, 12:05, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 4:30, 5:05) 7:05, 7:30, 8:00, 9:30, 10:00

VISTA

Vista Village Metroplex 15

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(760-945-7469)

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NORTH COASTAL CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)
Guess Who (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:20, 1:45, 4:10, 6:45, 9:00; Sun. 11:20, 1:45, 4:10, 6:45; Mon.-Thu. 11:55, 2:05, 4:20, 6:45, 9:00; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30, 1:55, 4:30, 7:00, 9:25;

Sun. 11:30, 1:55, 4:30, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. 11:35, 1:55, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:45, 2:20, 4:45, 7:15, 9:35; Sun. 11:45, 2:20, 4:45, 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 12:10, 2:30, 4:55, 7:15, 9:30; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 12:00, 2:10, 4:20, 6:30, 8:30; Sun. 12:00, 2:10, 4:20, 6:30; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 1:45, 3:45, 6:00, 8:05

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)
Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 8:00, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 8:00; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat.

10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (11:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (11:00, 1:30, 2:00, 4:30) 5:00, 7:15, 7:45; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (11:00, 12:15, 1:15, 2:30, 3:30, 4:45) 5:45, 7:00, 9:15; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (11:00, 12:15, 1:15,

2:30, 3:30, 4:45) 5:45, 7:00

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)
Bride & Prejudice (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15; **Hotel Rwanda** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:45, 8:00, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 2:45, 8:00; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Paper Clips** (G) Fri.-Tue. 10:00 (12:15) 5:45; **Sideways** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)
Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous; **Guess Who**; **The Ring Two**; **Ice Princess**; **Robots**; **Be Cool**; **The Pacifier**; **Hitch**

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)
The Rocky Horror Picture Show (R) Fri. 12:00; **Short Cut to Nirvana: Kumbh Mela** (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00; Sat. 7:00; Sun. 1:20, 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 6:00; **Sideways** (R) Fri. 8:00; Sat. 1:00, 9:00; Sun. 3:20, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 8:00

LA COSTA

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)
Guess Who (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Tue. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:00) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (12:45, 3:00) 5:45, 8:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00, 9:30; Sun.-Tue. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30, 4:45) 7:00

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13

College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)
Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 11:20, 11:50, 1:55, 2:25, 4:30, 5:00, 7:05, 7:35, 9:40, 10:10; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 1:00, 4:00, 6:50, 10:00; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Tue. 11:15, 1:55, 4:45, 7:45, 10:25; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Tue. 11:15, 2:00, 4:40, 7:30, 10:10; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 11:05, 11:35, 1:50, 2:20, 4:35, 5:05, 7:20, 7:50, 10:05, 10:30; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 11:10, 1:50, 4:50, 7:10, 9:50; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Tue. 11:00, 11:30, 1:45, 2:15, 4:30, 5:05, 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Tue. 11:00, 11:30, 1:45, 2:15, 4:15, 4:45, 7:00, 7:30, 9:45, 10:15

Oceanside 16

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TRANSITION SPECIALIST. Assist Teachers in group and community-based instruction for developmentally disabled adults. \$8.46/hour to start, depending on experience. 30 hours/week. Benefits. EOE. www.vistahill.org. Fax resume: 619-281-0453. Apply Monday-Friday, 9am-4pm: Stein Education Center, 6145 Decena Drive, San Diego 92120. E-mail: steinjobs@vistahill.org.

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CAREGIVER for male quadriplegic in North Park area. Part time, Saturday and Sunday mornings, 3 hours/day. Lifting required. Personal care, cooking/cleaning. Call for interview, 619-280-7446.

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COUNSELOR, Child Development. Full/part-time positions available in Point Loma area. B.A. degree in related (psychology) field preferred. Fax resume to: Attention Hillary, 619-523-0249, or mail to 3485 Kenyon Street, San Diego CA 92110.

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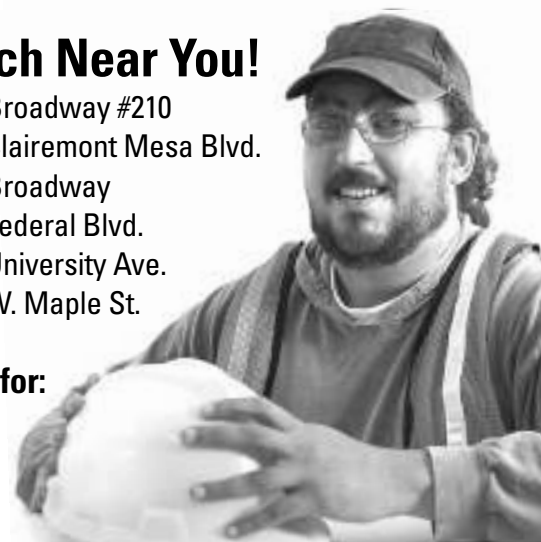
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FRIENDSHIP. Female, 52, North County. Seeking friendship, companion for overseas travel. Prefer born-again Christian who enjoy local travel, walks, hiking, good conversation, sincere. (3/30) ☎34379

FEMALE TRAVEL PARTNER wanted. Hike, camp, explore national parks for a week or more. Sharing fun and expenses with retired trustworthy, honest, fun, nice guy. (3/30) ☎34398

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TAKLIMU ARABI? I would like you to exchange conversation with me fi Arabi for conversation with you fi English or Spanish. (3/30) ☎34396

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SEEKING MEN

I'M SERIOUSLY LOOKING for nice, sweet, decent looking, fun male to date and who knows how to enjoy life. Me: attractive, alive, fun female, 45-55. (4/6) ☎34118

GOOD DRIVER, WHERE ARE YOU? Active, mature, Caucasian female, tired of so much driving. To meet tall, Caucasian male, nonsmoker, 70s, for friendship and companionship. (4/6) ☎34110

DYNAMITE IN A SMALL package. Loves to cook, sports, movies, anything outdoors, ocean. Seeking white male, 35-45. (3/30) ☎34085

NEED LOVE? I'M HERE. White female, 31 years, very attractive and loving. Seeking white male, 25-50, play no games, loving, caring and ready for relationship. (3/30) ☎34072

PRETTY FACE, NICE FIGURE. Lady seeking passionate, spirited guy who is 57+, tall, fun loving, sexy and carefree with plenty of time to play. (4/6) ☎34111

WARM, HAPPY, CURVY and passionate, 56, wants friendship of a gentleman, 48-60. Sense of humor a must and honesty only need apply. Hello? (4/6) ☎34105

ONE GOOD MAN, VERY attractive, tall, sexy, muscular, white, military guy, 30-45, financially stable, likes kids. Relationship minded wanted by beautiful, petite, black woman, 30s. (4/6) ☎34114

LAST FIRST DATE! 33, 5'4", professional, curvy, happy, fun, affectionate, vivacious, sensual woman seeks nice guy, 29-45, educated, nonsmoking, honest, upbeat,

communicative, for sincere relationship. (4/6) ☎34121

ATTRACTIVE FILIPINO WIDOW, 59, sexy, educated, secure homeowner. Enjoys dancing, travel, dining, cuddling, movies. Will kiss away your lonely nights. Seeking tall, white, handsome, financially secure gentleman. (4/6) ☎34102

ATTRACTIVE BLACK FEMALE, 50. Seeking romantic companionship, race open, 36-55. Must be honest, single to enjoy shared moments. Prefer tall, nonsmoker. (3/30) ☎34074

PLUS-SIZE WOMAN LOOKING for fun. Brunette, blue/green eyes. Like camping, bowling, nonsmoker, drug/alcohol free. Judge for yourself. (4/6) ☎34097

Kissed 50, French, 125lbs. Love cooking, camping, animals, music, walk abouts, hand holding, dancing, skies, all cultures, sounds of laughter. Are you a man who is gentle, passionate about life, and loving? (4/6) ☎34101

ATTRACTIVE, CURVACEOUS redhead, 54, 5'10", East County, adventurous, playful, spiritual, attractive, seeks rela-

tionship. You be spontaneous, nonsmoker, outgoing, honest, passionate, humorous, affectionate, kind, sincere, sensitive. (3/30) ☎34092

ACTIVE, ATTRACTIVE LADY, 70, good companion, for theater, movies, conversation, tennis, dining. Educated Democrat, unitarian, nonsmoker. Balboa Park area. (4/6) ☎34099

PRETTY REDHEAD, great smile, curvaceous full figure. Seeking romance, affectionate, sense of humor, established, positive attitude, loves family, friends, baseball and fun. Nice fella, 50+-. (4/6) ☎34117

SLIM, ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, real estate agent, 59, art, movie, outdoor lover. Seeking reasonably fit man for a glass of wine and good conversation. (3/30) ☎34078

FUN AND PERKY 60-YEAR-OLD Outgoing, friendly, adventurous, loving. Good sense of humor. Don't drink or smoke. Museums, outdoors, indoors, travel, and photography. (3/30) ☎34081

BOYFRIEND WANTED by plus size, sensual brunette, nonsmoker. Seeking friendship and companionship relationship.

Later will be icing on the cake. Let's go for it! (4/6) ☎34095

LATINA, SEXY, FUN, 47, seeks gentleman for a serious relationship. Let's enjoy life together and everything else life has to offer. Serious replies only. (4/6) ☎34109

SEXY, EXOTIC, VIXEN, energetic, 25, graduate student, cultured, spontaneous. Seeking affluent, generous, adventurous, educated, classy, older gentleman who can spoil me plus share intellectual conversations. (4/6) ☎34119

PRETTY AND SWEET, slim, 60s, widow. Looking for partner in life, 65-73, intelligent, educated, financially successful, homeowner, dependable, thoughtful, caring and sharing. Del Mar area. (4/6) ☎34115

SNUGGABLE, HUGGABLE, educated, adventurous lady seeks retired gentleman to spoil. Let's put sparks into our retirement. Love the outdoors, hiking, sightseeing, travel, quiet times. (3/30) ☎34076

GODDESS SEEKS WARRIOR! Intelligent, black, beautiful, tall, sexy, childless lady, summons unencumbered, emotionally stable, humble, humorous, white male, 28-38, with diverse interests. (3/30) ☎34075

FUN, FIT, YOUNG, shapely, 64, 5'7", intelligent, Caucasian, Democrat, walks, art, nature, dining. You: 57-64, healthy, nonsmoker, life-loving for friendship, romance. San Diego preferred. (4/6) ☎34116

NORTH COUNTY CHRISTIAN GAL, 44 years. Seeking friend, lover, companion for long walks on the beach. Must be 40-50, Christian believer, honest, caring and kind. (3/30) ☎34077

BLACK FEMALE, 5'10". Looking for someone to share various activities. Any race. Easygoing, good sense of humor and who likes to have fun. (4/6) ☎34113

REAL LOVE WANTED by 46, honest, loving, East County woman. Seeking nonsmoker, 50+, a nice, loving, honest, sincere, for lasting relationship. (4/6) ☎34098

TRANSPLANTED NEW ENGLAND Patriots fan, fun-loving yet family oriented. So, let's get together and have some fun. (3/30) ☎34079

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BLONDE/BLUE, down to earth, outgoing. You be same, 5'10"+. No drugs/drinker, smoker OK, 56-65 years young. French-German, a Leo, East County. (4/6) ☎34107

CLASSY, GOOD LOOKING, creative, 5'8", loves movies, ethnic dining, cooking, fine arts, values, family. Seeking intelligent, trustworthy, attractive, humorous, financially secure gentleman, 60-75 years. (4/6) ☎34096

PRETTY AND PETITE music teacher, 5'2", 115lbs. Enjoys hiking, bicycling, working out, meditation, hatha yoga, seeks gentleman 5'10"+, athletic, spiritual, good sense of humor. (3/30) ☎34094

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO spend time with, possibly build relationship, travel partner. Me: 50, educated, European, blonde, nice looking. You: good looking, educated, north. (3/30) ☎34091

SHALOM, 36-YEAR-OLD childless shy Latina would like to meet 40-50-year-old reform mensch. Old-fashioned values, good soul. Seeking another good soul. (3/30) ☎34090

GOT HERPES? IT'S NOT the end of the world. 34, attractive, white, looking for friend for casual dating. Movies, dinner, beaches. You: 30-40, same interests. (4/6) ☎34106

PRETTY LADY, PHYSICALLY fit, 5'3", brown hair, brown eyes, olive complexion, happy, upbeat. Enjoys beach, mountains and play. You're early 50s, fit, attractive, happy, nonsmoker. (3/30) ☎34083

ATTRACTIVE, CURVACEOUS, fit, 64, Italian lessons, artist, gardener, aromatherapist, educated, playful, outdoorsy, classical restless snowbird. Seeking Mediterranean Baja adventurer for music, ballroom culture, global experiences. (3/30) ☎34082

VERY ATTRACTIVE, GRACIOUS, warm-hearted, funny, feminine, intellectual, 51. Seeking optimistic, honest, adventurous, humorous, intellectual, 46-56, ready for friendship and romance. (3/30) ☎34086

NORTH COUNTY, SINGLE, curvaceous, romantic, reliable lady. Looking for secure, kind gentleman with good manners and sense of humor. Nonsmoker please. (4/6) ☎34103

HONEST, PETITE LATINA, 49, warm, fun-loving, romantic; dancing, movies, travel. Seeking financially/emotionally stable gentleman, 50-55, similar interests for relationship. No games, serious calls. (4/6) ☎34104

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"+. (4/6) ☎34120

SENSUAL, ATTRACTIVE, youthful lady, 5'6", trim, athletic, enjoy outdoors. Seeking tall, healthy male, 50-68, wanting to blend our many nice qualities for lasting relationship (858). (4/6) ☎34108

50, TATTOOED, TOW TRUCK driver. Seeking 30-44 cute Caucasian lady. Like: rock metal, football, animals, movies. Looking for friendship and positive chemistry. Gothic girls favored! (3/30) ☎34384

GREAT LOOKS, EUROPEAN, classy lady, honest, passionate, romantic, feisty, fun, successful homeowner. Loves life, arts,

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MEN SEEKING WOMEN

people. Seeking accomplished gentleman, 44-55 with similar interests. (3/30) ☎34089

ATTRACTIVE, ORIENTAL, exotic nice legs, curvaceous figure, humorous, 5'3", 115lbs., healthcare professional, childless, homeowner. Seeking fit, tall, nonsmoker, successful, generous, upscale, compatible, 35+ Caucasian bachelor. (3/30) ☎34084

ENTREPRENEUR, unconventional, single female, 50s, 5'9". You: 50s-60s gentleman, genuine, adventuresome; for jazz, theatre, sailing, dining, travel, fun times together by the sun and moon. (3/30) ☎34080

WITH A FULL HEART THERE is room for everything. 70, lady full of life. Adventurous, stable would like to catch a rainbow. How about you? (3/30) ☎34073

ATTRACTIVE, PETITE, 48. Seeking gentleman, 50-58, with integrity, sense of humor. Must be emotionally/financially stable with predictable, down-to-earth lifestyle for marriage. (4/6) ☎34112

MONET, MOZART, MOONLIGHT! Independent, active, attractive brunette, 35. Seeking college-educated worldly guy who enjoys the outdoors, nature, museums, art galleries, good films, comedy, dining. (4/6) ☎34100

SINGLE MOM LATINA, professional, educated, 42, 5'4", 130lbs. Seeking professional slim, single dad or divorced, 40+, affectionate, loyal, honest, confident, financially stable. (3/30) ☎34093

ADORABLE, VIVACIOUS, sophisticated, loving, positive, petite, intelligent, eclectic interests. Seeking 50-65 Caucasian, successful, healthy, tall, handsome, gregarious, compassionate, communicative, integrity, appreciates life's best. (3/30) ☎34087

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, MBA, 41, 6'3", 175lbs., slim, fit, well dressed, handsome Spanish descendant with accent, manners, personality. Please be smart, slim and fit. (4/6) ☎34431

BEAUTIFUL PERSONALITY, handsome, loving heart, extremely kind, fit, yoga, meditation, eastern philosophy, playful, communicative, mixed race, 53, 5'10", 175lbs. Race open. All calls returned. 38-55. (3/30) ☎34381

WANTED. Female, 45-49, white, nonsmoker, slender, active, smart, playful, caring; loves music, movies, animals, great food; for fun and more, for attorney, 53. (3/30) ☎34388

SENSUAL, SPIRITUAL, affectionate, quiet and sound, nonsmoker, nondrinker. Seeking same for mutual attraction, lasting relationship, full of passion, intimacy and growth. (4/6) ☎34445

SENIOR GENTLEMAN, very active, available for all activities that can best be enjoyed by two. Don't be shy. Call for a pleasant change. (4/6) ☎34441

RETIRED, HEALTHY, ACTIVE, 68 years, outdoorsy. No baggage. Like cruises, movies, stable finance, East County. Looking for a nice lady. (3/30) ☎34404

OPEN DOOR FOR YOU. My dream is to meet a young, Japanese woman, in 20s, to date and relate with culturally with hope to possibly marry the right one and develop a family. (4/6) ☎34455

MUSIC-LOVING, NONSMOKING, world traveling affluent widower, 80s. Seeking retired senior lady, 70s-80s, sincere, loving, sensual, available for friendship, companionship, social activities, travel, cruises together. (4/6) ☎34437

CARING, FUN, FIT, ROMANTIC, stable white male, 6', 54, 175lbs. Seeking special gal for quality time together, walks, dining, travel. Bye for now. (3/30) ☎34406

6'1", 180lbs., professional male, average looks, good build, creative, unique, very athletic. Seeking fun female for great times indoor/outdoor activities, 25-40, smart, pretty inside. (4/6) ☎34423

59-YEAR-OLD MAN in North County. Looking for a nice nonsmoker, good hearted woman who wants the same. She has to have good humor. (3/30) ☎34380

BLACK MALE, 52, WARM hearted, fun loving, hard working, nonsmoker with sense of humor. Seeking white female who has patience, understanding and loves life. (4/6) ☎34424

CULTURALLY ASTUTE, Catholic, 48, 5'11", 190lbs., for hiking, dancing, performing arts. Intelligence, humor count more than looks, although athletically inclined. Prefer 35ish-50ish, white or Latina. (3/30) ☎34393

SUCCESSFUL WHITE MALE. Seeking happily ever after with intelligent, fit, attractive lady, 30s-40s. I'm positive, supportive, affectionate, blue eyes, muscular, well dressed, Catholic. (3/30) ☎34390

FREE, NO. CHEAP, NO. Cute, sometimes more than others. Confident, charismatic, and fun, most of the time. Respectful and genuine, always. That beautiful face, yours. (4/6) ☎34426

SUCCESSFUL, EUROPEAN, intelligent, handsome, charming, and emotionally stable, wishes to make happy a sensitive, attractive and educated lady, in her 30s. (4/6) ☎34452

HANDSOME, SEXY, successful executive, 61, trim, 5'10", blond, green eyes, clean, caring, considerate, romantic. Seeking pretty lady, 40s+, for travel, fun, happy, exciting, committed relationship. (4/6) ☎34418

NORTH COASTAL PLAYMATE and life partner wanted by Oceanside gentleman. 52, 5'9". Let's share honesty, adventure, humor, communication, and spirituality. Life without love lacks meaning. (4/6) ☎34448

37, 6', 265lbs. Seeking black woman. I'm handsome, affectionate, good hearted, creative. You: sexy plus-size brunette who knows how to work it. Let's have fun. (3/30) ☎34389

CAMPING, HIKING, KAYAKING, gardening, cooking, music. 61, 6', 190lbs., red/blue. Seeking someone who's looking for the profound connection that a compatible couple can achieve. (4/6) ☎34415

TALL, 55, RETIRED, financially secure, homeowner, booklover. Prefers 5'10"+, slender lady, nonsmoker for nature walks, exploring, laughter, stimulating conversations, classical music, old westerns, passion, spirituality. (3/30) ☎34382

CAUCASIAN, 50s, 6', architect, designer, builder, extroverted, world traveler, aware, huggable, personable, listener, compassionate, intuitive, open, communicative, loves life. No cats, please. (3/30) ☎34401

BANKER'S HILL. Clean-cut, 50ish, computer tech, 5'10", 200lbs., mixed Afro-Cauc-Indian, lite skin. Seeking open-minded Christian, white female. Longer hair, great legs, nice feet a plus. (4/6) ☎34454

SINCERELY SEEKING a quality relationship. I'm 56, 5'3", 145lbs., good looking. I love music, walking, and just having fun at home. La Mesa area please. (3/30) ☎34410

TORRID LOVER! Strong, handsome, kind, passionate, thoughtful and I'm honest, genuine, fascinating, multi-talented, out-

doorsy and athletic. You're 24-43, beautiful, exotic, fun and independent. Let's rock! (4/6) ☎34442

TALL, TAN and tenderhearted white male, 71. Seeking gal who has sense of humor, an inquiring mind, an adventurous spirit who enjoys communicating, travel, plays and movies, jazz and a little chocolate. (3/30) ☎34386

FIT, FUN, FREE-SPIRITED, 45, attractive, financially secure, homeowner. Enjoys travel, adventure, music, motorcycles, fine wine, dining. Seeking fun-loving, fit, attractive woman. (4/6) ☎34451

TALL, LEAN, HANDSOME, bald, bold, creative, fun loving, centered, single black male, 40s, in search of big, beautiful, Caucasian lady for my lover and more. (4/6) ☎34420

SIMPLY ELEGANT, FUN LOVING lady of color wanted for dating. Must enjoy dining out, movies, walks. Laid-back and stress-free man wants you. (4/6) ☎34435

UNIQUE SINGLE MAN of quality, honesty, intelligence, wit, 61. Looking for nonsmoking Asian, Hispanic, European, or unconventional American woman, 40-55, of warmth, depth, kindness, education. (3/30) ☎34394

HANDSOME, INTELLIGENT, adventurous gentleman. Enjoys nature, walks, fishing, concerts, casinos and movies. Seeking mature, nonsmoking, Caucasian lady for friendship, romance. Virgo wants Taurus woman, companionship. (4/6) ☎34417

GREAT LOOKING SINGLE DAD, approximately 6' tall, brown hair/eyes, well grounded, great values. Seeking thin, outgoing, single white female, fun times together. Love, David. (4/6) ☎34439

WHITE, 47, SCORPIO. Seeking affectionate, nonsmoker, Democrat, down to earth, race and age open. Enjoy NASCAR, sci-fi, passionate kisses and hugs. (3/30) ☎34387

57, AVAILABLE, NO BAGGAGE, employed, have transportation and my own place to live. Should answer some concerns. Stable, secure, easygoing. Desire female, friendship, companionship, more? (4/6) ☎34444

APPEALING TO MY BEAUTIFUL black goddess: This attractive white male professional, age 42, fit, and trim-waits you with romance and respect! (4/6) ☎34419

HANDSOME BLACK MALE, 35, Christian Scientist, Cox cable, religious, puppet show. Looking for a Christian Science female musician, 29-40, slender, race open, sincere. (4/6) ☎34446

EL CAJON LADY, 67, no family. Great sense of humor, 5'3", 65lbs. (3/30) ☎34088

A SAN DIEGO MID-LIFE crisis. So much to do and no lady to share this Spring with. Let's play! Eclectic guy, sense of humor. (4/6) ☎34422

PARTNER FOR HAPPINESS, caring, sharing, togetherness. Enjoy outdoors, ocean, wine country, pine trees, camping, coffee, life. Realistic, relaxed, no drama. You're 50+. We're trim, nonsmoker. (3/30) ☎34407

HAPPY HISPANIC PROFESSIONAL! I am 51, fit, neat, and live in Chula Vista. I like to have fun, have no baggage. Live alone with pets. (3/30) ☎34400

SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEUR, 46, honest, educated, spontaneous and adventurous. Loves: theater, music, art, antiques, convertibles, the outdoors, travel,

and entertaining. You're 25-40, beautiful, exciting, and athletic. (4/6) ☎34436

WORLD TRAVELER, CARING, secure, loving. Seeking 35-52 woman for fun, romance, long-term relationship for economical adventurous travel. Backpacking, sailing, scuba diving, astronomy, retired homeowner. (3/30) ☎34392

GOOD HEART, JOB, AND LOOKS, South Bay, 53ish, Travolta look-alike seeks special lady. Nautical, humorous, blue/brown, sincere, works evenings, neat, musical and magical. (4/6) ☎34432

SEEKING ADVENTUROUS, fit partner for skiing, horseback riding, mountain biking, desert and river. I'm successful, youthful, 47 years old. I play hard and work hard. (3/30) ☎34403

TEACHER 36, ENJOYS TENNIS, working out, dancing, sport events, concerts, play and good sense of humor. You: 25-36, and enjoy the same. (3/30) ☎34385

YOUNG MAN LOOKING FOR passionate, nonjudgemental woman of any age. Looks not important. Must like to talk and be outgoing. Must be healthy. (4/6) ☎34429

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. (3/30) ☎34409

SPIRITUAL INTERESTS WITH wild side. Astrologer, activist, adventurer. Unconventional but grounded, 56, 6'. Seeking fit, bald, introverted unutilitive-thinking type. Passionate Pisces: kind, sensual. (3/30) ☎34402

TALL, ATTRACTIVE, WHITE male, 53, warm loving, caring, affectionate, easygoing, down to earth, playful. Seeking female, any age, for romance, togetherness, fun times, love, intimacy. (3/30) ☎34399

59 LOOKS 49, EMOTIONALLY intelligent, financially secure, grows roses, owns home, optimistic, active, excitable, no addictions, loves life. Seeking slender woman for love, laughter, life. (3/30) ☎34411

I'LL STOP TO ASK for directions. Tall, 66, brown hair, professional, homeowner, athletic. Seeking buxom, Caucasian, sense of humor, 55-70. (4/6) ☎34450

OLDER GENTLEMAN, 50, seeks younger, slender lady in search of wisdom, magic, passion, wonder. 5'11", successful, college graduate, business owner, ready when you are. (4/6) ☎34438

EXTRA-ORDINARY GENTLEMAN, well-educated, well bred, well travelled, intelligent, sensitive, spiritual, sensual. Classy, refined, sincere, caring, seeks real lady for lasting friendship and romance. (4/6) ☎34433

FULL-BODIED WHITE FEMALE, 180+lbs., wanted by attractive, black artist for passionate one-on-one relationship. Be large, proportioned, attractive and seeking a permanent relationship. (3/30) ☎34405

LOVE COFFEE AND GOOD listener. Single white male seeks lady, 30-60, for conversation, coffee and walks. I'm 40, 5'10", weigh 160lbs. (4/6) ☎34449

ATTRACTIVE, INTELLIGENT, caring, physically fit professional, 53, personable, happy, with good sense of humor. Seeking soul mate in woman, 39-50, North County. (4/6) ☎34443

BLOND, BLUE-EYED, 6'2", 220lbs., college, retired, US citizen, single, seeks lady, race not important, marriage possible, intellectual, cultured, educated, affectionate, enjoys discussions, new ideas. (3/30) ☎34413

I AM A HANDSOME guitar and drum teacher. I'm a very warm man, emotionally beautiful, lovable. Looking for a nurse or a paralegal for friendship. (3/30) ☎34395

GREAT LOOKING ITALIAN, 50, looks 40, great shape, secure, easygoing and very affectionate. Seeking fit, secure, easygoing lady who will be first in my life. (4/6) ☎34428

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Last week’s place: The rock house near the historic Bancroft Ranch House, 9050 Memory Lane, Spring Valley, known from Spanish times as St. George’s Valley. It sits above the springs after which the valley was renamed. Hubert Howe Bancroft, the great Western historian, had it built in 1889 as a storehouse and schoolhouse for his children. (Last week’s winner: Sarah Hauser)

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FASHION HILLS. \$500, includes utilities. Female roommate wanted to share house. Ocean view. Washer/dryer. Private, quiet cul-de-sac. No pets. Star 82, 858-565-7294.

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FASHION VALLEY. Share quiet, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom apartment, underground parking, female only, gated, no pets/smoking. \$575, plus 1/2 utilities. Available 4/1. Lupita, 619-994-0736.

FASHION VALLEY/USD. \$515. Room in large condo, pool, jacuzzi, clubhouse, parking. Near I-5/8/163 and malls. Washer/dryer. View. Nonsmoker. Safe/security patrolled. 619-806-0482.

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IMPERIAL BEACH. \$395. 16x20 room, private entrance, share bathroom. House with ocean view. Available April 1. Smoking outside. 619-424-7857.

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IMPERIAL BEACH. \$650, includes utilities. Master bedroom, private entry, French doors, laundry, tropical landscape, parking. Quiet neighborhood. Available 4/1. No pets, nonsmoking. Rick, 760-846-2252.

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KENSINGTON. \$900. Spacious canyon view, 2700+ square feet, 2-story home. Pool, privacy. Gourmet kitchen, fireplaces, access to first floor. Nonsmoking. Extra space available. 619-283-9600.

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LA JOLLA/UTC. Spacious, clean 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom remodeled condo with loft, in-unit laundry, vaulted ceiling, parking. Near I-5. Pool, jacuzzi, tennis. Nons-

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- Cannery row?
- Swab the deck
- Plays pizzicato
- Skater's leap
- "Desperate Housewives" actress Longoria
- Married mujer
- Crimson
- 1943 conference site
- "Witness" director Peter
- Burden
- Not quite enjoying a cakewalk
- Midnight fridge visit
- Alex who saw a lot of Ken Jennings in 2004
- Rugby formations
- Oodles and oodles
- Kind of hold
- Planned Parenthood topic
- Frozen desserts
- Seagoing letters
- Ja's opposite
- Purity measures
- Barrio grocery
- Football shutout line score
- Rock band with the '80s hit "Everybody Wants to Rule the World"
- Unruly
- Be put out by
- Diamond flubs
- What the starts of 17-, 22- and 48-Across all add up to
- Deem appropriate
- Formula _____
- Axlike tool
- Attempt to get
- eBay action
- Wine vintage

Down

- Pugilist's poke
- Rose of rock
- _____ Speedwagon
- Exercised caution, in a way
- Deserve
- No longer annoyed
- Where to find a mouse
- Clock setting at LAX
- Country singer Brenda
- Detach
- Bony part
- Frank topper, for short
- Lacking, in Lyon
- Antidrug agcy.
- Goldman's broker partner
- Telegrams
- Org. with many arms
- They can be hair-raising

- Apple laptop
- Colorful tropical fish
- Q-V run
- Bouncer's victim
- Huskies haul them
- "Coffee, _____ Me?"
- Preminger and Graham
- Classic brand name in an oval logo
- Willingly
- The Great White Way
- Vietnam's _____ Dinh Diem
- In trouble
- Big name in Italian fashion
- Parent's handful, to be sure
- Tito Puente's nickname
- "You're _____!"
- Bitter _____
- Left on a map
- Carnival city
- Bering, e.g.: Abbr.
- Start to "goblin" but not "gnome"
- Dedicated lines?
- Wu-Tang Clan rapper
- Prefix with plop or plunk

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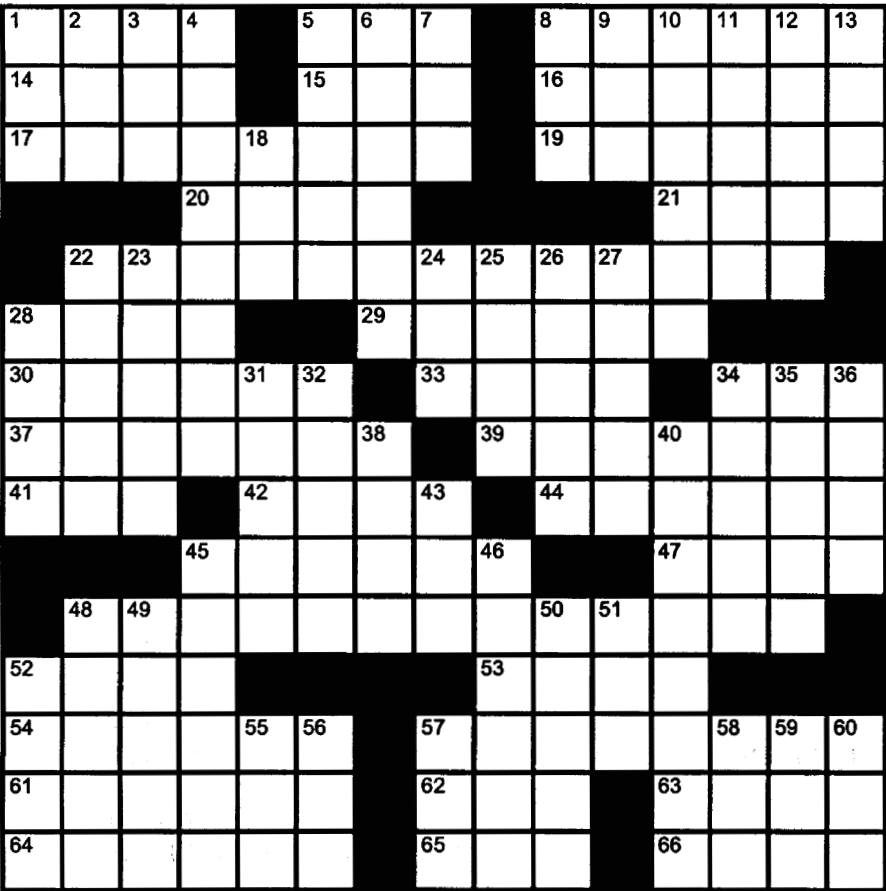
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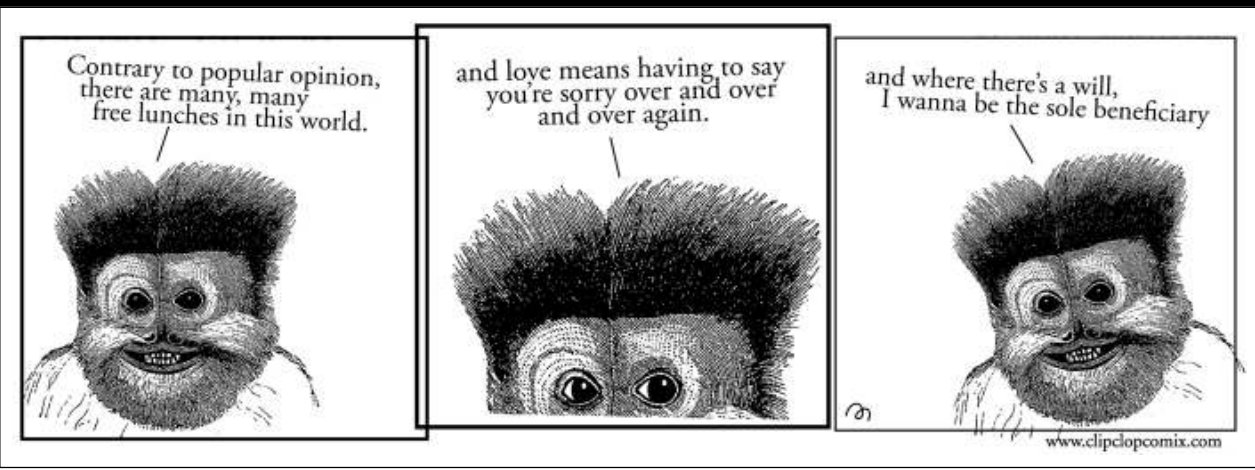
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Marines in the office of the quartermaster, Mrifle-range detachment, 1944. That's Staff Sgt. Mary Gerde seated at the typewriter. The San Diego Historical Society has one of her uniforms and more than one picture of Gerde;

Photograph from the San Diego Historical Society

she seems to have been the face chosen to embolden women to enlist. The recruitment slogan "Be a Marine... Free a Marine to Fight" provided further encouragement.

— by Robert Mizrach

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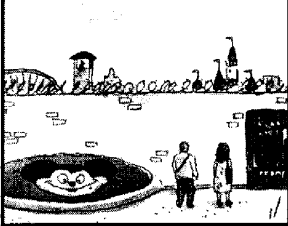
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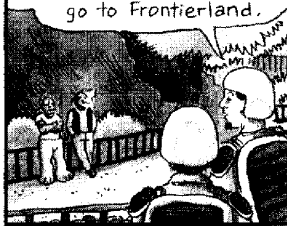
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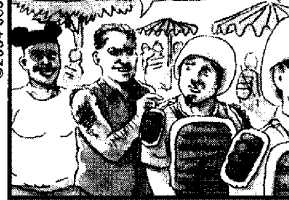
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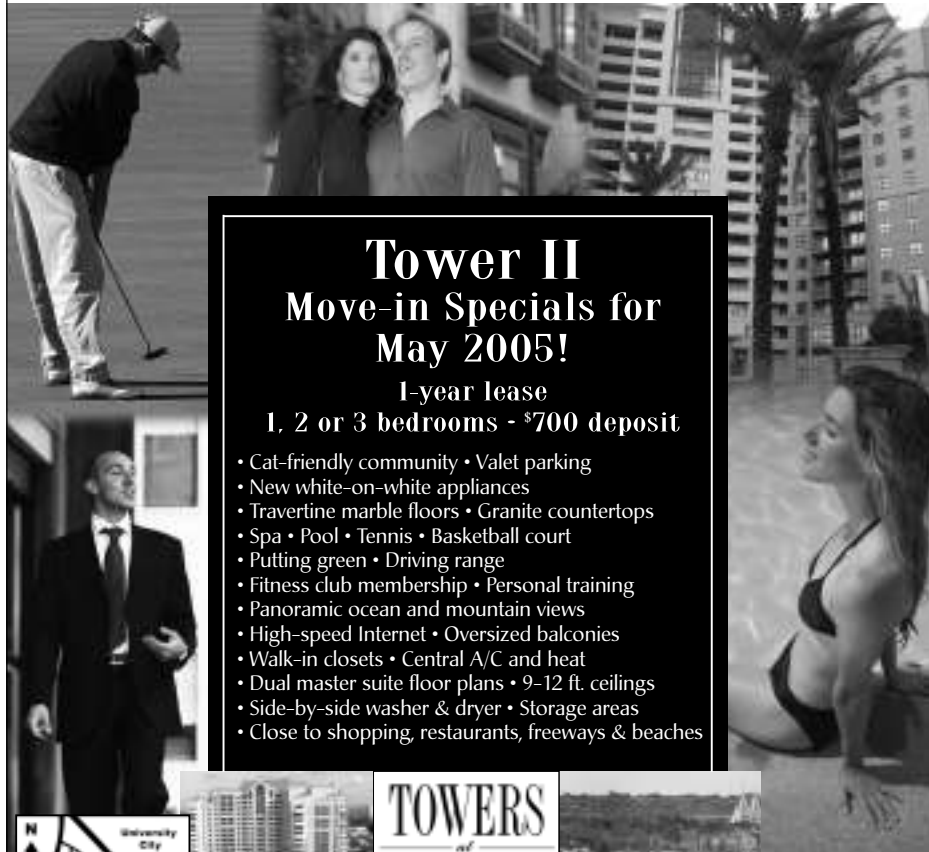
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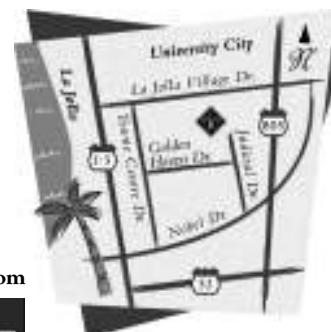
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NORTH PARK. \$800 rent, \$500 deposit. 1 bedroom duplex with private deck. No pets. 3812 Pershing Avenue. 619-299-8515 or 619-299-4034.

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NORTH PARK. \$725. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Freshly painted, very clean. Renovated complex. Laundry facilities, 1 parking space. Ask about move-in special! 858-349-4155; 858-361-7497.

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NORTH PARK. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, downstairs. Laundry on-site, dishwasher. 4070 Iowa Street. 858-483-3534, www.cal-prop.com.

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NORTH PARK. \$750. Upper and lower 1 bedroom units. 4086 Swift Avenue. On-site laundry, gated community. Agent, 858-560-1178.

NORTH PARK. \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit. Nice and bright apartment with hardwood floors. In lushly landscaped complex. Available 4/16. 3949 Kansas Street #9. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

NORTH PARK. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, with patio. Great location, close to all. Nice unit. Parking, laundry. Available now. 4352 Swift Avenue #1. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

NORTH PARK. \$875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet, laundry, parking, hardwood floors. Available 4/7/05. 4361 Texas Street. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

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NORTH PARK. 3820 Arnold Avenue. \$850. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, no pets, newly remodeled, laundry room, gated parking, small property. Call Ed, 858-597-6100 x322.

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NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs. Coin laundry. Large unit. \$950. 3662 32nd, Unit #6. 619-683-9274.

NORTH PARK. \$795. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Ideal location. 1 block south of University. Close to library and post office. 3088 North Park Way. 619-563-1215.

NORTH PARK. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet community. Laundry on site. 4450 Boundary #9. 619-563-1215, 619-857-1187.

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NORTH PARK. \$710-\$900. Nice 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Small, quiet property. Downstairs, new carpet, coin laundry. No pets. 4127 33rd Street. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

NORTH PARK/MORLEY FIELD. \$725. 1 bedroom apartment. Downstairs, very quiet, new carpet/blinds. Ready now. No pets. 3768 Villa Terrace. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

NORTH PARK. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Upstairs. \$1250/month. Patio/balcony. Hardwood floors. Crown molding, freshly painted. On-site laundry. Pets OK upon approval. Very clean. 2880 Meade #1. Call Todd, 858-583-9910 or Al, 619-265-0866.

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NORTH PARK. \$750. Small 1 bedroom, 1 bath, lower unit, gate complex, patio, on-site laundry. No pets. Nonsmoking. 3119 Howard. 619-281-4698.

NORTH PARK. \$1175. 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Upstairs. Appliances. Canyon view. Pet upon approval with deposit. Available now. 2345 Boundary. 858-270-2071. Del Sol Properties, Broker. www.delsolpm.com.

NORTH PARK. \$1000. Largest 1 bedroom apartment, all new, hardwood floors, breakfast nook. No pets. Off-street parking. 3940 Kansas Street. 619-640-7530. www.sdforrent.com.

NORTH PARK. \$1075. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Available. Nice, quiet complex, off-street parking. Laundry. No pets. 3112 30th Street. 619-640-7530. www.sdforrent.com.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, large unit, \$900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, large corner unit, \$995. Newly refurbished, convenient location, laundry, parking. 858-775-4246.

NORTH PARK. \$895. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace, new flooring, dishwasher, parking. 858-525-1003; 619-528-4200.

NORTH PARK. Large 1 bedroom, \$800 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, lower unit, stove, refrigerator, on-site laundry, off-street parking, gated. 3975 Arizona #2. 619-804-8711.

NORTH PARK. \$865 rent. \$700 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 3337 Herman #4. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. \$1025 rent. \$900 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath, large unit, stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 3337 Herman #6. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. \$875 rent. \$700 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, Cottage-style, stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, off-street parking. 4174 Wilson. 619-804-8711.

NORTH PARK. \$825 rent. \$700 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs unit with stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, balcony, gated. Off-street parking, on-site laundry. Garage available with \$50 per month extra. 4360 Hamilton #4. 619-804-3325.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$1150. Nice 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Tropical courtyard. Blocks to beach. Amenities: pool, jacuzzi, sauna, gym, Parking. Storage. Small pet. 619-519-9876.

OCEAN BEACH. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, pets ok, great location, private patio laundry, clean, spacious, available 4/1. \$1325. Paid water/trash. 4731 Cape May Avenue. 619-226-2157.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1195. Block to beach! Clean 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Shared 35' deck. Berber carpet, ceramic tile, gas appliances. Laundry. Parking. No pets. Shore Management. 858-274-3500.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$1350. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit. 1/2 block to Dog Beach. Laundry. Indoor dog OK. Available now. 2240 West Abbott Street. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1050. 2 bedroom (1 bathroom, remodeled) apartment. Off-street parking. No pets. 2729 Camulos Street (near Nimitz/West Point Loma Boulevard). 619-222-6427.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs. 1 parking. Laundry on site. Available 4/8. No pets. 4841 Del Monte Avenue. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

OCEAN BEACH. \$725. Studio in duplex available now. Upgraded, parking. Four blocks to beach. No pets. 4597 Long Branch Avenue. Orion Property Group, 619-749-6545.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$1225, deposit \$1225. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Dishwasher, laundry in complex. Off-street parking. Blocks to beach. 4838 Santa Cruz #F. www.timcassidy.com. Cassidy, broker, 619-275-2525.

OCEAN BEACH. 4526 Montalvo Street. \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, dishwasher, laundry room, parking, small property. Ca.; Ed. 858-597-6100 x322.

OCEAN BEACH. \$985. 1 bedroom, ocean view. Steps to beach, off-street parking. Stove, refrigerator. No pets. 5160 Brighton Avenue. Agent, Real Properties Group, 619-223-2244.

OCEAN BEACH. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment. 1/2 block to

beach, with laundry. No pets! 5057 Narragansett, #12. Call 619-222-4836, x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment with parking and laundry. 1 block to beach! No pets. 2243 Abbott Street #F. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment with laundry. Blocks to beach. No pets. 4852 Santa Cruz #9. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment with parking and laundry. Blocks to beach. No pets. 4836 Cape May #4. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$825. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment with parking and laundry. Close to all. No pets. 3828 Cherokee #9. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment with hardwood floors in living room, new carpet in bedrooms. Blocks to beach! No pets! 2194 Abbott Street. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment with new carpet! Parking, laundry. Blocks to beach! No Pets! 4874 Santa Cruz #3. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

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OCEAN BEACH. \$1325. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Sunny, lower apartment. Fresh paint. Parking. Laundry. Barbecue. Cat OK. 4856 Del Monte Avenue. 619-223-1720, www.rasnyder.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$975. 1 bedroom. Downstairs. 1 block to beach. Cats OK, no dogs. Available now. 5035 Saratoga. Boone Properties, 858-274-6856. www.booneproperties.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1500, spacious 2 bedroom apartment, fireplace, on park, view, patio, on-site laundry, parking. Pet on approval. Available 4/1? 4680 West Point Loma. 619-221-9047.

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OCEANSIDE. \$1300. Luxury Senior, gated community, spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, upgraded amenities, fireplace, washer and dryer included. Garage plus 1 parking. No pets. By appointment only, IMPG, 760-967-4764.

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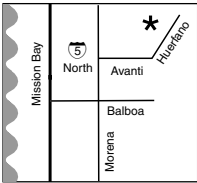


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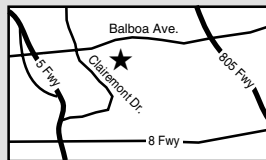
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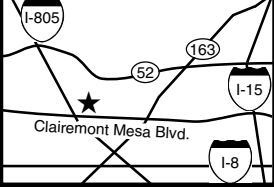
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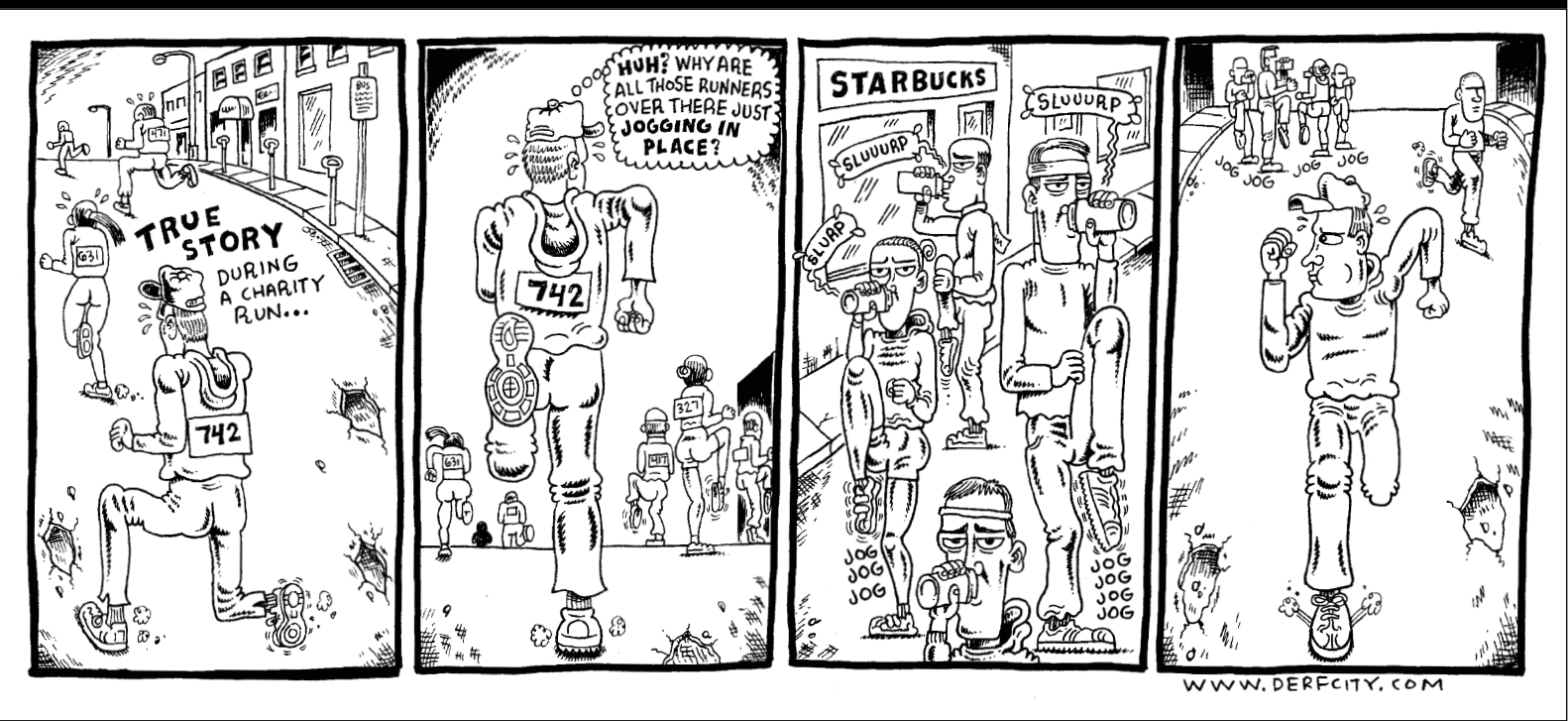
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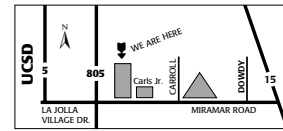


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HOME INVASION/ASSAULT

Location: [800] Opal Street, Pacific Beach

Time/Date: 2:00 a.m. on 2/24/05

Investigation: I received a radio call to investigate a report of a "hot prowler" burglary. I arrived...to make



contact with the reporting party. The front door was wide open and the security door was ajar. I

peeked inside the residence and saw an entertainment center, holding a television set, had been knocked over. I called out for the reporting party and no one answered.

The reporting party, C.W., who was [at a neighbor's house], flagged me down as I stood in front of her residence. [She] told me an unknown male individual attacked her in her home, while asleep.

Statement of C.W.: Last night I went to sleep at 9:00 p.m. Prior to going to sleep, I locked all the doors and closed all windows, except for the one in the kitchen above the sink. That window I left open about four inches.

At about 2:00 a.m., I was awoken [sic] by someone attacking me in my sleep. He was standing above me. He grabbed me by the throat and covered my mouth. It appeared he was trying to smother and strangle me. He tried to put his finger in my mouth and grab my tongue. He also forced his finger in my nose.

I managed to fight him off. I rolled to the left side of my bed and got up on my feet. My attacker continued to go after my throat. I struggled with him to the doorway of my bedroom where I pushed over an entertainment center to make noise.

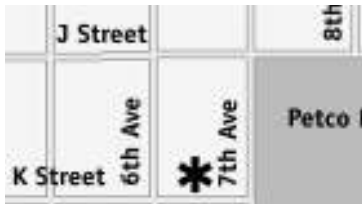
The struggle continued into my living room. I fought off my attacker and made a run for the front door. My attacker ran towards the kitchen. I made it to the front door and ran to my neighbor's house to call the police.

SECOND-DEGREE BURGLARY

Location: 660 K Street, Gaslamp

Quarter/Marina

Time/Date: 7:15 a.m. on 2/24/05



Officer's Investigation:

While on duty, in full uniform and a marked patrol car, Officer De La Pena and I were dispatched to a call of a person refusing to leave from the Marriott Gaslamp Quarter. I spoke with the loss prevention officer, Rick Jackson. Inana S. entered the hotel, gained access to an unoccupied room, used the room for her own purposes, and stole food and beverages meant for guests. Inana S. was sitting at the concierge desk wearing a white bathrobe and a red long-sleeved and legless leotard. S. said she was in room #1802. Jackson had last seen S. wearing a blue dress with black buttons and carrying a bag. She told Jackson she was staying in room #1808 with her husband.

Jackson and another employee...had looked in #1808 and found the room cleared out. In room #1802, they had located the dress and the bag S. had been seen with earlier. [They] had located a chilled bottle of wine in the room. The bottle is not available to guests and had been taken from the concierge area. Several items of food were also located in the room,

including a plate of eggs, bacon, croissants, cinnamon rolls, and a bowl of cereal.

Jackson contacted his supervisor and described S. The supervisor, Art Olguin, told Jackson he knew her. I spoke with Olguin over the telephone [and he] stated S. goes by the name Anna W. and he has contacted her several times in the La Jolla Marriott for similar crimes.

As Officer De La Pena searched S., she located an Omni Hotel keycard.

ATTEMPTED MURDER

Location: 2022 University Drive, Vista

Time/Date: 9:07 a.m. on 3/10/05



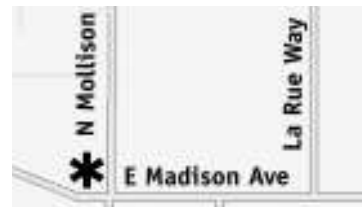
Incident: The suspect, identified as Harry H., entered Maric College and walked straight to his ex-wife's office. He locked the door and attacked his ex-wife with a tire iron. Other office workers attempted to gain entry into the office without success. After a short time the suspect exited the office and ran out of the building and left the area in a silver or beige SUV, possibly a Mitsubishi.

Being a nursing school, first aid was immediately administered to the victim. The victim was transported to a local hospital with nonlife threatening injuries to her ribs and face. There is probable cause to arrest H. for attempted murder.

POSSESSION OF AN ILLEGAL WEAPON

Location: 500 N. Mollison, El Cajon

Time/Date: 5:10 a.m. on 3/8/05



Résumé of Incident: Officer Mike Doyle was [on patrol] when he saw two people in a car not wearing seat belts. He attempted to make a traffic stop for the violation as the vehicle was getting onto Interstate 8, eastbound. The driver of the vehicle started to pull over but as the vehicle neared a stop it took off again, accelerating to freeway speed. Officer Doyle pursued the suspect vehicle and an object was thrown out of the passenger side window onto the roadway. The suspects then yielded as they neared the Greenfield exit. The two occupants of the vehicle, Jon V. and Marshall V., were detained while other officers searched for the discarded object. The search efforts led to the recovery of a loaded sawed-off shotgun.

The investigation revealed that Marshall V. is on parole for a burglary...he was additionally charged with possession of the loaded illegal shotgun and evading a traffic stop. Jon V. was charged with possessing the illegal, loaded shotgun.

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"The Z had about 30,000 miles when I got it, and sometime in the next few weeks it'll hit 400,000. As one of many careers, I was an auto wrecker. I don't know anything about cars. I don't like cars. I was just towing them in. I said to my partner

when we bought the yard, 'If we could just take this metal up to someplace like Boulevard and park it, in 20 years we'd be millionaires.' We took some wonderful metal over the scales in those days. Just hauled them and crunched them up.

"I drove the Z all the time I was in real estate. People ask, 'How did you show property?' Well, I'm not a taxi, and I don't want to work any harder than I have to. I worked mainly with buyers. They didn't want me in a car with them anyway. I said, 'I'll send you around to look at the houses, and the ones you want to see I'll meet you there.'

"The Z has been my everyday car. When I bought it, people would say, 'What a great car.' By the '90s people were saying, 'Are you still driving that old thing?'

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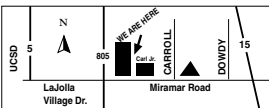
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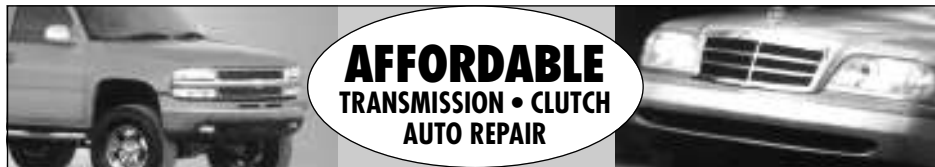
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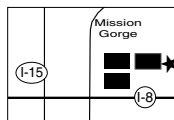
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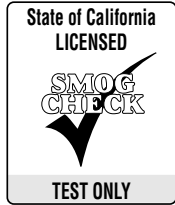
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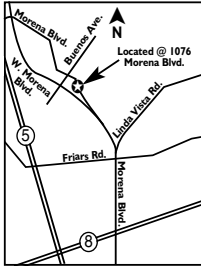
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The last time Donovan came to Manhattan he had my mom in tow and he cried for his own mommy before bedtime. For this visit I've built no crying time into the schedule.

We start our adventure in grand style with meatball pizza from Frank's and root beer straight from the can. Donovan said his mother lets him do it; I doubt it is true. Our young hero makes it through two cans without a split lip or a spill. Mission accomplished, my darling is fed and unhurt.

After dinner we send Chuck to the couch with pillows and a blanket so we can snuggle in bed. Donovan spies a gold-domed building out the window and marvels at how high we are, eight stories up, closer to the clouds than to the ground. We fall asleep with a full bed: Donovan, Bun-bun the bunny, green blankie, and me. I have never been happier.

Morning comes much too fast and Chuck makes us waffles and sausages. They are sweet and good and Donovan eats another meal without injury. I cut the waffles into tiny, tiny pieces. Choking, alas, is not on the schedule. Nor is lollygagging. "Donovan, put your pants on!" I scream, as he runs around the bedroom half naked. "Look at my butt! Look at my butt!" I know in my heart he is still a genius, even with this.

A fully clothed and properly bundled Donovan is intrigued by the elevator and insists on being the button presser. He also insists on hailing cabs or any passing cars or trucks, so sure of himself and so adorably aggressive that passersby laugh in their cars. When a cab does stop, Donovan politely thanks the driver and directs him to Toys 'R' Us. My Donovan has Manhattan in his blood. He fits in here with Aunt Rachel, and I could happily ride cabs with him all day long.

But a daylong cab ride is not in the schedule, so I settle for a trip to the toy store.

The Times Square Toys 'R' Us has a giant indoor Ferris wheel with each car decorated like a different character: Scooby-Doo alongside Barbie;

E.T. above a thatch of Cabbage Patch Kids.

Today Donovan decided Jeff and Henry, his imaginary friends, would come along for the ride too. We load ourselves, both real and imaginary, into a car that resembles a giant red cartoon truck. We spin around and around for 15 minutes while I take lots of pictures. Maybe Donovan can use them for show-and-tell. Maybe my name will come up. Maybe every time he sees a Ferris wheel he'll remember this day.

All Ferris-ed out, we grab another cab and head for the Museum of Natural History. We drive around Central Park and see the bright orange *Gates* installation swirling in the wind and rain. The color is not saffron like I had expected. It's orange, brilliant orange, and Donovan is impressed. When we reach the museum he turns around and I take his picture. He holds up his hands, twists his legs, and scrunches up his face — the bright *Gates* in the background bending and twisting along with him. The rain starts coming down in sheets, so we head inside.

Please note that I have not decided to take a four-year-old boy to a museum for hours and hours. In a moment of uncharacteristic sensibility, I decide that our first museum trip should be a short one: dinosaurs, butterflies, and the giant whale.

My Donovan had never been to a museum before and I sense his awe right away. The dinosaur bones I had promised are right

there at the entrance and as soon as he spies them he tries to scramble up and touch. I guide him away from the bones and toward the sign that explains them. Before I can speak, Donovan starts explaining everything in the chart to me and another little boy standing by. "That's a long-neck dinosaur, and that's a short-neck dinosaur. That's a tooth dinosaur



and that's a four-leg dinosaur." He was so confident and sure of himself, I didn't want to stop him. The serious father of the little boy was not so inclined. He turned to his son and asked if he wanted to know the REAL names of the dinosaurs. Without waiting for an answer he starts to give an impromptu lesson about prehistoric beasts.

I prefer Donovan's "Long-leg-o-saur" to the Brontosaurus. I'd rather he'd play the part of a four-year-old Adam, naming new things as they come into his world. Serious father be damned.

Our next stop was the butterfly room, a rectangular slice of moist tropical paradise all aflutter with butterflies. For the sake of harried parents and teachers, the museum staff lined the path to the room with bird dioramas making the 20-minute wait fly on by. Moments before the butterfly doors opened, Donovan turned away from a stuffed albatross before him and said, "I love you, Aunt Rachel."

Other things happened that day. We saw giant butterflies eat from an orange and dinosaur bones and taxi drivers. We ate McDonald's and played word games on the train. But my day stops outside the butterfly room when

Donovan said he loved me without being asked.

Donovan is leaving soon, going to Florida with his sister and mom and dad. It makes my stomach hurt because I want to watch him grow smart and solid and strong. I want him to know me. I want to read to him and take him for dim sum on Sundays. I want him to love my city, and be changed by my city, almost as much as I want him to love me.

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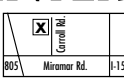
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For years I lived in North Park, on Redwood Street near 30th. I did my laundry on the corner but often passed the larger laundromat at 3773 30th St. wondering if it was cheaper.

When I moved from the neighborhood, the place became a delicatessen, but I didn't know that. By the time I passed by there again years later, the place was called F.O.L.D. and featured a kind of altar or riser/stage kind of thing — a pulpit, a drum set, and electric keyboard. The middle of the largish room held not washing machines or salami but rows of padded folding chairs. It had become a kind of revival meeting location, a “nondenominational church” as Pastor James Dawson describes it.

I thought it was clever, the double play on words. “Fold” as in “fluff and fold” and the word “fold” as in “flock.”

An unusual aspect of the place on Friday nights is a kind of Baptist, old-time revival atmosphere complete with dancing or marching, hymn-singing of the kind those raised Catholic (like myself) never heard, and tambourine-shaking, and for the most part white people of all ages, with several exceptions.

On a recent Friday night in March I visited F.O.L.D. for the hourlong service held weekly at 7:00 p.m. A capacity crowd of adults and children introduced themselves one at a time, much like a 12-Step meeting, from which F.O.L.D. draws much of their rhetoric, ritual, and vibe.

For example, the church's slogan is “The Most Excellent Way.” Pastor Dawson, when I asked him about this (“Is this from scripture or what?”), handed me a sheet with the 12 Steps from A.A., N.A.,

Overeaters Anonymous, etc. Being pretty familiar with this material, I glanced briefly at it and asked again. “So the Most Excellent Way is a derivative from the 12 Steps or 12 traditions, the Bible, or...”

“Yes, it is a 12-Step concept and divinely inspired from the Bible.” I start thinking, having studied “The Bible as Literature” for a year and having had to read the good book for many years during Catholic education, “This must be from one of the apocryphal books I never really read. Possibly The Book of Wayne and Garth.” The Most Excellent Way, of course, has to do with Jesus and love and is a fine idea, no matter where it originated, I figured.

The service on this Friday night was, to say the least, enthusiastic. Manic enthusiasm, a kind of hysterical piety charged the room. And when it came time to introduce oneself, I learned that many of these people were recovering drug addicts who owed their recovery to Jesus.

“Hello, I'm Jamie and I was a crack addict for 12 years until the Lord delivered me and brought me here.” Variations of this were repeated around the room. Most of the children were equally Jesus-charged, but one (eight-year-old maybe) introduced himself and said, “I'm here because I have to be. I was forced to.” Whether he meant Jesus or his methedrine de-toothed mother next to him was not clear, but he certainly looked as if he would rather be playing video games.

Among other hymns, the congregation sang lyrics such as “Blessing and Honor.”

*“I heard the voice of many angels
around the throne singing praises
to the One who is on the throne
singing wholly
They were bowing down on their knees
Giving honor to the King
With their chorus I begin to sing
Singing wholly, I sang
Blessing and honor...in glory unto the Lion.”*

I may have that a bit wrong. If so, I apologize and my Japanese tape recorder apologizes.

“Are these songs traditional, like Protestant stuff? See, I was raised Catholic.”

“So was I,” Pastor Dawson quickly adds. Dawson is a boyish, 40ish African-American and one of the most pleasant people one would care to meet. “Altar boy, everything.”

“Yeah, I was an altar boy too.” We bond right there.

“Anyway, some of the music is traditional and some are from contemporary Christian CDs. The congregation is so mixed,” Dawson says. “We've got Mexicans. We've got Filipinos and we've got so many white people! We've got folks in



F.O.L.D. congregants

their 70s and 80s and children who are excited about the church.

“We were across the street for a long time, and my wife and I thought we would be starting up a ‘black church,’ if you will. The number of white people we attracted amazed us. The Lord, He's amazing. You know we have the women's facility around the corner?”

“We've got six homes. Five of them are off Idaho Street, near the North Park Recreation Center. It was United Methodist Women who founded it for women ex-offenders. My wife [Hazel Dawson] has been director there for over 15 years. We do a lot of work with the women — men too, but it's the women we cater to, putting them in homes and houses. That store over there?” He is referring to a thrift shop in the same mini-mall as F.O.L.D. “It's completely run by them, the women.”

“The women are not obligated to come here in the program, but you can't get 'em away from here. It's where the healing is. It's the love that draws them here. It's amazing. Especially when you see Hispanic men come out of prison and are able to embrace black men. You don't see that. But here, there are no barriers. There are no walls.”

Something is going on within the walls, such as they are, of the Fellowship of Divine Love, or F.O.L.D. But like Dylan's Mister Jones, I don't know what it is.

In the end it's another occasion to renew my favorite prayer, one that the apostle referred to as Doubting Thomas came up with, and that is, “Lord, I believe. Help me in my disbelief.”

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I REPRODUCE BY EXPELLING A CLOUD OF SPORES. Through the millions of years of evolution the lizard cortex of my brain recognizes patterns that indicate a situation of possible reproduction. Whenever colors and shapes align in a specific configuration in my field of vision, my spore pod swells and — *poof!* — spawns a cloud. The color and shape configuration has a scientific name: cleavage.

The only way to reverse the puffy process is by thinking about Abe Vigoda removing his dentures and swallowing a kielbasa whole. Sometimes, there's just not enough time to conjure that image. *Poof!*

Because of this mutation, I have to consider my living arrangements more carefully than does everyone else. The sight of an erect spore pod and the occasional, unintentional airborne seed explosion has made more than a few roommates rethink their housing options.

It doesn't happen all the time, but when it does it's most embarrassing. In the mornings my head isn't quite clear until I've had my first cup of tea. When I'm standing in the kitchen, daydreaming, waiting for the pot to boil, that is the time when my mind wanders. That's the situation that drove my last roommate out.

"Looks like someone's awake," he commented nervously, pointing out my distended pod.

"Oh, man. Sorry. You know, it's automatic," I stumbled. "Uh, let me just —" was all I got to say before — *poof!* The kitchen was covered in a sticky, green powder that smelled like eucalyptus. Two weeks later I was carrying his television down our steps and placing it in the trunk of his Toyota hatchback, and he was handing me his keys to the apartment. He said he'd gotten a job in San Jose, but I knew it was my spontaneous eruption that hampered our relationship.

It happened again last week, and I'm afraid my new roommates are going to leave. It wasn't my fault. I was sitting on the couch trying to decide what program to watch. I stopped in momentarily at Telemundo to catch a glimpse of a crazy Mexican show. To my surprise a host of dancing bikini models paraded onto the screen. I jumped up, ran toward my bedroom, but mentally I only got to the part where Abe says, "Hey, sailor, you like my boots?" when — *poof!* — the hallway took on a new coat of mint-green shellac.

WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

LOCAL 8 NEWS

CBS 8, 7:00 A.M.

For the past six months I've driven without a license. Every day. Before I drive I compile as much data on driving conditions as possible. On a map I plot my previous sightings of police cars combined with traffic conditions. I have to rely on traffic reports from news stations, and it's not uncommon to see me standing in my front room yelling at the TV. "Sig-Alert! What the hell is a Sig-Alert? Speak English!"

HOWARD STERN

E! ENTERTAINMENT TV, 11:00 P.M.

Last time I watched this, Stern had one of his flying-monkey minions spray a naked *Penthouse* model down with cooking spray. The oil made a beaded slick tan on the

woman's chest and butt. It was a very erotic act but would've been more exciting if I could've stopped wondering if Pam Cooking Spray would add this to the list of uses on the side of the can.

FRIDAY, MARCH 25

VH1 GOES INSIDE

VH1, 11:30 P.M.

VH1 is a gross joke. I watched their *20 Moments that Rocked TV*, and it was vanilla in a plain white bowl. Rocking used to mean pulling your balls out on stage, throwing a TV out a hotel window, and having your noggin split open by a flying beer bottle. VH1's *20 Moments that Rocked TV* included Kelly Clarkson winning *American Idol*, Sonny & Cher singing "I Got You, Babe," and Bill Clinton playing sax on *The Arsenio Hall Show*. Whizbang! I've got chunky Christmas

sweaters that rock harder than that.

SATURDAY, MARCH 26

TO BE ANNOUNCED

CBS 8, 8:00 P.M.

"To Be Announced." That's perfect. I won't be watching TV that night. There's a race of genetic super pigs. I'm not making that up. The pigs are bred and cared for to produce tender, juicy meat on par with Kobe beef. It's billed as "astonishing ham" in the brochure.

My friends and I ordered one through the mail, and we're cooking it this Saturday. In our inner circle, the party has come to be known as, "The Night of the Uber Pig." There's no way TV can compete with that.

SUNDAY, MARCH 27

HOUSE PARTY 4: DOWN TO THE LAST MINUTE (2000)

WB 5, 3:00 P.M.

Kid 'N Play wouldn't even touch this stinker. The threat of eternally being tied to *House Party 4* must've outweighed the money. I think I saw the main characters sweeping up the Laundromat across the street from my house yesterday. Good enough for WB.

MONDAY, MARCH 28

COPS

FOX 6, 4:30 P.M.

My grandmother loves *Cops*. When I was a teenager I was arrested for fighting in a parking lot. For some reason there was a camera crew there, recording me getting cuffed and stuffed into the back of a squad car. I couldn't wave, so I just smiled and mouthed the words, "Hi, Gram." Unfortunately, it was only a training video or something that they kept internal to that precinct instead of broadcasting my antics on cable.

HENRY'S FILM CORNER

IFC MONDAY, 8:30 P.M.

At *CollegeClub.com* we used to review movies for money. We wrote glowing articles for movies like *The Animal* and *Real Cancun*. It was then that I started noticing the reviews in magazines like *Maxim*, realizing they were just ads. (Really? *Club Dread* was the best movie of last year?) Say what



SCRUBS

you like about Henry Rollins, but at least he's not pushing crap for cash.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

GASTINEAU GIRLS

ETV 29, 6:00 P.M.

If you like to watch the downward spiral of the bourgeoisie, this program's for you. The daughter is a pampered bitch who can barely tie her own shoes, and the mother swings her champagne glass around while yelling, "I was a model!" every six seconds. Thanks for reminding us, honey. When the money from this TV show runs out, I'll let you scrub my bathtub.

SCRUBS

NBC 7, 8:30 P.M.

David and Barb recently attended an art opening in L.A. to display David's photographs. For weeks they invited me to join them. "Go up with us, it'll be fun," they said. "No, I hate L.A." I maintained. Who shows up to the gallery? None other than Zach Braff. I may have missed my only chance to shake hands with the man who had the audacity to write, produce, and direct a movie in which he made out with Natalie Portman.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

OPRAH WINFREY

ABC 10, 4:00 P.M.

My friend Kip's favorite joke is to wait until a line has formed (his audience) at the grocery-store checkout stand, grab an *Oprah* magazine, and proclaim loudly, "Honey, look who's on the cover!" He does it every month. He never tires of it. His wife Renee can only feign ignorance of their acquaintance.

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