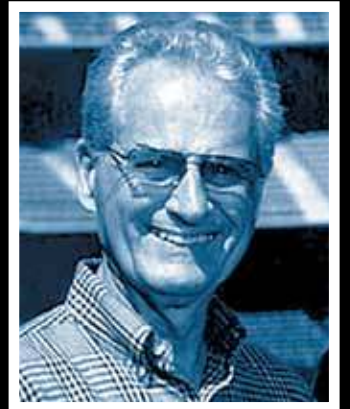
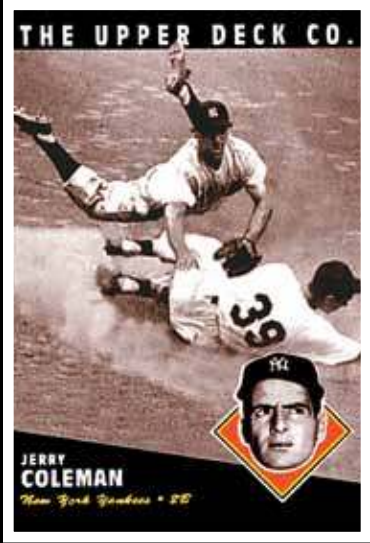


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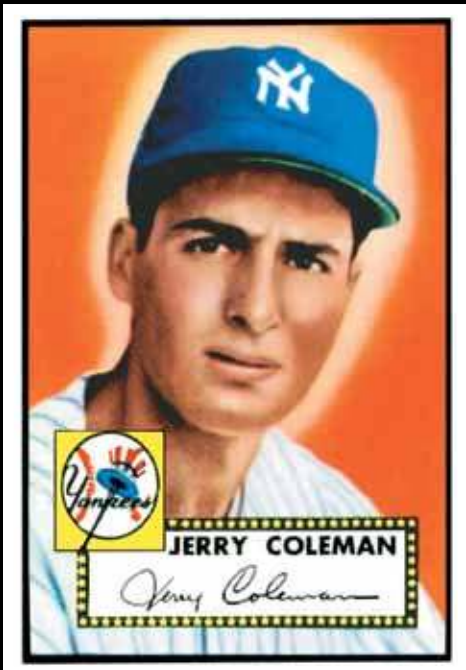
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Wants Smith Musical

Re *Himself and Nora* (Theater Review, March 31).

I thought the Old Globe production of *Himself and Nora* was good and that Kate Shindle was mind-bogglingly excellent, but I also really liked Jeff Smith's negative review of the production. He obviously knows the life and writings of James Joyce very well. His detailed critique made me wish that he'd create a musical theater piece himself and have it produced locally.

Elaine Forbes
Carlsbad

Canyon Friends

Brian Taraz's entertaining article about the wild cucumber in Rice Canyon was right on ("Bitter Fruit Surprise," "City Lights," March 31). The growth of this plant has been explosive this spring, much more than I have seen previously.

As a frequent walker in Rice Canyon, I can tell you that other species have also been rampant this year, such as white shooting stars and the beautiful blue-eyed grass. It is an awesome ecosystem, with species ranging from crayfish and minnows in the creek to rattlesnakes, red-tailed hawks, and even the endangered California gnatcatcher. The ubiquitous and, yes, wily coyotes are also an important part of this ecosystem.

San Diego has many "Friends of the Canyon" groups, but to my knowledge Chula Vista has only one — Friends of Rice Canyon. Like people, all canyons need friends. We work with the City of Chula Vista to remove alien vegetation, keep the dog-poop-bag dispensers stocked, and distribute plant guides. In the future we will plant native species. We get a huge kick out of enjoying the canyon, whether we hike, bike, or ride horses there.

Anyone wanting to become a Friend of Rice Canyon can contact Betsy Cory at bcory@ix.netcom.com. To form a new canyon group in Chula Vista or anywhere in San Diego County, contact Eric Bowlby of the Sierra Club (phone 619-284-9399; e-mail savewetlands@compuserve.com; website sandiego.sierraclub.org/canyons). He will help tremendously with publicity, advice, and hands-on assistance to get you started.

Canyons for all of us, forever!

Betsy Cory
Chula Vista

Stereotype Photo

I'm writing in reference to the cover associated with the "Commitment" article on March 24. While the article was very well written, the picture associated with it was very stereotypical. I understand that their jobs are difficult and you were trying to show the daily routine, but putting a black inmate with a white officer on the cover was somewhat disturbing. In our society today, many associate crime with the black community, and putting that on the cover does nothing but justify it. Many do not understand that despite the few bad apples, there are many African-Americans to be looked up at. Pictures like that deepen an already blown-up racial tension that exists in Americans today.

Name Withheld
by Request
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Partisan Cauldron

I just finished reading your "City Lights" breaking-news article from March 24. It was forwarded to me by a friend. It was particularly interesting to me to read about Tom Stickel and his charitable foundation. I am president of the Coronado school board, and four of us on the board were blasted by Mr. Stickel in our local paper today. We were called "Kool-Aid-drinking board members" because we dared to sign a resolution that we sent to the governor opposing the proposed cuts to education. The one board member (Doug Metz) who did not sign it was interestingly enough recruited by the Stickels to run for the board in November. This board

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April fools day

In days gone by, **Herbert George Klein** was one of the most influential men in America. Starting in 1940 as a humble copyboy at the Copley-owned *Alhambra Post-Advocate*, Klein signed on early after World War II with young GOP congressman **Dick Nixon** and ultimately rose to become chief of White House communications. After Nixon's fall, PR man Klein worked briefly for a billboard company, then was hired by **Helen Copley** to return to his old spiritual home at the *Union-Tribune*, where he had been editor during Nixon's years in the political wilderness between 1960 and 1968. Klein, a sports nut, was friend and mentor to athletes like **Jack Kemp**, the Chargers veteran whom he helped elect to Congress. He once wrote Nixon, then vice president, that he should set up a photo op with UCLA track star **Rafer Johnson**: "He is a very fine young colored lad who, you will recall, won fame by beating the Russians in the decathlon. I think this could be arranged very easily and again would make an interesting picture."

Herbert George Klein

Among Klein's self-proclaimed achievements over the past decade were the *U-T*'s take-no-prisoners campaigns on behalf of the controversial ticket guarantee for the Chargers and the new downtown baseball stadium for the Padres. In May 1995, Klein testified before the council on the Chargers deal: "In our own newspaper we've enthusiastically supported this project. I was here when we first built the stadium, when we brought the Chargers here. The amount we're really [going to] vote on today is a small part of what you get from just one Super Bowl. To be a world-class city you need to have world-class sports, you need to have a world-class arena, and this is a major step in that time at a very key point." In 2000, calls Klein made to city councilmembers on behalf of Padres owner **John Moores** brought him a letter from city clerk **Chuck Abdelnour** suggesting that the newspaper exec might have to register with the city as a lobbyist.

But those glory days are over. Last Friday, April 1, Klein, a Fairbanks Country Club resident who retired as editor in chief of the Copley newspaper chain in June 2003, turned 87. The celebration was overshadowed by his testimony the previous Tuesday in the preliminary hearing of two female caregivers and another woman who prosecutors allege took financial advantage of Klein and his wife of 63 years, **Marge**, a wheelchair-bound stroke victim.

According to charges filed by the district attorney's office in November, **Mary Alice Talton**, 49, and **Margaret Lynette Baker**, 45, conspired to defraud the Kleins; Talton, hired to assist Marge, allegedly stole checks from the couple and in one instance forged a check to SDG&E and gave it to her neighbor, Baker, to pay an overdue utility bill. **Gwendolyn Coleman**, 28, another caregiver for the Kleins, is accused of using Mrs. Klein's ATM card to illegally withdraw

cash from the couple's bank account. "Mr. Klein did not give Coleman permission to use his Visa card for ATM cash transactions," according to a statement by **Connie Johnson**, an elder-abuse investigator with the district attorney's office. "However, [he] admitted he has given her permission to use the card on several occasions to purchase groceries." The Johnson declaration said the "known loss" attributable to Coleman was about \$4000, but that, between 2000 and 2004, "in excess of" \$50,000 was believed to have disappeared from the account. The allegation says both Baker and Coleman have prior felony records. All three defendants, who were bound over for trial, have pleaded not guilty.

Political sweat and equity

It's spring, and the thoughts of local politicians are turning to fund-raisers. Topping this month's list is a Padres-themed bash by D.A. **Bonnie Dumanis** with proceeds going to her reelection bid. ... On May 12, California List, a political-action committee benefiting pro-choice Democratic women candidates for state offices, is throwing a dinner featuring former state senator **Dede Alpert**. "We invite you to sponsor this celebration by joining the Host Committee with



Bonnie Dumanis

a commitment to contribute \$500, \$1000, \$2500, \$5000 or \$10,000," says an e-mail sent out by the group. ... On April 11, liberal San Francisco mayor **Gavin Newsom**, who kicked off the gay-marriage craze, rolls into town for a \$500 private reception at a posh residence near Bankers Hill. Following that, the party is open to all comers for \$100.

Moonlighting According to a recently filed financial-disclosure report for 2004, the wife of indicted San Diego city councilman **Michael Zucchet** has been working for the Gemini Group, the political-consulting firm



Michael and Teresa Zucchet

that has close ties to recently departed mayoral chief of staff **John Kern**. **Teresa Zucchet** reportedly earned between \$10,000 and \$100,000 at Gemini, run by Kern's long-time friend and professional associate **Jennifer Tierney**. The company has handled the campaigns of Mayor **Dick Murphy** and D.A. **Bonnie Dumanis**, both allied with Kern. Teresa Zucchet also reportedly earned between \$10,000 and \$100,000 as a counselor for the Poway Unified School District and as an adjunct instructor at the University of San Diego.

— Matt Potter

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He Told Them What They Wanted to Hear

By Don Bauder

"Someday this mess will end up in the media," wrote an irate Terri Webster in an e-mail on August 13, 1999. Oh, how

prescient her words were. Webster, then assistant city auditor, was writing to deputy city manager Bruce Herring. She was in high dudgeon because the city's pension board was using a Florida lawyer who

"The city should really get control of the [pension] board before it becomes a PUBLIC embarrassment," wrote Webster — again, clairvoyantly. She was a member of the pension board at the time. Along



Terri Webster



Robert D. Klausner

was not a member of the California bar. Then—city attorney Casey Gwinn had written the board three weeks earlier, stating emphatically that "an attorney must be licensed in California to render advice on California law to a California client." Use of the Florida lawyer might be illegal, warned Gwinn.

with fellow board member Diann Shipione—who would later become the whistle-blower—Webster was suspicious of what the board was doing.

She particularly challenged the hiring of Robert D. Klausner, the Florida lawyer who was not licensed in California. "You would think question #1 in selecting candidates for

the board to interview would be, 'Are you licensed to practice in the state?'" wrote Webster to Herring. She questioned Klausner's past advice: "He's the guy from Florida that mostly supported the questionable issues without citing much case law. He gave the advice on independence, Brown Act, conflicts of interest, etc. He's been employed with the board for over two years. Reassuring, isn't it? The board should contact his other California clients to save them \$\$\$ for bum advice."

Webster has now been transferred to the wastewater department. She is not commenting on the messes at city government and the pension system. Shipione, who has since split with Webster and the other board members, is still voicing her views on the problems besetting the city and pension system. The 1997–1999 period "was a time when the board was shopping for opinions and found somebody [Klausner] that would give the board opinions that it liked," Shipione says. "The California law firms that gave opinions the board didn't want to hear were fired. This guy would give all kinds of opinions that certain members of the board and staff wanted him to give."

Klausner is now based in
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Neal Obermeyer



Stop! That's My Property

By Joe Deegan

Bert Decker remembers calling Midway area tenant Vic Maidhof in early November 2003 to warn him that the San Diego Redevelopment Agency was about to “chop up” his business. Maidhof did not believe it and told Decker he must be crazy. But the retired Navy commander convinced Maidhof to attend a meeting of the redevelopment agency's North Bay Project Area Committee the following day.

Maidhof refused to talk with me about his story. But as Decker tells it, when Maidhof got to the meeting on the

Sports Arena (recently renamed ipayOne Center), Maidhof stood up in the meeting and objected to the plans. The condominiums were the main fixture in a redevelopment proposal by the Pacific Development Corporation. The redevelopment agency supported Pacifica's proposal.

During the meeting, the redevelopment agency's project manager, Alex Greenwood, declared Maidhof had no

positional to redevelop the property he hoped he could pass on to his children. Greenwood said he had not known how to reach Maidhof before the meeting but sent notification to the property's owner. It turned out that the owner was 92 years old and lived in a nursing home. It also came out that Bert Decker took the phone number off a banner on the building Maidhof was leasing and used it to reach him.

The committee voted to delay action on the proposal and give Maidhof a month to come up with a counterproposal. In the following days, Maidhof contacted Vince Bartolotta, the attorney who won a \$98 million lawsuit against the city on behalf of Roque de la Fuente. Bartolotta advised Maidhof to buy the property he was leasing as soon as he could. With great strain on his finances, Maidhof did just that. He then produced a plan at further expense to develop his own property. To this date he has been able to keep the city's redevelopment agency from his door.

On March 21, private citizens on the North Bay Project Area subcommittee have turned thumbs down on condominiums proposed by developer Bill Kenton in the same neighborhood on Kurtz and Hancock Streets behind the Sports Arena. The city's redevelopment agency supports Kenton's proposal.

Joe Fritzenkotter, president of Vanard Lithographics on



Adult entertainment on Hancock Street



Sports Arena

morning of November 5, he witnessed a PowerPoint presentation of plans to build condominiums on property he was subleasing to other businesses. As a nine-year occupant of the property behind the

“owner participation rights” because he, too, leased the property. But private citizens on the North Bay Project Area Committee were flabbergasted that Maidhof, 52, had received no notification of the pro-

Kurtz Street, says that in December he received a letter from the redevelopment agency demanding that he choose whether to sell his property to Kenton, redevelop it himself, or move to another location. The letter allowed a fourth choice called “other.” Fritzenkotter checked the “other” box and wrote a note underneath it saying he wanted to remain in the printing business at his current location.

In June of last year, Kenton told Fritzenkotter that he wanted to develop the two blocks on Kurtz and Hancock between Riley and Sherman Streets. Kenton claims to own 40 percent of the area. In July, Kenton sent Fritzenkotter an offer of \$1.7 million to buy his property. The printer says he ignored the offer but later

met Kenton outside on the sidewalk. “Then he hinted,” says Fritzenkotter, “that if I didn't sell my property to him, the city would take it.”

The redevelopment agency's North Bay Project Area Committee held the first public discussion of Kenton's condominium proposal at a “workshop” on February 23. Fritzenkotter says a PowerPoint presentation that morning focused on his property first, then quickly moved on. Fritzenkotter said he yelled out, “Stop! That's my property! I want to talk about it!” only to be told to “shut up” by someone in the audience. To the private citizens on the committee, the proposal came as a surprise; they had heard nothing about it. So, they forced the group to convene a subcommittee to evaluate the proposal. It was that subcommittee that rejected the Kenton redevelopment proposal on March 21.

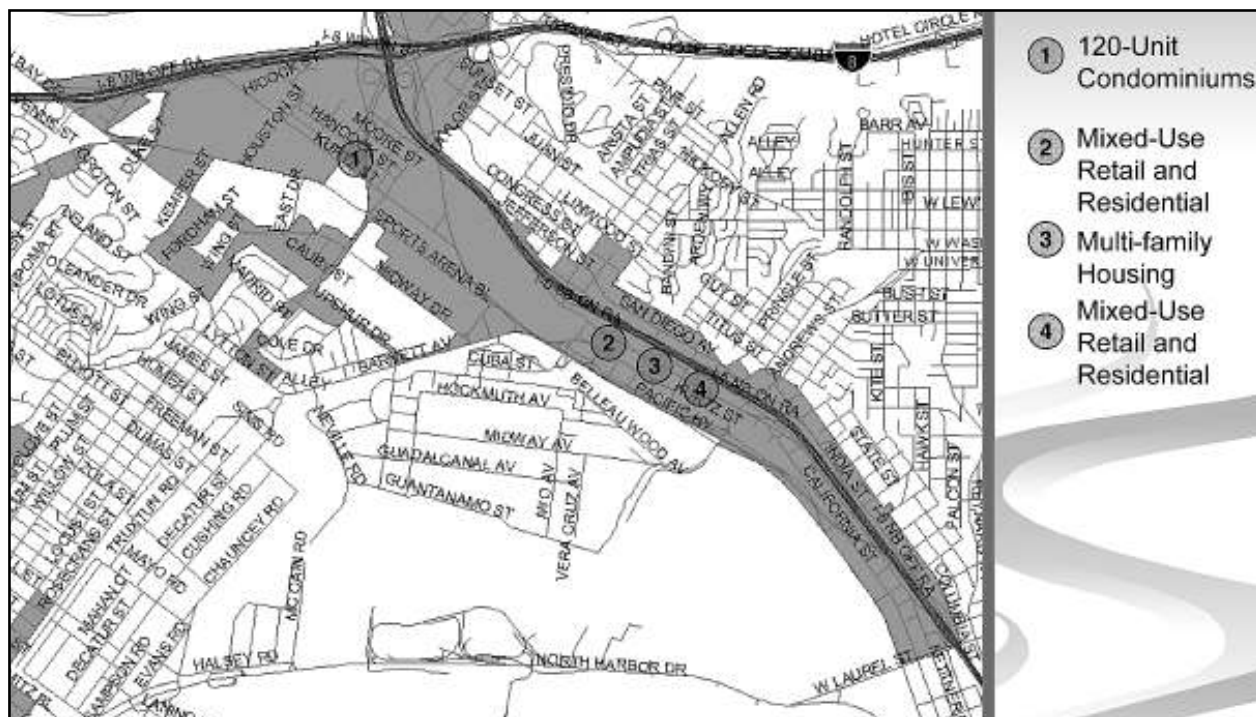
Kenton presented his proposal at the meeting, telling area property owners he wanted them to become his partners in the venture. But the most important component of his pitch was that the condo project would eliminate three adult-entertainment businesses at the area's entrance, including the Body Shop and Les Girls nude-dancing nightclubs. Those businesses, he argued, were part of the area's current blight, which makes redevelopment mandatory. Kenton also contends they are an eyesore leading into the Midway area, at the Rosecrans entrance off I-8.

As soon as Kenton finished, most of the meeting attendees condemned his condominium plan. The most impassioned argument against it came from Chris Clifford, who has a financial interest in one of the Hancock Street properties. Clifford argued that Kenton was working with the redevelopment agency to develop his proposal as far back as spring of last year. “We, the property owners,” Clifford told the meeting, “should be given the same kind of process and equity that Kenton was given. We deserve six months to put together our own proposals.”

The redevelopment agency had given those owners who chose to develop their own properties 30 days to outline their plans. The agency also denied the right to present proposals to owners who originally did not make that choice but later changed their minds. Clifford was one of them. He now wants to propose a plan that includes both industry and art in the redevelopment area. He calls it an “arts of industry” plan.

A majority of the owners in the redevelopment area do not favor the condominium plan, insisted Clifford. “Kenton now says, ‘Oh, be a partner.’ That was not what we were offered when the original proposal letter was sent to property owners. No one said, ‘Partner with us.’”

“And the redevelopment agency's Greenwood,” continued Clifford, “seems to have ignored his fiduciary duty to



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Plantation, Florida. He represents public-pension funds, as well as municipal unions. He is also a lobbyist on public-pension issues. I have reviewed some of his opinion letters during the period he represented San Diego's pension fund. In light of what subsequently happened, his advice can certainly be challenged. For example, on June 10, 1998, Klausner advised that so-called "surplus earnings" from the pension system could be used to help fund both employee and employer contributions and also make cost-of-living payments to retirees.

Last September, the law firm Vinson & Elkins issued a lengthy report on the pension muck and the city's practice of concealing it in bond prospectuses. The report was a white-wash in many respects but did have some excellent information on the city's deficient operations. The whole concept of surplus earnings — annual pension-fund earnings that exceeded the expected rate of return — was "the Snake in the Garden" of the pension system, said Vinson & Elkins. There are above-average years and below-average years; so-called surpluses in good years should not be doled out for other purposes, such as helping to fund employees' contributions. They should be

saved for the bad years.

True to the legal mentality, Klausner hedged his letter, saying that the city code discusses uses of surplus earnings, and he had been told that the practice was not actuarially unsound. However, in 2002, three years after Klausner stopped serving the city, a succeeding fiduciary counsel attacked the concept of surplus earnings and warned that "By draining off cash in good years, the structure makes it harder to meet the long-term earnings assumption." Klausner should have known that.

Repeatedly, Klausner advised that the pension board should be independent from the city, and in each case, he

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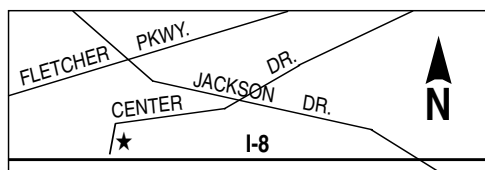
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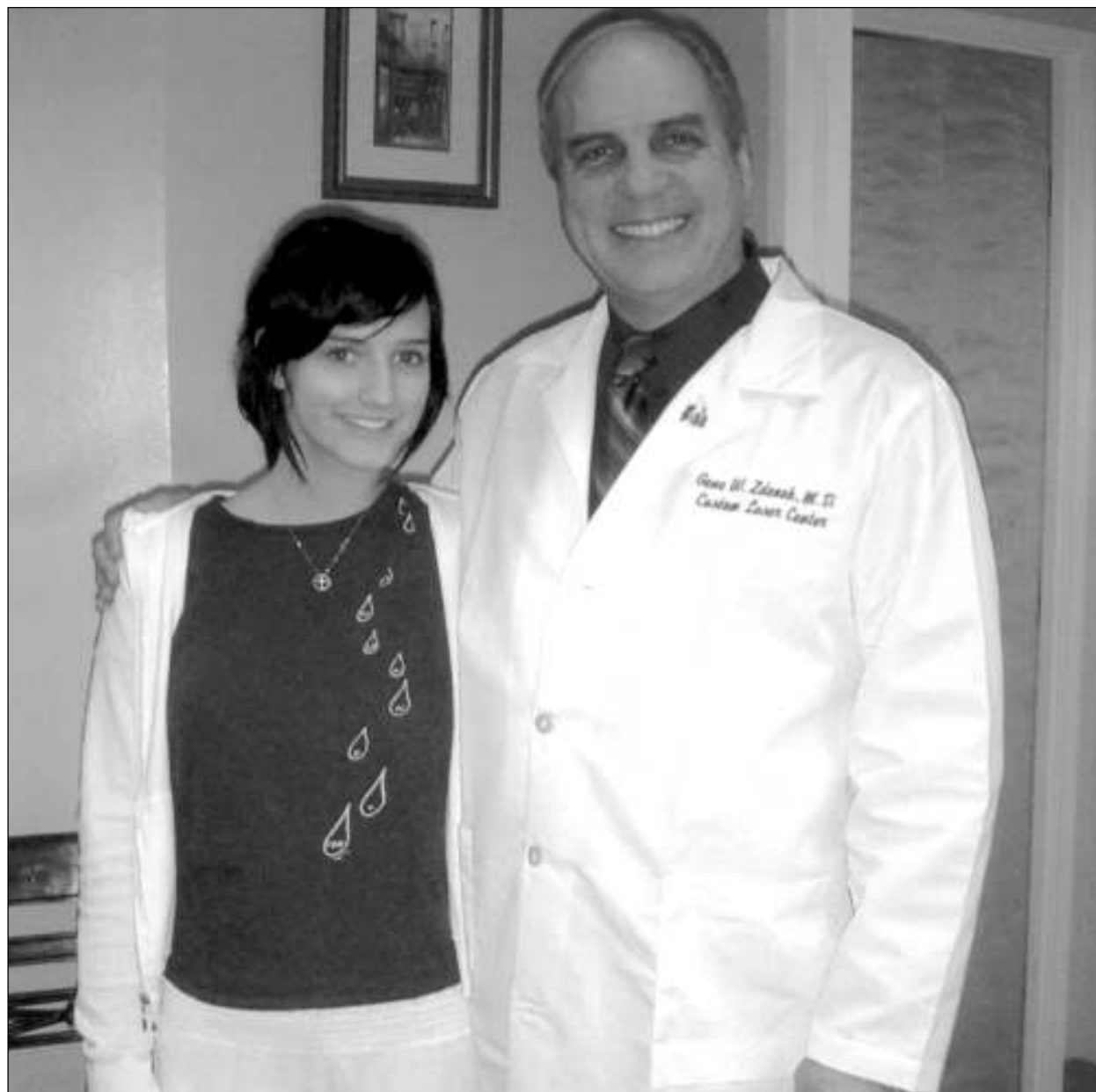
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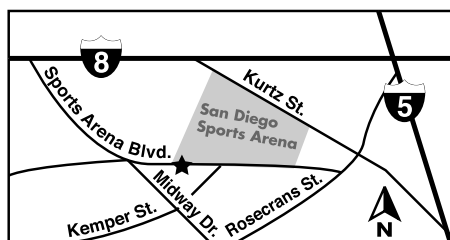


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On November 18, 1998, Klausner opined that the salary of the board's administrator is not subject to the cap in the city charter that applies to city employees. In the 2004-2005 fiscal year, administrator Larry Grissom is raking in \$185,367, 10 percent more than last year. Given the system's woes, is this double-digit raise necessary?

Also on November 18, 1998, Klausner stated that the city auditor should have no control over the pension system, unless by invitation. The problem with this advice, says Shipione, is that the pension system has been paying out money to dead people. There should be a system of audit checks and balances involving both the city and retirement system.

Klausner backed up the board on Brown Act issues, too. On May 14, 1999, Gwinn sent a letter to Chapin. The board had hired an outside lawyer to help it achieve its goal of independence. That attorney proposed to hold one-hour private meetings with each of the 13 board members. Gwinn reminded Chapin that California's Ralph M. Brown Act was passed to make sure that public boards conduct their business openly. These private sessions would violate the spirit and the letter of the Brown Act, said Gwinn. The next week, Chapin reported to the board that Klausner had pooh-poohed Gwinn's opinion.

Klausner was asked whether a labor-union president who sits on the board has a conflict of interest, or an appearance of one, if he votes on an issue he brought to the board. Klausner found no problem under state conflict-of-interest legislation. At that time,

the board was dominated by city employees and their labor-union heads. Because of potential conflicts, outsiders now have a majority. At the time he was offering this opinion, Klausner was a lawyer both for the pension board and the

San Diego Firefighters Local 145, whose president, Ron Saathoff, is a power on the pension board and at city hall. According to a September 20, 2004, article in *Forbes*, class-action law firms pay Klausner fees to refer possible lawsuits

to them. To say the least, Klausner — who did not respond to requests for comment — wears a number of hats, and ethicists may debate whether they all fit.

In 1999, Klausner argued that he consulted a California

bar member before issuing opinions based on state law. Chapin said that Klausner had never misrepresented himself on the issue. But an earlier California supreme court decision ultimately held sway, and he and the city parted company

that fall.

"Did he do a good job? I know that the board liked him a lot," says Chapin. Unlike Webster, Chapin said that Klausner's opinions had been correct ones. Well, the board and staff loved them, anyway. ■

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the property owners to inform us when he was first contacted by Mr. Kenton. What I got from [Greenwood in an ear-

lier conversation] was that December 14 was the date of the official proposal. Yet the agency has never explained what an 'official' proposal is versus the nonofficial one that says, 'We'll work with you for five months while we sand-

bag everybody else.' The rest of the property owners don't deserve to be sandbagged."

Clifford went on to suggest that Greenwood initiated the collaboration between Kenton and the redevelopment agency. Later in the meet-

ing, Greenwood denied it, saying that Kenton's proposal to the agency was unsolicited. He did acknowledge, however, that he had seen its earlier versions. But he had sent Kenton back to rework the proposal before accepting it

as "official" on December 14.

The most serious allegation of the day came when Clifford noted Kenton's participation on the Sports Arena Ad Hoc Committee "since last summer." Kenton had a conflict of interest, said Clifford,

since he was already putting together his proposal for the blocks behind the Sports Arena. On the Ad Hoc Committee, Kenton "took votes on the general area, not only the Sports Arena complex. Many of his motions covered the commercial zones and commercial byways [surrounding the Sports Arena]," said Clifford. "Kenton voted on the road that ran through his own property. He said, 'No, don't bring the stadium traffic along my road,' because obviously he wants to build condos on his road. He didn't tell the people on the Ad Hoc Committee that he was doing this project. That is an ethics-code violation.

"Kenton also voted for multifamily housing in the Sports Arena area, knowing full well that that would influence areas outside the stadium property. And if you sit here and buy into his proposal," Clifford told the subcommittee, "you're putting a rubber stamp on unethical behavior. And you're allowing a city department to sandbag 60 percent of the property owners in the area."

When Clifford had finished, subcommittee member Gail Cole spoke up. "I'd like to correct your mathematical equation," she said. "There are ten of you property owners [in the proposed redevelopment area]. Only one advocates the condominiums. That means 90 percent of you don't want the project."

But no one on the subcommittee is sure that its rejection of Kenton's redevelopment plan will prevail. On March 29, Kenton, Greenwood, and Rene Coons of Vanard Lithographics appeared on the KPBS-TV program *Full Focus*. Host Gloria Penner asked Greenwood how the local community was responding to the Kenton condominium proposal. Greenwood launched into a filibuster on "suburban sprawl" and "the need for more housing" in the city of San Diego, conveying an impression of great community support. Only minutes earlier, he acknowledged that he had decided on a 60-day "cooling-off period" to allow property owners a chance to make proposals of their own. The owners are now worried that Greenwood will use the 60 days to delay a vote on the Kenton plan that was scheduled for yesterday's meeting of the North Bay Project Area Committee. ■

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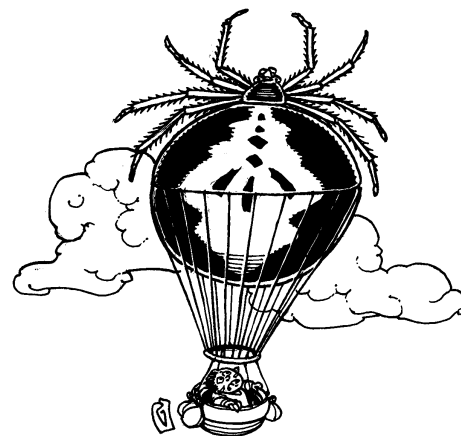


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Hey Matt:

I've always wanted to fly in a hot-air balloon. But I was told by a friend of mine that when you are up in the sky, flying about, there are also spiders soaring with you, or at least drifting along with the wind currents. Can this possibly be true, or is it just a myth?

— Brian, El Cajon

One of Matthew Alice's fondest kidhood memories is the sight of an especially strong gust of hurricane wind sweeping a small member of the Alice clan off his feet and rolling him down the street. If winds can do that, it shouldn't be a big surprise to find out that they can push a few bugs around. Sorry to burst your dreamy bubble, Brian, but soaring spiders and airborne ants are quite real. I'd advise you to keep your mouth shut and not smile too much either.

There's an aerial bug zoo circling around in the atmosphere — gnats, aphids, spiders, and the occasional butterfly, moth, or grasshopper, not to mention pollen, spores, seeds, dust, and specs of rubber that wear off our tires. Most commonly, the reluctant travelers are scooped up by warm updrafts at the base of a mountain. If they then happen to get caught in crosswinds before the updraft dissipates, they'll sail around for quite a while.

No need to pack the Raid on your next flight, since most of the critters are definitely dead bugs by the time they hit the upper air. But some can survive the ride. On ice-covered peaks in the Himalayas live colonies of spiders blown up from lower elevations and living on other insects and debris that showers down on them. The highest-altitude permanent residents on earth. The so-called Grasshopper Glacier in Montana has 500-year-old locusts embedded in its ice mantle. They too were deposited by winds after being picked up on the plains of Colorado.

Some bugs, not being as dumb as they look, use the wind to make life easier. F'rinstance, certain African locusts that can sprout sail-like appendages when the neighborhood gets too crowded. Then they drift off on the breeze to the suburbs with a little more elbow room.

Dear Mr. Alice:

Why is it that so many people bite their nails?

— Michelle, the net

It's been studied scientifically, so there are a few reliable things known about onychophagia. Unfortunately, "why" isn't one of them. Every time you sit down to a dinner for four, consider that one of you probably had a fingernail hors d'oeuvre sometime that day. (Actually, most nail biters don't swallow, they spit when they're through doing whatever they do with the torn-off nail.) One out of four adults (regardless of sex, national origin, IQ, mental stability) is a nail-biter. And one out of three nail-biters has the inclination, and apparently the agility, to bite his or her toenails. This is science, folks. I don't make this stuff up.

Nail biting usually begins between ages five and six, though the peak harvesting years are, no surprise, adolescence. Studies suggest a predisposition to nail biting is inherited, though nobody's ID'd a nail-biting gene. Many investigators believe the habit's a way to discharge tension, anxiety, or anger, but nobody's actually proved that. Part of the problem of finding out "why" is the likelihood that nail biting begins as a response to some stimulus but persists into adulthood purely as a long-term habit, years after the original stimulus is gone.

Matt:

How did Jeopardy! get its name? What does jeopardy have to do with the game and the way it's played? What's the danger? Also, why do contestants have to answer in the form of a question? What does that have to do with anything, let alone the name of the show?

— What Is Puzzled?, North Park

To me the biggest jeopardy you face is the risk of acquiring a fatal pain in the butt from being forced to spend a half hour with the insufferable Alex Trebek. Professional jealousy, you say? I think not. Simply observable, easily duplicated scientific fact. But at least Alex can't be blamed for any of the imponderables of the name or the game. Responsibility for that rests squarely on the show's developer, Merv Griffin, with a little help from his wife. Jeopardy! was devised in the mid-1960s, during the days of quiz show scandals, when certain TV quizzes were found to have coached contestants to improve their on-air performance. According to official Jeopardy! history, Merv wanted to develop a new quiz show, but he worried about viewers thinking his contestants had been given the answers in advance. Mrs. Merv had the perfect solution. Give players the answers and have them supply the questions. Mrs. Merv was just joking. It's not known whether Merv had no sense of humor or just knew a good gimmick when he heard one. Working title for his new show: *What's the Question?* In the original format, players risked some of their winnings in three levels called Jeopardy! Double Jeopardy! And Final Jeopardy! The on-air version dumped the risk and the working title but kept the Jeopardy! part.

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Earning Our Trust One Lie At A Time

It sounds so Baseball, the sneak-sneak, slip-one-past-the-stupid-public-while-they're-looking-the-other-way latest steroid deception. I'm talking about the bust of not-a-household-name and Tampa Bay Devil Rays outfielder Alex Sanchez. Sanchez got to go first; got to be the first major-league player punished for using, one assumes, steroids, since baseball instituted their latest bullshit rules on the subject.

Baseball announced that it has "Suspended Tampa Bay OF Alex Sanchez 10 days, effective April 4, for violation of Major League Baseball's Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program."

Note, by the way, that it's ten days, not ten games, which makes a difference of tens of thousands of dollars to Sanchez. Note also we don't know what substance Sanchez was using. Sanchez says it was milkshakes and multivitamins.

Funny, don't you think, that baseball announced Sanchez's suspension on Sunday, opening day, when the crush of baseball news was certain to tap down the story. Also, most fortuitous that Sanchez is a marginal player, picked up by Tampa Bay only last month. We have a player nobody follows on a team nobody follows. Not spotlight material.

Baseball lifer and Yankees manager Joe Torre opined that "...the fact that the testing evidently worked. That's what we all want to find out, that's what even the players want to make sure, that we get the fans' trust back, and that's the only way that can happen."

Yes, it's all about getting the fans' trust back. Baseball says, "We saw the problem, we took care of the problem; play ball."

Still, I would like to know the particulars, although it will take a subpoena to get them. Sanchez was drug tested while he was at spring training with Detroit. Detroit released him on March 15, so his test must have been given prior to that date. I would like to know the chain of custody. Exactly when and where was the test given to Sanchez? What, exactly, was he tested for? Where was his urine sample processed? When, exactly, did his sample arrive at that place? When was his sample processed, by what method, and by whom? When were his test results known? Who received a copy of those test results and when did he receive them?

To imagine that it all went one, two, three, and by happy coincidence, Sanchez's test results happened to land on Bud Selig's desk on

Sunday, April 3, the very day baseball's season opened with Boston playing at New York on prime time national TV, is to believe baseball is telling the truth. That is not possible for anyone who knows where babies come from.

But, it worked. I must own that Baseball knows stupid when it sees it. No outcry from Congress or the media. In fact, as far as I know, no one has bothered to ask, "Who is this criminal athlete, Alex Sanchez?"

Well, he seems like an extraordinary person and a hanging-on-by-his-fingernails baseball player.

He was born in Havana, Cuba, in August 1976. At the age of 18 he left Cuba by way of raft, picked up by the Coast Guard after three days at sea, and spent the next 16 months in a Guantanamo Bay refugee camp. Then to Miami. He did a little time at Miami-Dade Community College, was drafted by the Devil Rays in the fifth round of the 1996 amateur draft, picked up off waivers by Milwaukee in April 2001, His first big-league game was with the Brewers, June 15, 2001. He's been employed in the bigs ever since.

It's a long way from Gitmo to major league baseball. He made it on his own.

Sanchez is 5 foot 10 inches tall, 179 pounds, and a left-hander. He lives in Miami with his wife, twin sons (Alexeis and Alexander), recently (February) joined by his mother Mercedes and brother Jorge. The pair defected from Cuba, landed in Mexico, entered the States through Texas, and made their way to him.

Although climbing up to the bigs and then staying there for four seasons, starting a fifth, means you're in that top one percent of everybody, Sanchez is on the bottom of that rarified list. Baseball is a world measured by money. Here are his stats: 2001 was a partial year; he earned \$202,000 with Milwaukee in 2002; \$340,000 with Milwaukee in 2003; and \$385,000 with Detroit in 2004. The average salary for a major-league player is more than \$2,500,000.

A March 15 AP story gives us a peak. "The Tigers released Alex Sanchez on Tuesday.... Sanchez frustrated Detroit with his sloppy play in the field — as he did in Milwaukee before the Brewers traded him to the Tigers in May 2003... Sanchez also struggled to get on base when a bunt or single didn't get him to first — a big problem for a leadoff hitter."

The Box will follow Sanchez for the remainder of the season and report back.

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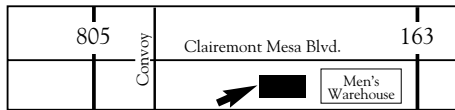
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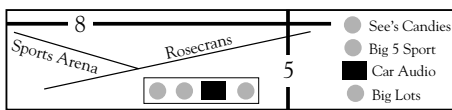


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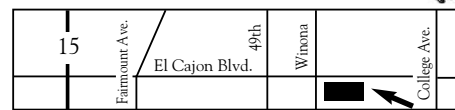
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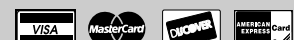
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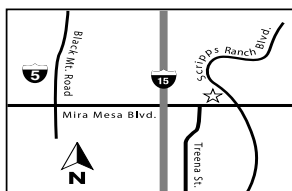


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“The Catholic Church has departed from the truth and is now an apostasy! The entire denomination from the Pope to the youngest member, if they stay Catholic, will die and go to hell. The Catholic Church has completely departed from the Christian faith and is a wicked tradition. If you are Catholic you are going to burn in hell,” shouted Tom Elwood, as people arrived to attend Mass at St. John of the Cross. Elwood held a sign that read “God Kills, Repent” on one side and “Jesus Caused 9/11” on the other. Two men walked over to confront Elwood and request he leave. Elwood shouted louder, “You are going to burn in the lake of fire if you don't leave the Catholic Church.” One of the men became angry and shouted that Elwood wasn't wanted there and told him to leave. After the men walked away, Elwood said, “See how he got irate, it is because he hates God and God hates him.” Elwood handed me a pamphlet put out by A True Church (www.atriuechurch.com). He said he drove down from Los Angeles to picket the church.

I attended St. John's Divine Mercy Mass where congregants can receive Plenary Indulgence for sins already forgiven. Inside the nave, a large stepped baptistery and fountain contained holy water. Worshippers dipped their hands into this water and blessed themselves. White walls soar upward to stained-glass windows. Several hundred parishioners filled the white-oak pews for the 8:30 a.m. service.

The songs for Mass included “We Walk By Faith,” “We Remember,” and “Behold the Lamb,” led by a group of singers, a piano, drums, and violin. Father Alex Aquino's sermon was about Doubting Thomas. “Faith is more difficult in our age. Mystery is on its way out. Who could blame Thomas for not believing Jesus had rose from the dead until he had seen the Lord,” said Father Aquino in a heavily accented English. “Thomas echoes moments of our own religion. We have questions about the authority of the Pope, our Bishops, and the Church. We have moments of time when we are in crisis of darkness. Believing challenges us to change our lives and attitudes. Lack of fervor, especially for Catholics, may be the lack of sight of the moments in our lives when all else

fails, except our faith in the Lord.”

After Mass, many people refused to respond to my questions. Others, after I asked a question, would not provide an answer.

I asked Mary Jones about the legacy of John Paul II. “John Paul will be remembered for going to all the nations and supporting peace. John Paul was such a great man. He was one of the best Popes.” Jones said she was nervous because there was no acting Pope.

Sacristan Craig Isley said, “John Paul will be remembered for his work with Russia, the Berlin Wall, helping end the Cold War and opening dialogue.” Isley said John Paul II helped the Catholic Church connect with the Jews. “The Jews, through their own faith are saved,” said Isley when asked if faith in Jesus was necessary for salvation. “I think just seeing Jesus as a prophet is good enough. That and if they go around and be a good person. This has a lot to do with [salvation].”

Ana Ingued, the church receptionist, spoke about the Catholic Church after John Paul II's death. “I see the Church flowing on just fine. It

may open up a little as times are changing. For example, working with homosexuals and learning more about their community,” said Ingued. I asked if she thinks they should allow homosexual marriage in the Catholic Church. “No. I do not support this.”

“[John Paul II] led an ecumenical movement,” said Deacon Martin Villafañá. “We are now closer with other denominations and faiths. For example, with the Jews and Muslims, there is a mutual respect with each other. We no longer are attacking each other; we are trying to all be one.” I asked Villafañá if he had a Jewish friend if he would want that friend to believe that Jesus Christ was the Son of God. “We are not going to discuss this. It doesn't matter who is right or wrong. I just attended a meeting of interfaith leaders. We have a good friendship with them.

We have the same parents, in Abraham. Our faiths share the same origins.” I asked Villafañá if people can be saved if they don't believe in Jesus Christ as God. “I think so. There are many ways to be saved. Maybe in their own way they'll be saved.”

I spoke to Father Aquino who moved here several years ago from the Philippines. “In the Philippines, the Church is more traditional and conservative. In America, there is more of a liberal belief in the Catholic Church. I think people call them Cafeteria Catholics. These people take from the Church what is good for them and if it isn't good, they discard it,” said Aquino. “For example, the Church in the Philippines teaches respect for human life. Here, a lot of Catholics go out and get abortions.”

I asked Father Aquino what happens after a person dies? “They will have life after death. They go to be with God.” I asked Aquino what happens to people from other faiths after they die. “This is between a person and God,” Aquino replied.

— Drew E. Goodmansom



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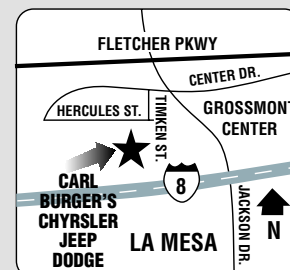
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Dear Saffron,

I'm 22 and I graduated from San Diego State University last year. I was lucky enough to get an interesting job shortly after I finished school. I dated a fair amount in college, and have a group of friends that I value — a mix of people I knew in high school and college. Lately, though, I don't want to see my friends much or go out with anyone. I still like my gang; I just feel kind of lost and out of it with everyone. Though this is really not like me, or how I used to be, I just want to stay home all the time. I don't like leaving my apartment and when I force myself to go on a date or hang out with friends, I just keep secretly looking at my watch to see when enough time has passed so I can say good night and go home without seeming rude. I feel a million miles away. I can't see the point of socializing anymore and have lost my taste and knack for it. I've gotten into the habit of making excuses (saying I have a cold or a migraine) to get out of going anywhere besides work. At the office I do my job efficiently but have started keeping more to myself. When coworkers ask me to lunch I make up some reason why I can't go. My dog seems to be the only one I have the inclination to keep company with. My friends have started asking me what's wrong, why I'm sick so many nights, and how come when they do see me I'm so quiet. What can I tell them when I don't know myself why I feel this way?

ODD WOMAN OUT IN EL CAJON

Dear Odd Woman Out,

People have different social appetites, and some of us do like to log a lot of time alone, but this sudden shift in your lifestyle is worrisome. What's happening to you sounds painful and sad, and I think there must be some underlying reason why you suddenly want to hole up in your apartment and isolate yourself. I know this sounds like the standard line, but please, please find a sympathetic doctor or psychologist or psychotherapist, someone you like and trust and discuss this change you've undergone. I don't think the problem is what excuse to give your friends, but rather why you're withdrawing from your fellow humans, and what can be done about it.

Dear Saffron,

My next-door neighbor and I share a common alleyway that runs between our two houses. You enter it by a gate. It's about seven feet across and the property line runs right down the middle. My neighbor has really cluttered it up, keeping wrecked window frames, bricks and paving stones, broken chairs, etc., strewn there. It's all his junk. I don't have anything stashed in the alley.

Both our water and gas meters are on the sides of our houses along the alley, and also some of my phone and cable wiring. The gas meter reader and the telephone repairman complained that they can hardly get through the alley to do their work because of all the obstructing junk. The gas guy said, "You should really clear out that alley because if someone comes to read your meter and trips over this trash and gets hurt, you'll be liable." I talked to my neighbor and he said, "Yeah, I should do something about all that stuff. I'll take care of it next weekend." But many weekends have come and gone. I keep bringing it up. He promises to act but the alley stays clogged. I have good relations with this man otherwise but I'm getting ticked off. How can I get him to clean up his mess in this lifetime?

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Dear Hemmed In,

Pay a polite visit to Mr. Pack Rat in his den. (I hope his house is in better shape than the alley.) Tell him that if the alley isn't spick-and-span by (name a date), you're going to have to hire someone to clean it out. His collection of trash is impeding repairpersons and is a fire hazard. If the deadline passes and nothing happens, get a couple of estimates on cleaning the alley and hauling the junk away. Show him the best estimate and tell him you need a check for that amount, made out to whomever you hire to do the work. If you want to be magnanimous, you can offer to split the charges with him since you share the alley, but since it's his stuff, he should really do the job himself or foot the bill for someone else to clean up after him.

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— EVE KELLY

"Rain, rain, go away; come again some other day," I said, staring at the puddles in my saturated front yard. This was maybe the third time this year I'd planned a picnic, a proper outdoor meal with husband Patrick and friends Bernice and Frank. Wine, bread, cheese, pâté, and cold salmon — all ready to go the night before, all eaten indoors as we watched the rain fall outside. I like preparing food, but I'd had enough. I decided to search out premade picnic baskets, the sort that would be ready to go at a moment's notice on a surprise sunny day.

Linda Gorin at The Best to You (858-578-2740; www.thebest-toyou.com) told me, "We have all kinds of picnic baskets. Right now, we have a spring special on The Sunday Picnic [\$100]." The large, double-handled, dark wicker basket includes cheese, crackers, sausage, black olive tapenade, wine biscuits, cookies, chocolate, nuts, and more. "We buy our gourmet goodies from all over the country," said Gorin. "We have a hickory-maple-smoked cheese that won Best Cheese in America. And we can customize any basket. If you're on a diet, we can put in healthy snacks, or make it sugar-free, or low-carb. We can make it kosher, or add more chocolate. Sometimes a really big family is going on an outing, and they want more food. Sometimes people want a scaled-down version." (Prices vary with various upgrades.)

These days, Gorin said, there's a trend toward "picnic baskets that come with all the accessories. They're lined, with pockets for silverware. They include the plates, the cutting board and knife, the corkscrew, the napkins, and the salt and pepper shakers." Along these lines, The Best to You offers a Romantic Picnic Basket (\$70, no food included) and a Family Celebration Basket, a pull-style tote (\$165, food included). Also, "Coffee backpacks, which can come with a stainless steel coffee service, two stainless steel mugs, containers for cream and sugar, spoons, napkins, and a compartment to put your baguette or bagels or goodies [\$57 and up]. You could have breakfast in the park. There are also wine carriers, which are really popular. You just add the bottle of wine; it comes with two glasses, a bottle stopper and a bottle opener, a cutting board and knife, and a place for your cheese and baguette."

"For workaholics, we have something called Picnic at Your Desk. It's a basket with a cutting board, knife, and cheese — and other foods that are easy to open. We put in some silk leaves, so they maybe feel like they're outside [\$50-\$150], depending on customization."

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A Gifted Basket (619-698-3226; www.agiftedbasket.com) owner Pam Monroe suggested "the deluxe picnic basket for four [\$140, deliv-

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ery \$7.50-\$17.50 depending on zip code). It's gorgeous, it's lined, and it comes with a blanket, melamine plates, eight-ounce wine glasses, stainless steel utensils, corkscrew, cutting board, and salt and pepper shakers. For \$60 more, we can add food. All the food can be opened up; there's nothing to prepare — things like cheeses, crackers, caviar, salsa and chips, salmon pâté, dried fruit, cookies, and really good candy. We can customize it when it's hand-delivered."

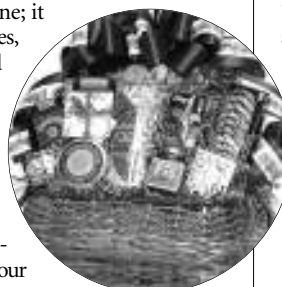
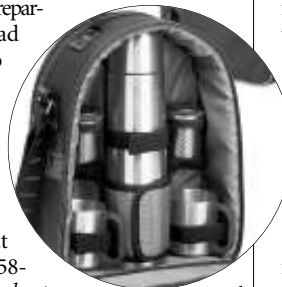
Amy Lind, owner of The Basket Corner (619-722-6893; www.thebasketcorner.com), described a few of her original creations. "People call and let us know what they're looking for and their budget. Last week, I designed a basket for a couple with twin two-year-old daughters. The budget was \$200, including tax and delivery. I used a large cooler, three by four feet, and got sand pails and towels with a preschool theme. There were animal crackers, juices, and kids' snacks. We also had a few gourmet snacks for the parents. And we received a design award for Picnic in the Park [\$124.95], which includes sparkling cider, flutes, a bottle opener, napkins, cutting board and cheese carver, plus gourmet finger foods like cheeses, chocolates, sausages, and nuts." Lind offers cooler/basket designs starting from \$49.97; baskets can be picked up at the studio or delivered (\$5-\$20, depending on zip code).

Last, in a fit of optimism, I called Jose Rojano at Bon Vivant Catering (619-442-4563, www.bvca-tering.com). I hadn't come across many catering companies that catered picnics. "We had a couple of clients who were going to the Starlight to catch a show," Rojano told me, "and they asked us to do a picnic basket for them." Now, it's a regular offering. "We feature three different baskets — and you get to keep the basket. The lower end, which we call the Lunch Basket [\$65], is a regular basket with a little throw blanket. It comes with Brie, fruit, and crackers, red potato-dill salad, gourmet sandwiches, and a Caesar salad. We have three different options for the sandwiches: a grilled vegetable sandwich, a grilled chicken sandwich, or a turkey/bacon sandwich on a croissant with alfalfa sprouts."

The Double-Lid Basket (\$85) includes "domestic and imported cheeses, crackers, fruit, a baby-greens salad, a chilled roasted game hen, and chilled asparagus." And the Deluxe Basket (\$125) features "plastic plates, cups, and utensils, a salad of mozzarella, tomato, and basil, chilled filet of beef on a bed of caramelized sweet onions, grilled seasonal vegetables in a light vinaigrette, shrimp cocktail, and a salmon pâté." All baskets offer two bottles of water.

"For an extra charge, we can custom-make you a menu, if you like," added Rojano. "Any special request. We could always make you a hot meal. Or, if you wanted it to be extremely special, we could arrange for the picnic to be set up at your choice of locations, with the blanket, candles, and music. Depending on what you want, we can go really expensive or inexpensive. Our prices include delivery, and we can meet you at the park."

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In the Reader

Thirty Years Ago

BABY: Let's live once more in velvet and winding staircases. We'll get our diamonds somehow. Tequilla.... P.S. Not you, Tony.

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TO: membership number 01368. I'm sorry but it still won't work between us.

FROM: membership number 03597.

— PERSONALS, April 10, 1975

Twenty-Five Years Ago

I had to slip in regularly something like, "Hi, I'm Bob Dorn on 13K and I'm sitting in for John Lander, who's having his voice overhauled." Even if I managed to think of something to say while I counted down the seconds of the Dr. Pepper commercial ("I'm a pepper, he's a pepper, and if you drink Dr. Pepper, you will find that you're a peppertoo"), or while I was stricken with anxiety over my failure to remember whether another commercial or a music cartridge was to follow, or while I was trying to make sense of what the sixth graders on the telephone were requesting I play, I had about six seconds to say it before stuffing another cartridge into the tape player and hitting the volume switches. There are reasons pop radio announcers are called jockeys. The race is to the swift, not the witty.

— "RIGHT BETWEEN THE HITS," Bob Dorn,
April 10, 1980

Twenty Years Ago

The Del Mar City Council passed a law to discourage cameramen from using that coastal village as a backdrop. Photographer Roscoe Smith got tangled in the law last week when a Del Mar lifeguard lieutenant ordered him off the city beach, where Smith was shooting pictures of a model. The lifeguard told Smith the city now "prohibits cameras on the beach," and rather than argue, Smith and his client drove to Cardiff to finish the photo session.

The Del Mar law requires that any commercial photographer obtain a 25-dollar city permit before shooting pictures on public property where traffic flow would be hindered or more than five onlookers might gather.

— CITY LIGHTS: "TEN DEL MAR LIFEGUARDS
POUNCE ON RICHARD AVEDON,"

Paul Krueger, April 11, 1985

Fifteen Years Ago

Regarding the clamor over "Housepets I've in All Likelihood Killed or Maimed" (March 15), the *Reader* should be applauded for printing an article which derided America's humanization of animals.

I would be the last to defend abusive



Valerie Stallings

treatment of animals, but ask any Third Worlder about Americans and their pets — they think it's mental sickness, and I agree.

In a nation where Spot and Muffy are getting two more daily squares than the majority of our neighbors to the south, it is nothing but escapist anesthetizing of the conscience to tirade in front of furriers, cruel as they may be, or waste print in the *Reader* over an article which was not meant to be taken seriously anyways.

— LETTERS: "SQUARES FOR SPOT AND MUFFY,"

Jauhn Hinkle, April 12, 1990

Ten Years Ago

Long before the printed word and stuffy ideas about literature turned up in my life, and long before I became the willing ward of schoolteachers, I was sleeping with words. I fondled and sniffed and placed my ear to their secret meanings. I soaked up the silences between syllables, tested them, tasted the saltiness or sweetness of them, and stared off into their bottomless eyes and down their dark, rosy throats.

— "SOMEBODY DONE HOODOO'D THE
HOODOO MAN," Al Young, April 6, 1995

Five Years Ago

The day Neon Systems, a Houston-based software maker, went public on March 5, 1999, its price shot from \$15 to almost \$27 a share. And San Diego City Councilwoman Valerie Stallings was along for the ride, to the tune of between \$10,000 and \$100,000, according to the 1999 financial-disclosure statement she's filed. Stallings reported she sold off the stock three weeks later, on March 31, 1999, right around the time the price spiked at about \$50 a share. The man behind Neon? None other than Padres owner John Moores, whose JMI Equity fund was a founding investor in Neon. Stallings is one of Moores's biggest supporters in his effort to build a taxpayer-subsidized baseball stadium downtown.

— CITY LIGHTS: "FEATHERING THE NEST,"

Matt Potter, April 6, 2000

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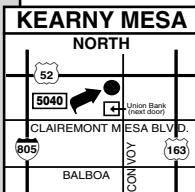
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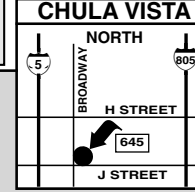
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Crasher

THE BEST NATION IN THE WORLD

by Josh Board

I went to a few interesting parties in March that I'm just getting around to writing about. One was at a place downtown called the Shout House. It was their first anniversary and also a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. The party started at 7:00 p.m., which would leave me enough time to go to other parties that night.

When Charice (who works in marketing) invited me, she mentioned something about "lots of free drinks." But when I walked in the door, there was a guy holding a bucket. He said, "This is a fundraiser, so we are asking for donations." I threw in \$20, thinking "So much for the free drinks." At fundraisers I feel strongly about, I never mind throwing in donations. And I have lost a lot of family members to cancer.

There were waitresses walking around with apple and strawberry martinis. I grabbed one as I looked at the items in the silent auction. They included hotel stays at places in Coronado, restaurant and theater packages, and other things. I was surprised the minimum bids were so low (\$50) when the items were valued around \$900 each. I sure hope the items garner what they are



worth. I do volunteer work for the Make-A-Wish Foundation and am bothered when their auctions get bids that are so much less than the items are worth.

A lady put a sticker on me that said "Cal Carrot says eat healthy." I told her people would think that was my name. She said, "No, I'm giving them to everyone." As she walked away, I told her it was bad timing to be putting the stickers



late: two huge cakes and lots of brownies and chocolates.

I thought the Shout House did a great job of not pushing people to donate. I heard one person say, "The best nation in the world is 'donation'." Charice

"I will keep doing this song until someone throws up a \$5 donation."

on us while we were in a buffet line that had pizza, chicken strips, fried shrimp, and egg rolls. I didn't see the desserts, which were on the other side of the room, until I was walking out the door and it was too

would occasionally take the stage to tell us how long we had left to bid on the items.

After an hour, the two piano players took the stage (they call them "dueling pianos"). I started taking a few

photos of the guys and an employee came up and said, "You have to refrain from videotaping the performances." He walked away before I could explain they were photos.

The pianists said that requests people made should be made with a donation for the charity. One of them started to play the song "It's Raining Men," and he said, "I will keep doing this song until someone throws up a \$5 donation." Within the first few words, someone threw \$6 onto the stage. We all laughed.

A guy next to me dropped his glass of wine and it shat-

tered. A few minutes later, someone tripped on the stairs behind me and dropped a plate of food.

An attractive blonde was walking around in a strawberry outfit earlier, but I never talked to her. It was only "carrot top" I got to chat with.

One of the piano players noticed her sitting at a side table and said, "That tomato stepped out of her costume." She laughed. He glanced at the buffet area and told the people sitting there that they had to sing louder. He said, "I want you singing so much, you're spitting on the food."

Someone next to me said "Gross." I didn't think that was as bad as the well-dressed white-haired man I saw eating a celery stick while standing in the buffet line. Is it normal for people to eat food while they are piling it on their plates? Would it kill them to wait two minutes until they got back to the table?

A man who looked like the late actor Jerry Orbach was called onto the stage. It was his birthday and they asked him to take his belt off. He did a striptease. He was then told to whip one piano and one half of the crowd would yell "Yee haw." When he whipped the

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other piano, the other half of the room would have to moo. They started playing "Rawhide," and he wasn't whipping the piano. Finally he got into the spirit of it.

Two girls were later called to the stage. One was reluctant to go, and I don't blame her. The people who made it up there were often made fun of. I noticed she was in a wheelchair. A few guys lifted her onto the stage and she was a great sport as they called all the men to the front of the stage to sing "You've Lost That Lovin' Feeling" the way the guys in the bar did in the movie *Top Gun*. The singers, who often changed the lyrics to make songs funnier, sang "Bring it on back/Now hop in the sack."

When someone requested a Def Leppard tune, one of the piano players went to the drum set. He put one of his arms inside his shirt and played one-handed. (The drummer of Def Leppard lost an arm in a car accident.) Someone next to me said, "That drummer rocks, but he looks like Doogie Howser."

I left a little after 9:30, when two new piano players took the stage. They were both from Mission Viejo, and I'm not sure if they normally drive down for gigs here.

I talked to Charice, who was sitting at a table with signs promoting the Relay for Life on July 30, also raising money for cancer. She told me they had made \$3,400 at this party.

I drove to my next party wondering if I'd feel guilty partying with no money being raised for charity. Maybe if a few people reading this donate to the American Cancer Society, it will rid me of the guilt.

The second party was in Rancho Peñasquitos. The bands started at 8:00 p.m. and I got there in time to see the second one. The band I missed was called Epstein's Mother. When I asked about the name, the explanation was, "On the show *Welcome Back, Kotter*, Epstein always had a note from his mom that he gave

to Gabe Kaplan. It was always signed 'Epstein's Mother'."

The band I caught was called Medieval Knivel. Another great band name. They were playing a lot of fun covers of songs by the Clash, Van Halen, and the Ramones.

I walked into the back yard from the outside, and since it was packed with people, I walked into the kitchen. I heard one guy say to a woman, "Do you know that guy? If not, he's outta here." I thought of the party I went to a few months back where my photos were taken from me. The guy who invited me to this party had jumped on stage with the band. The woman came over and said 'Hi,' so I told her who I was. I didn't have any problems staying at this bash.

There were signs that said "People's Irish Party." That's what Jeff calls this annual party. I asked him if the neighbors minded, since the bands played on a stage set up in this small back yard. He said, "No, the neighbors are all pretty good about these parties."

Above the band, there was a film screen set up showing an old movie. I asked a woman living at this house about that. She said, "It's called *Metropolis*. It's a German film from the '20s. A classic. You should rent it." The scenes of the futuristic city worked well with the music. The group Queen used a clip from this film in one of their videos.

Though the back yard was small, it was set up nicely for a party. They had coolers in one section and foosball going in another area. The light above the foosball table was being attacked by moths, which kept distracting the guys playing. At one point they were trying to swat the moths and knocked the light down.

I went inside the kitchen to grab some peanut M&Ms and I noticed all the booze on the counter. That's nothing new at a party, but what was interesting were the signs. They had directions for six

different drinks you could make. There were instructions on how to make white Russians (the favorite drink of "the dude" in *The Big Lebowski*), cosmopolitans, martinis, and a few others. I wondered if this is how they did it at those cheesy bartending schools I see advertised on TV at 3 a.m.

I smelled pot being smoked, but when I glanced around, I couldn't tell where it was coming from. It wasn't as if I was going to go over and smoke it with them. I was just curious who was tokin'.

The band's last song was the popular tune "Baby Got Back," by Sir Mix-A-Lot, which is about the rapper's love of overweight women. They did a punk-rock version of it with lots of bass. It sounded like the group Primus.

Whenever the cute girl who lived here started talking to me, I ended up talking more with her friend Scott, though she had some interesting things to say. I recall her telling me about a trip she took to Hawaii with her boyfriend and seeing a girl who lost an arm to a shark while surfing.

The friend I brought with me to this party said, "Everyone here is going to think you're gay because that guy is the only one you're talking to." "That guy" was Scott Riggs, who works for Rock 105.3, where I used to work. We knew some of the same people and talked about them. But we spent more than an hour talking about our favorite bands, both local and national acts. He has great taste in music and I liked the philosophy he has regarding his radio

show. He does an interview show, so we talked about people in the media that we thought sucked. I mentioned how I thought Larry King was probably the worst interviewer of all time. (My grandmother, rest her soul, loved him; I think it was because he's Jewish.)

I glanced at my watch and it was 1:30 in the morning. That's not usually too late on nights that I'm partying, but the first party had been at 7:00. I still wanted to go to the Ould Sod. They were having their St. Patrick's Day party. Last year when I was there, I ended up decorating my friend's dashboard with all the shots of whiskey I had that night. I was eager to get back on that horse and to show the Irish guys who own that joint that I could handle my liquor.

I figured the bar would be closing soon. Maybe I'd just go there the following day. I could grab an Irish coffee and rent *Metropolis* at Kensington Video on the same street. I'm just afraid the movie won't be as good without a live band accompanying it.

I turned on the TV when I got home. Sure enough, I saw a commercial for a bartending school. ■

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— My dad

I have been bitchy all week — irritable and quick to anger. People are annoying me, I'm annoying myself, but more than anything, drivers on the road are driving me crazy — my road rage has been a spectacular display of misdirected fury. Or *is* it misdirected? I think the recip-

ients of my rage should be held accountable for eliciting from me the unattractive emotion. David, calm as an incarnation of Buddha, disagrees.

Last weekend on the way to L.A. for one of David's gallery openings, he told me I seemed "overly concerned" with other drivers on the freeway.

"But that guy is riding my ass!" I snapped in my defense.

"Then get out of his

way," David suggested.

"No. *He's* the asshole, so he should have to go around *me*." Even as I said this, I realized how childish I sounded. But it seemed impossible to change my behavior in the heat of this irksome moment.

Unfortunately for David, the two-hour drive was nothing but a series of such moments.

"Look at that one. No blinker. What a dick," I said. David sighed.

Thoughtless drivers — impolite lane changers, tailgaters, unnecessarily slow movers, and aggressive weavers — ruffle my feathers. When confronted by a thoughtless driver, I can't help but curse out loud.

Angrily muttered words run

together on my tongue — fuckbitchdickslut, assmunchingpinprick.

"Barb's not happy unless she has someone to curse at on the road," David said recently to my sister Jenny, who was riding with us on the way to dinner.

"Don't listen to him, Barb," Jenny responded. "You have every right to be pissed." This from the woman who once angered a driver so much he followed her to our apartment on First Avenue. Hearing the commotion from my living room that evening, I stepped outside and made it to the side of the enraged driver's vehicle before he could get out (Jenny had already parked, but his car was right by our door).

I argued with the man about the impropriety of his actions while he simultaneously attempted to shush the poodle on his lap and scream "BITCH" after Jenny, who was taking refuge inside. This psycho eventually backed out of our parking lot, burning my ears with creative obscenities as he did so. I sighed with relief, thinking, *Thank God this guy isn't packing. I can see it on the 10 o'clock news: "Sisters shot by poodle-loving man who claims that road rage counts as 'temporary insanity.'"*

"Next time you've got some wacko following you, try not to lead him to where you live," I advised Jenny when I got inside. I'm sure she didn't hear me; she was still fuming over the incident.

"Can you believe that guy? I was trying to get around him at the light; it was going to change! He must be on crack. GOD! Can you believe that?" I could, because I had seen how riled people get on the road.

I was shocked when I rode with my Aunt Carol in New York City. Between her work with drug-addicted newborns and breast-feeding mothers, Aunt Carol strikes me as the epitome of goodness. However, behind the wheel this calm Dr. Jekyll turned into a fear-inspiring Mrs. Hyde. Before that day, I had never heard such words come out of her mouth. Soon after, a Disney cartoon about Goofy transforming into a demon when he started his car explained to me what had happened to Aunt Carol. The same thing happens to me now.

Some road rage is understandable — if someone cuts you off, it's natural to think poorly of him. But other triggers of rage are irrational. If I see a Hummer, I am pissed at the driver, regardless of whether or not she has committed a driving faux pas. I consider the vehicle itself to be a morbid atrocity, and therefore the mere sight of it angers me. I doubt any of the sparkling-clean Hummers I encounter downtown have ever seen the rough terrain for which they were intended — an impracticality that annoys me to no end.

I'd read of one woman who enjoyed her Hummer because "If I get in an accident, I

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win.” To calm myself when I’m confronted with one of these absurd beasts, I imagine all the parking spaces my svelte Corolla slides into easily that the massive Hummer must pass by.

Whether understandable or irrational, I have never acted on my anger; seeing one do so is frightening. Once, on the way to a party, Stephanie and I saw an insane display of road rage. We don’t know what the young girl in the blue sedan had done to piss off the guy in the silver car, but his actions were so crazy and hazardous I called 911.

The road, somewhere near Pershing Drive, went from one lane to two. Blue was in front of me, and Silver was at the head of the line. Silver stopped. And we waited. I thought maybe his car had broken down. But then Blue tried to pass him, and Silver moved to block her. When we got to two lanes, Silver continued to harass Blue, driving parallel, then speeding ahead to stop short in front of Blue. Stephanie and I were shocked and worried that Blue would get run off the road. When we got to the party, Stephanie and I speculated about the relationship between Silver and Blue.

“She probably cheated on him.”

“Or maybe he’s abusive, and she’s trying to get away.”

“Or even scarier. Maybe they don’t know each other at all, and it’s a road rage thing.”

One time I was caught off guard by an act of rage. The initial driving sin might have been mine, but if so, I was unaware of it. I was on Washington Street, heading toward the 163 on-ramp, where people turned left onto the ramp (this was before the traffic lights were installed). I was about to turn when the sound of a horn distracted me. A woman swerved her car in front of me, *parked* it perpendicular to mine, stepped out of her car, and made her way toward me, screaming all the while. I locked my doors and turned to my sisters, Jenny and Heather.

Heather held up her cell phone and pretended to call the police. To this day, I’m not sure why she only pretended.

Jenny, who was in the backseat, made dirty faces at the woman now shouting at my window — it was hard to understand her, but I caught the words “my baby” a few times. I was laughing hysterically — a nervous defense mechanism. Finally, the honking cars behind us resolved the battle, and the woman got back in her car and peeled out onto the on-ramp. As she drove away, I noticed for the first time the child seat in the back of her car.

I consider myself to be a respectful driver, which could be one of the reasons I get so upset when others don’t show me the same courtesy. But if the offender is visibly angrier than I, my cursing ceases. The front of a blue truck was nearly kissing my Corolla’s ass on Adams Avenue yesterday, and I could see the driver’s face contorted in frustration. You cops don’t need to hear this, but I was already going over the speed limit. With a dangerous swerve into oncoming traffic, the guy passed me. As he did so, I met those furious eyes with mine and smiled at him.

Sometimes all it takes is a smile and a wave to diffuse someone’s anger. When I merge, even if I had to nose my way in front of an unrelenting vehicle, I smile and send my hand into the air in a universal “thank you” wave. I hope that two things occur: (1) The driver who wasn’t letting me over now feels guilty. (2) The driver realizes that an extra car in the lane isn’t the end of the world and slows to let others in when appropriate, rather than speeding up to block them. I *always* let people in my lane, and I am *always* appreciative when someone else does the same. But I still indulge in a little rage.

David and I are on our way out to run some errands. He’s made me promise not to curse at other cars on the road. Maybe I should go without him. ■

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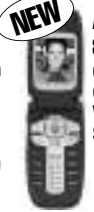
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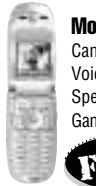
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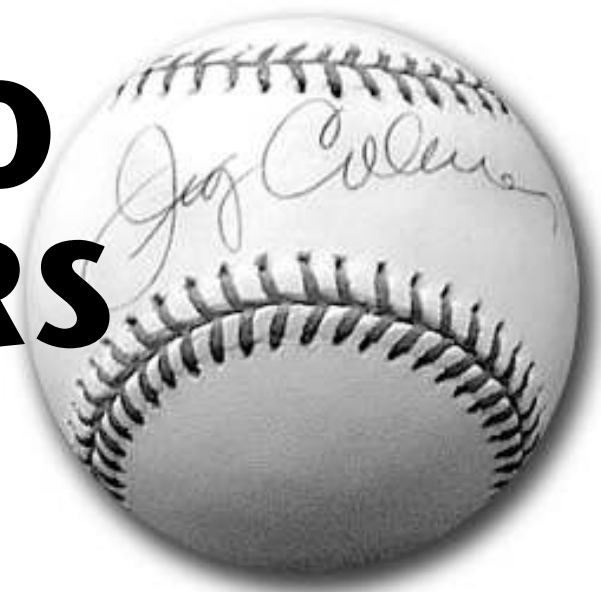
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West Coast to Wellsville

Before Jerry Coleman was known as the Voice of the Padres, the Master of the Malaprop, or the Colonel, he was born Gerald Francis Coleman in San Jose on September 14, 1924. His boyhood years were spent playing baseball in San Francisco.

Coleman drew the attention of Yankees talent scout Joe Devine, who had been instrumental in signing Joe DiMaggio years earlier. Devine had put together a semipro team in San Francisco, the Keanelly Yankees, which was sponsored by a bar and grill at 14th and Valencia.

"Keanelly was named after a bar that was owned by a guy who never drank," Coleman remembers.

All through high school, Coleman played third base and shortstop for the Keanelly Yankees and for Lowell High. Two other Bay Area ballplayers, Charlie Silvera and Bobby Brown, also played on the Keanelly Yan-

kees. In 1949, the three would be teammates in the major leagues.

The summer after graduating from high school, Coleman went to Wellsville, New York, to play for the Wellsville Yankees, a Yankees farm team. But late that summer, as Coleman approached his 18th birthday, the dream of playing baseball was overtaken by a desire to serve his country.

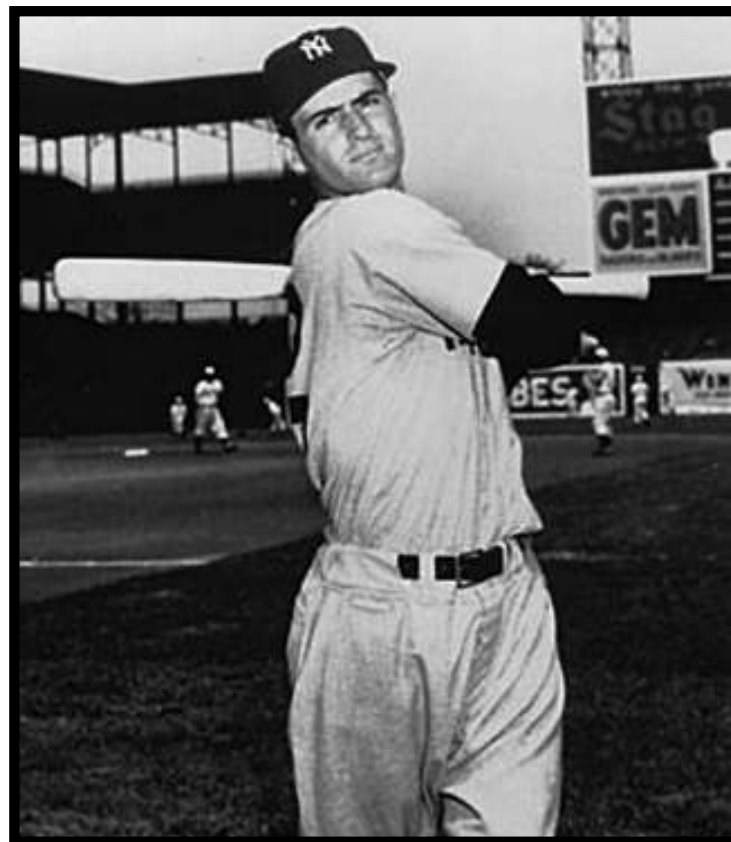
"We were all a bunch of kids," Coleman says, "and when [World War II] started, we all wanted to be heroes. I was trying to get into USC at the time, but when our season ended September 6, we went down to the recruiter, and that was it. They got us all."

Coleman joined the Navy and was accepted into the naval aviation cadet V-5 program. "It took a year and a half to learn to become a pilot. From October 1942 to April 1, 1944. With April 1st being April Fools' Day, I

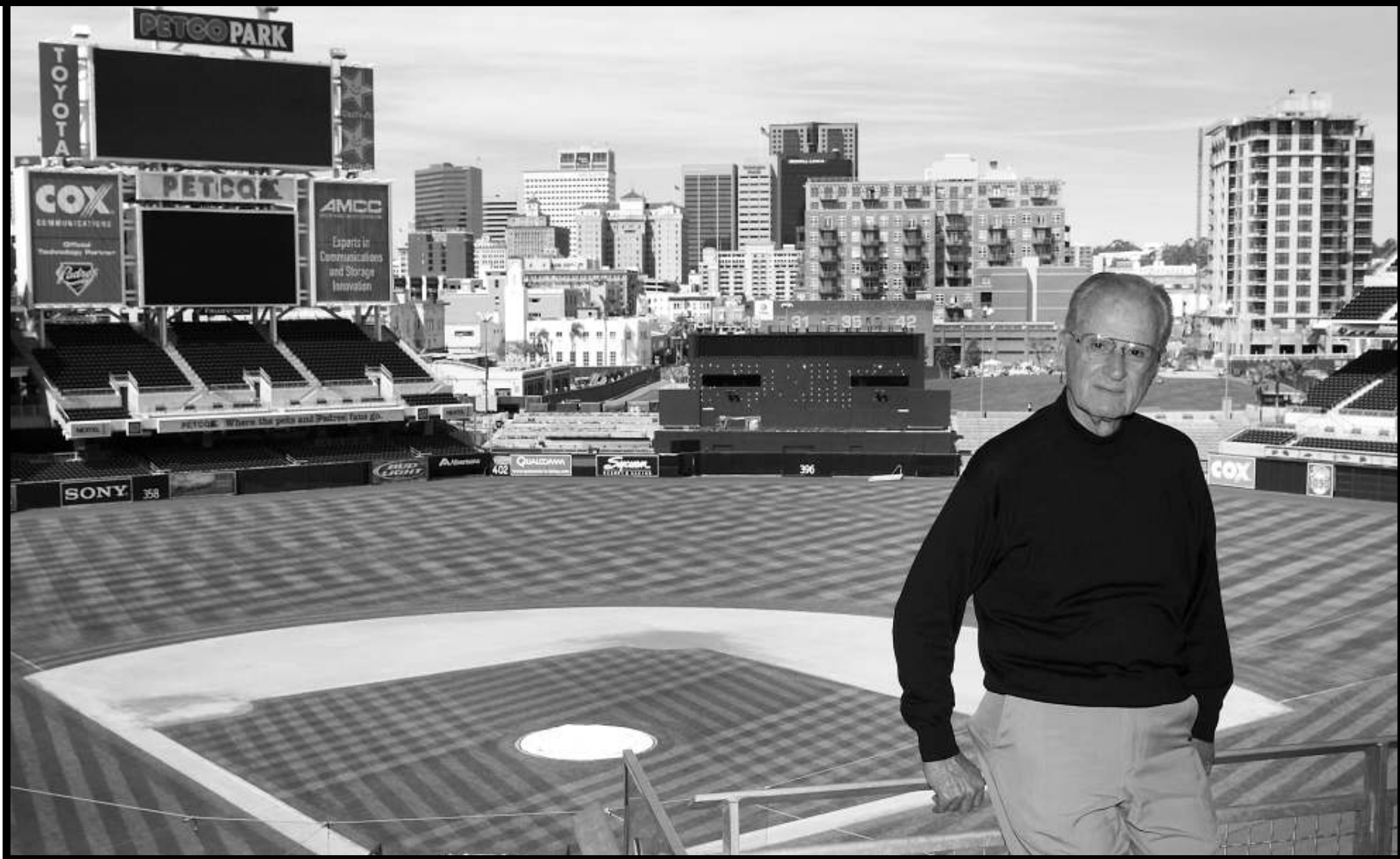
thought they were joking!"

After opting for a commission as second lieutenant in the Marines, Coleman, in August 1944, shipped out to

Guadalcanal, where he joined his squadron, VMSB-341, also called the Torrid Turtles. He flew a Douglas SBD Dauntless dive bomber, com-



Jerry Coleman, Yankees, c. 1950



Jerry Coleman at Petco Park

pleting 57 combat missions in the Solomon Islands and the Philippines.

When the war was over, Coleman retired to the inactive reserve list and once again turned to his love of baseball. For the next three years, he played on farm teams. In 1946, he played for the Binghamton Triplets under Lefty Gomez; in 1947, for the Kansas City Blues. "I spent time in spring training with the Kansas City Blues under Bill Meyer," Coleman says. "I was the last to get cut. I was always the last to get cut." In 1948, playing for the Newark Bears, Coleman left his regular positions at third base and shortstop to fill their need for a second baseman.

The next year he went to the New York Yankees' spring training, and they kept him on the squad. "I showed up to the Yankees organization as a second baseman under Casey Stengel," Coleman says. "Casey always liked having the younger guys on the ball club. I got lucky because Frankie Crosetti was no longer with the team and George

'Snuffy' Stirnweiss, the regular second baseman, got injured and was out for three weeks. I was able to start Opening Day as the Yankees' starting second baseman."

The Bronx Bombers

In the preseason of 1949, the polls were split as to whether the Boston Red Sox or the New York Yankees would take the American League pennant. It was questionable whether Yankee veterans such as Joe DiMaggio and Tommy Henrich would be able to play regularly. The experienced stars were battling menacing ailments and soreness, not to mention the conjecture of fans and writers that they were past their prime. Without DiMaggio's and Henrich's bats in the everyday lineup, most polls predicted that the Yankees would not be able to contend.

"Everyone liked to say that the Yankees were known for their home run hitting," Coleman acknowledges. "But they actually had some great pitching, with guys like Ed Lopat, Allie

Reynolds, Vic Raschi, and Joe Page, our closer."

On April 20, 1949, Coleman made his debut with the Yankees. Jerry Coleman's ability to turn the double plays and make use of his bat got him instant recognition and helped put the Yankees in contention for the pennant. The last day of the regular season is most memorable for Coleman. The rivalry between the Yankees' Joe DiMaggio and the Red Sox's Ted Williams led to an unforgettable pennant race, with New York one game behind Boston in the standings.

"The AL pennant was it," says Coleman. "We go into the final series a game behind the Red Sox for the pennant. If the Red Sox win 1 out of 2, they win it and we're out of it. We're down 4-0 in the first game and come back. The pennant comes down to the last game of the season, and we take it. The bases were loaded and they decided to walk..." He trails off and to punctuate his point says, "These were the Red Sox. With Dom DiMaggio, Mel Parnell, and Ted Williams. That

was definitely the highlight of my career."

Earlier in the inning, Joe DiMaggio had hit into a double play, bringing Coleman up to the plate with two outs and the bases loaded. Coleman got a hit to right, which resulted in three critical runs. Red Sox second baseman Bobby Doerr threw

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Coleman out trying to stretch his hit into a triple, but the damage was done. Those three runs were the difference in a 5-3 win that put the Yankees in the World Series.

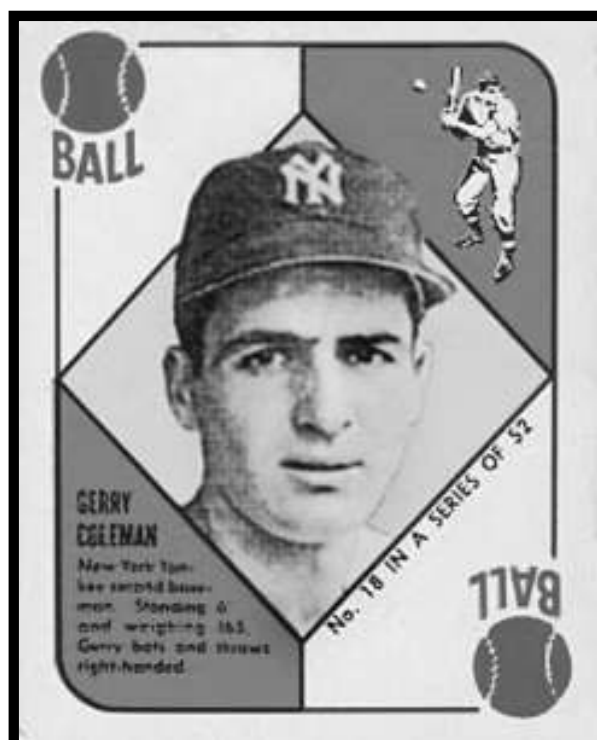
The Yankees beat the Brooklyn Dodgers in five games to win the World Series. Coleman, who scored a run in the ninth inning to give the Yankees a win in Game 3, was named the Associated Press Rookie of the Year. Not a bad year for a rookie second baseman.

The following year, 1950, proved to be better in terms of Coleman's stats. He hit .287 and drove in 69 runs. His performance got him named to the 1950 American League All-Star Team. Coleman was also named the Most Valuable Player in the 1950 World Series,

when the Bronx Bombers successfully defended their World Championship. As he had the previous year, he stepped up to the plate in the late innings of Game 3 in the World Series and had a game-winning hit, going 3 for 4 with 2 RBIs. The Yankees swept the Philadelphia Phillies in four straight games, thanks to the handiwork of World Series Most Valuable Player Jerry Coleman.

The Pinstripe Pilot

On June 25, 1950, North Korea invaded South Korea. Major League Baseball Commissioner Ford C. Frick was concerned about the effect the Korean War would have on baseball. It had been only five years since teams had lost players to World War II.



"In the winter of 1951 I was back at my home on the West Coast," Coleman says, "and they asked me how I'd like to go back to the service. I said, if you want me, take

me — take me now. The reason ballplayers went to war was that we were short on pilots. Forty pilots is the normal complement of pilots in a squadron, where we had only 16

at Los Alamedas."

Coleman played a few token games for the Yankees before he was recalled for active duty in May 1952. Yankee players Whitey Ford and Billy Martin were also called. Coleman flew the Chance Vought F4U Corsair on 63 missions with his squadron, VMA-323, the Death Rattlers. He was the only baseball player called to active combat duty in both World War II and the Korean War. San Diegoan Ted Williams also served in both wars, but Williams remained stateside during World War II.

In a 2002 article in *Officer* magazine titled "The Splendid Splinter," the late Ted Williams remembered an incident in Korea involving Coleman:

"We were not in the

same squadron," said Williams. "I was in jets and he was in F4Us. Corsairs.... Jerry went out on a bombing run, [and] he had a heck of an experience. If it had happened to me I would have been useless over there. Jerry had a full load of bombs and he was on this dive-bombing mission. He was the third one to go in. He rolled out of formation and started his run, he was lining up on target behind his buddies...gathering speed...and the Corsair right dead in front of him was totally blown away. One minute he was there and the next minute there was a flash and he was completely gone. Well, that was enough to take the starch out of anyone."

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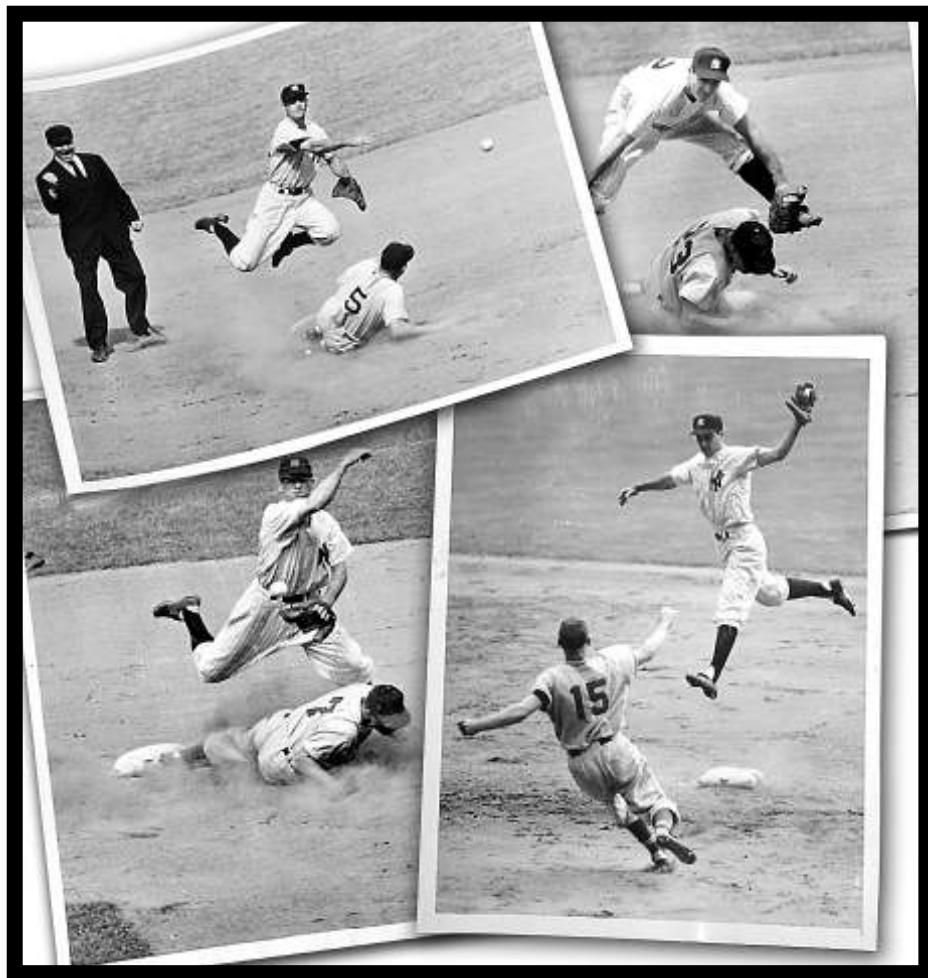
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which happened on the K-6 airfield at Pyong-taek, in northwestern South Korea. "We had a short runway at K-6. We had 55 runways in Korea, named K-1, K-2, K-3, and so on. We had 3500 pounds of bombs strapped on and only a short distance at K-6. There was a little bump in the path on the runway, and every time someone would hit that bump, they would be bounced up and down and sideways. One time I hit the bump and the engine stopped. Here I am with the screeching brakes at about 100 yards off, so I let the bombs go. One of the bombs hit a part of the tail on its way out, which tipped the plane and the propeller caught the ground. The plane flipped over. When it hit, I found my knees behind my ears and the strap choking me." The ground crew rescued him before he



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suffocated. "I had passed out. I told them that I had a big migraine headache.

They put me in the hospital, and I was up at 4:00 a.m. the next morning, business as

usual."

In August 1953, Coleman's active-duty service ended and he

was given a Medal of Decoration. He went back on the reserve list, retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1964. His combat service in two wars stands with an impressive 120 missions to his credit. He received 2 Distinguished Flying Crosses, 13 Air Medals, and 3 Navy citations.

Second Chances

Coleman returned to the States in the fall of 1953 and played a few token games at the end of the season.

In 1955, the Yankees took the American League pennant but lost the World Series to the Brooklyn Dodgers in a Game 7 shutout.

Coleman appeared on Ed Sullivan's *Toast of the Town*.

"I made appearances on the *Toast of the Town* a couple of times," Coleman says. "One was with Elston Howard, the first black

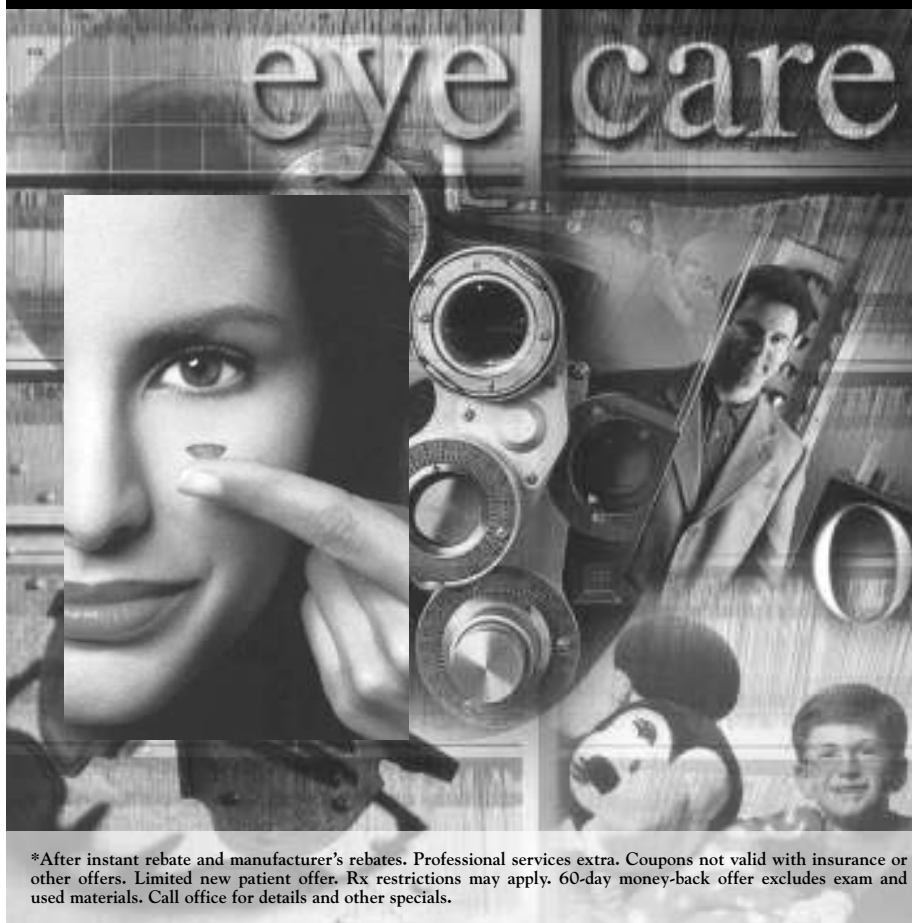
Yankee player. Another was with Pee Wee Reese and other ballplayers. I have never been comfortable with the hero status. The show was not always about ballplayers in the war. Sometimes they just wanted to discuss baseball."

In 1956, the Yankees won the World Series again. Don Larsen, from Point Loma High, pitched a perfect game in Game 5. No other pitcher has ever thrown a no-hit game in the postseason (although another Point Loma High pitcher, David Wells, would pitch a perfect game for the Yankees in the 1999 season).

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bana Club in Manhattan, Yankee players including Martin, Mickey Mantle, Whitey Ford, Hank Bauer, Johnny Kucks, and their wives were on their way to see the headliner, Sammy Davis Jr., when they found themselves in an altercation. Some accounts had the Yankees involved in a brawl with a drunken heckler who was found lying in the bathroom passed out with a broken nose. Coleman remembers that the evening also involved someone forging the signature of Yankees owner Dan Topping Jr.

"I was invited along with the others, as were all of the wives," Coleman says. "But I did not drink, so I said, 'I don't think I'll make that one.' Those guys did like to have a good time. This time it was unfortunate. Someone in the group signed the bill to Dan Topping Jr. Signing someone else's name is illegal, but they did it, and Topping was livid. He fined the ballplayers \$500 each. At that time \$500 was quite a lot of money."

A month after that evening, Billy Martin, who was considered a bad influence on his

roommate Mickey Mantle, was traded to the Kansas City Athletics. Coleman became Mickey Mantle's room-

Green Monster at Fenway Park, not knowing that this one would be his last.

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Coleman's call of "Oh doctor! You can hang a star on that one" would be his trademark phrase.

mate and he was given a chance to play the remainder of the 1957 season. That year Coleman hit his 16th career home run over the

magazine article, the late Ted Williams remembered Jerry Coleman's 1957 season: "We're in a pennant race with the Yankees.

Coleman's playing for the Yanks, and of course I was at Boston, and I'll be darned if he doesn't get the winning hit. He hit this little fly into the right-field corner. Our right fielder darn nearly broke his neck trying to get to it. Jerry gets a triple, two or three runs score in the ninth inning and the Red Sox lose. Jerry Coleman won the game and the series for those Yanks. He was one heck of a guy, a handsome guy, a real scrapper, a heck of a ballplayer."

In late September, the Yankees clinched the pennant, and Cole-

man played his final regular season game as a Yankee. The Yankees faced the Milwaukee Braves in the World Series and ended up losing the Championship. On December 29, 1957, after nine seasons with the Yankees, Coleman was released. He ended his career having played on six World Series teams. He batted .263, with 723 games played, 2119 at bats, 558 hits, and 17 runs batted in.

Coleman was offered a job in the Yankees' front office as director of player personnel. "It was after the

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last half of the season that George Weiss offered me a job in the Yankees organization,” Coleman says. “It was either that or move back to the West Coast. We were living in New Jersey at the time, and that was one of the things that I did right. I took the job he offered as a player rep in the Yankees’ front office so that my kids could finish out their school in the same school system in New Jersey.”

As a player rep, Coleman was instrumental in negotiating a player contract with Sy Berger of Topps. Topps Chewing Gum, which made Bazooka bubble gum, had entered the baseball trading card business in 1951, competing with industry leader Bowman. Berger was the creative mind behind the modern practice of including statistical and personal player information on



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baseball cards.

“Topps was coming in over Bowman cards,” Coleman says. “A lot of players began signing with both Bowman and Topps, which did not seem right. But finally this guy at Topps says, ‘Okay, here’s a two-year

contract! Go for it and get out of my life!’ ”

Asked if it bothers him that some players sign autographs only if they are paid at a memorabilia show or convention, Coleman says, “Well, I’ve done three or four of those myself.

I have to. I have a daughter in college I’m paying for. I’ve never solicited it; people have asked me to do them. If a player doesn’t sign at the ballpark and only at shows where they are paid, that’s wrong. And there are some kids that

can’t afford it or are disadvantaged and from poor families. Nobody should refuse to give a child an autograph.”

Coleman remained with the Yankees front office until 1959. Two years after he left, his

former roommate, Mickey Mantle, was in a race with fellow teammate Roger Maris to break Babe Ruth’s long-standing single-season home run record. Coleman’s future broadcasting partner Mel Allen referred Mantle to a doctor who botched an injection and put him in the hospital, thus ruining his chances of breaking the record.

Roger Maris did break the record, hitting 61 home runs, but an asterisk was placed by the new record because the schedule had been lengthened that year. The record has since been broken by Mark McGwire, who hit 70 home runs, and Sammy Sosa, who hit 66. They’ve both been accused in the recently published book *Juiced*, written by McGwire teammate Jose Canseco, of taking steroids. Barry Bonds, who hit 73 home runs in 2001 and

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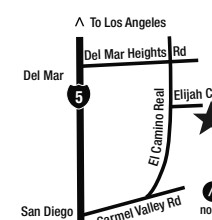


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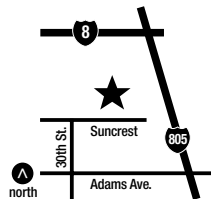
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currently holds the record, has also been implicated in steroid use. Should they have asterisks by their names?

"Well, any player that has been proven to have taken steroids should have an asterisk by any record or award they have won," Coleman offers. "And that includes these players that may have won MVP awards," he adds.

That could be a reference to the recently deceased Padre Ken Caminiti. The 1996

National League Most Valuable Player was the first major league player to admit steroid use. In a February 28 *San Diego Union-Tribune* article, general manager Kevin Towers revealed that he did nothing about Caminiti's suspected steroid use because it was helping the club win games.

Asked if he suspected Cammy of taking steroids, Coleman replies, "No. No, I didn't. He was such a nice person. It's really sad what happened. The worst thing is, he lost his kids, he lost his life, everything. He was really a delightful person, he really was. But he was weak. He had this weakness that he never was able to overcome. If I was the commissioner, you'd get a one-month suspension for the first offense, a year for the second, and you would be out of

baseball on your third strike. The new testing rules that baseball is implementing are certainly a step in the right direction."

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In 1963, Coleman started doing play-by-play broadcast for the Yankees on WCBS Radio and WPIX TV in New York. The broadcast lineup consisted of Mel Allen, Red Barber, Phil Rizzuto, and Jerry Coleman. Yankee fans would remember a time when Red Barber and Mel Allen were in the

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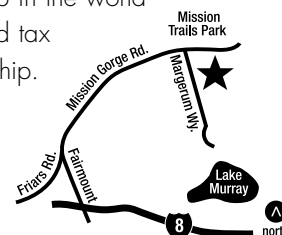
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broadcasting booth covering Coleman and Rizzuto.

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would take to make it in broadcasting today that they need to go to bed with a dictionary and learn a new word once a day. And then you need to send out about 5000 biography sheets, and maybe you got half a shot."

After the 1964 regular season, Mel Allen was fired for unspecified reasons. He was replaced by Joe Garagiola. In 1964, Rizzuto and Garagiola covered the skid that would be the end of the Yankees' dynasty. The Cardinals,

led by star pitcher Bob Gibson, became World Series Champions with a win at Busch Stadium.

The legendary Red Barber was fired in September 1966, after he insisted that the cameraman show

empty seats in Yankee Stadium. The number of Yankee fans who came out to the ballpark was a record low of 413.

In 1968 Frank Messer replaced Garagiola. In 1969 Whitey Ford was added to the

mix. After the 1969 season, Coleman moved back to Southern California.

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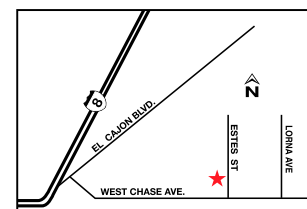
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postgames for the then-California Angels on KTLA Radio. He would cover the CBS Radio Network's *Game of the Week* for 22 seasons and call Major League Baseball's annual All-Star game for 20 seasons.

The previous year, 1968, Buzzie Bavasi, the former general manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers, had come to San Diego as a minority owner and president of the San Diego Padres. It was at that time, when Coleman was still living in New York, that he first considered working for the Padres.

"I was in Vero

Beach," Coleman says. "Buzzie said to me, 'I know you are going to California...' He tells me he would like to hire me, and then he proceeded to hire Jerry Gross and Duke Snider instead."

Under Bavasi, the San Diego Padres entered Major League Baseball as an expansion team in 1969.

Two years later, after Coleman had moved to L.A., "I ran into Buzzie in Chicago," says Coleman, "and he said he'd like to hire me. He did, and in 1972 I worked with Bob Chandler, Dave Camp-

bell, and of course now with Ted Leitner. At that time I had preferred to work with jocks because I was comfortable talking to jocks."

The Padres struggled to put a winning team on the field. Bavasi says, "I made some good acquisitions here...Colbert, Cito Gaston, Winfield, Randy Jones, Rollie Fingers, Ozzie Smith. The best acquisition I made for this town was Jerry Coleman."

Master of the Malaprop

An article about Jerry

Coleman would be incomplete if it did not mention his famous flubs, known as "Colemanisms." Although not as popular as Yogi Berra's "It ain't over 'til it's over" or Casey Stengel's "Most ball games are lost, not won," Coleman's quips are just as memorable.

What does Coleman think of people being critical of his flubs?

"Dizzy Dean and Harry Caray are two others that made mistakes," he says. "I don't pay any attention to it. I really don't care. It doesn't bother me."

Coleman on the truth: "You never ask why you've been fired, because if you do, they're liable to tell you."

Coleman on extra base hit: "He slides into second with a stand-up double."

Coleman on swinging strike: "McCovey swings and misses, and it's fouled back."

Coleman on Randy Jones's Harpo haircut: "On the mound is Randy Jones, the left-hander with the Karl Marx haircut."

Coleman on Joltin' Joe DiMaggio: "DiMaggio seldom showed

emotion. One day after striking out, he came into the dugout and kicked the ball bag. We all went 'oooooh.' It really hurt. He sat down and the sweat popped out on his forehead and he clenched his fists without ever saying a word. Everybody wanted to howl, but he was a god. You don't laugh at gods."

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as well as Coleman's neighbor in La Jolla, bought the Padres for \$12 million to keep them from moving out of state. Coleman was part of the '70s Padres organization that saw future Hall of Famers Ozzie Smith and Dave Winfield, veteran Willie McCovey in a brief stint, Randy Jones winning the Cy Young Award, and a 1978 All-Star game at Jack Murphy Stadium.

That same year, 1978, the Baseball Hall of Fame established the

Ford C. Frick Award, named after the radio broadcaster and baseball commissioner. The award honors recipients for "major contributions to baseball broadcasting." Coleman's mentors Red Barber and Mel Allen were the first to be recognized.

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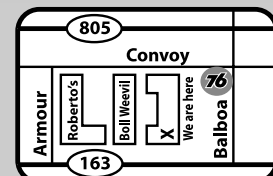
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Diego Padres named Coleman their manager for the 1980 season. "I managed for one year," Coleman says. "I'd say that we started in dead last and were able to hold on to that position in the standings for the entire season."

Although the team enjoyed a fast start with an Opening Day win and took three of four games against the Giants at Candlestick Park, the Padres faded

and placed last in the National League West.

"People would come up and say, 'You have three Hall of Famers in Ozzie Smith, Rollie Fingers, and Dave Winfield. Why can't you win?' I'd tell them, 'Yeah, but there are 22 players that you are forgetting about.'"

Just as quickly as he was hired, Coleman was let go in October 1980, after posting a 73-89 record. He returned to

the broadcasting booth. It's not uncommon for ex-jocks to make the transition into the broadcast booth from managing. NBA coach Pat Riley, who at one time played for the San Diego Rockets, did the exact opposite. After his playing career, he worked one season in the broadcast booth with the legendary Chick Hearn, before becoming the Lakers' head coach and having a

successful coaching career.

When Coleman made it back to the broadcast booth for a second stint, Padre players were critical of his tenure as manager. When it was his turn to critique from the booth, the players were surprisingly receptive.

"I never had a problem with any of the Padres players," Coleman says. "Tony Gwynn is a man I consider as one of my best friends. If I go out there one night and say something like Gwynn should've caught that one — that's the end of it. You can't let it go on. Some play-

ers let it go on. He knows he should have had it too, but it's easy for guys sitting on the bench to second-guess when they just don't know."

Coleman had a broadcast highlight in 1984, calling the game that included the greatest single hit in Padres history. With the Padres down two games to one against the Cubs in the National League Championship series, Steve Garvey hit "The Shot Heard 'Round San Diego," blasting a home run in the ninth inning to force a deciding Game 5. In that game, the Padres overcame a

3-0 deficit to best the Cubs and advance to the team's first World Series.

Another great year for Coleman was 1999. He celebrated his 50th season in Major League Baseball and also saw his good friend Tony Gwynn immortalized into the 3000-hit club, accomplishing the feat in 2284 games.

On June 23, 2000, Major League Baseball honored those baseball players called up to duty in a commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Korean War. Coleman represented the players as Commissioner Bud Selig laid a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery.

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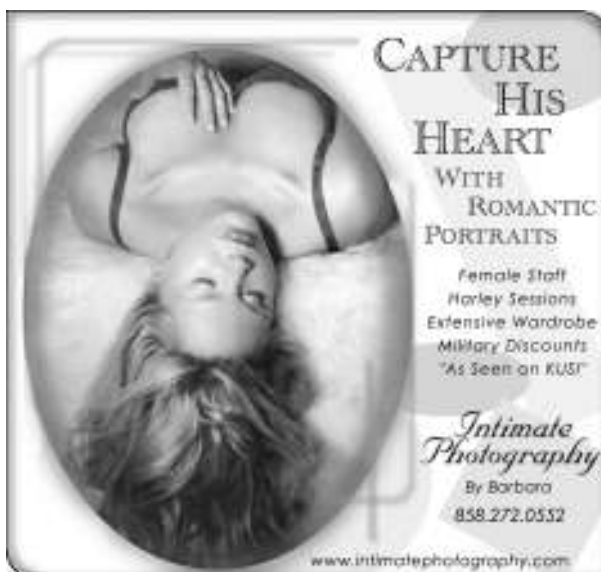
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Coleman and Buzzie Bavasi were inducted into the San Diego Padres Hall of Fame the following year. In place of a number, Coleman entered with his signature star.

Beyond 2005

This January the Padres announced the addition of their former player and third-base coach Tim Flannery to the broadcasting booth, as Coleman cuts back on his work. He's had a stellar career in baseball, a career that you could hang a star on.

Coleman will be honored during Hall of Fame Weekend, starting July 29, in Cooperstown, New York, along with Hall of Fame inductees Wade Boggs and Ryne Sandberg.

By being named the recipient of the 2005 Ford C. Frick Award, Coleman will once again join Red Barber and Mel Allen as well as legendary broadcasters Vin Scully, Ernie Harwell, Curt Gowdy, Harry

Caray, Joe Buck, and many more.

Regarding Allen and Barber, Coleman says: "I broke in with them and worked with them. To be mentioned with them is an honor."

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Having broadcast over 6000 games as the voice of the Padres, you'd figure Coleman would have some elabo-

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A few weeks ago, a statistics project hit the senior class hard. Late into the night before the project was due, panicked, sleep-deprived seniors sat at home in front of their computers, entering data about the colors of a handful of M&M's.

Like many of her classmates, Kristin had procrastinated on her statistics project. With the pressure on, she popped a few orange and blue pills of the prescription drug Adderall before she began her homework.

"It was good," Kristin says. "I was up all night. I went crazy. I was able to hyper-focus and plow through the project." A student with a 4.3 GPA, Kristin is friendly and talkative. She takes mostly honors classes and hopes to go to a top-tier college. In fact, she is not unlike many of the high-achieving students that attend Torrey Pines High School. But she does procrastinate. Occasionally, she uses Adderall to get her work done when it piles up.

"I've probably used it ten times in my academic career," Kristin says. "I save it for big projects and tests."

Adderall is prescribed to treat children and adults with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). The drug has been on the market since 1996 and makes use of amphetamine to help counter the inattention, hyperactivity, and impulsiveness experienced by those with ADHD.

Recently, Adderall generated a following of users who do not have ADHD. These abusers are high school and college students and, at least according to ABC's *Desperate Housewives*, even overworked mothers. They use Adderall as a "mental steroid" when they have too much work and not enough time.

According to Dr. Martin Stein, a UCSD professor and cochair of the ADHD guidelines subcommittee for the American Academy of Pediatrics, there is no published information about the pervasiveness of Adderall abuse.

"There's no way to know exactly how widespread [the abuse



is]," he says. "But I've certainly heard about it."

The number of prescriptions given for the drug has boomed: from 200,000 in 2001 to 6.4 million in 2003. It comes as no surprise that all of the students interviewed for this article first received Adderall from a friend or relative with a prescription.

"I had a lot of work to do for finals," says Alisa, who tried Adderall for the first time a few weeks ago. "My friend has a prescription and was, like, 'Seriously, it makes so much of a difference.' I just took it to see how it would affect me. It helped a lot."

Alisa sped through pages of notes for her physics and calculus finals. She became fascinated with Newton's equations, transfixed with derivatives, enrapt-

tured with kinematics. Alisa was so intent on being productive that when she finished studying, she cleaned her room for hours.

Alisa's experience is not unique. According to Kristin, "I've had a lot of times where, literally, from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. the next morning, I haven't even left my chair. I just work straight through."

Kristin describes her thinking on Adderall as "very lucid." She uses words like "optimistic" and "clear" to describe her mindset. She also says she's talkative. "I end up getting into huge philosophical discussions if I ever take a break to talk to anyone," Kristin said. "I'm just very excited about everything."

Adderall does have its drawbacks. Gia has been using Adderall since her sophomore year when her sister, who has

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a prescription, gave her some to help her study. According to Gia, several hours afterward, the Adderall-induced high comes with terrible lows.

"Your body gets very tired, but your mind is still alert," Gia said. "I lay in bed and my body is sore and exhausted, but my mind is still going a mile a minute. It sucks."

According to Dr. Stein, these adverse effects result from high doses of Adderall. The drug comes in varying doses, most commonly in blue 10-milligram pills and orange 20-milligram pills. Taking 30 milligrams or more in a short period of time is considered a high dose, says Dr. Stein. He refers to the exhaustion that Gia describes as the "rebound effect."

Dr. Stein says that taking high doses of Adderall can result in hypertension (elevated blood pressure) and potentially abnormal heart rhythms. It can also adversely affect a user's brain. The minor side effects of Adderall, which can result from dosages below 30 milligrams, include decreased appetite, prevented sleep, motor twitches, and headaches.

For Gia, these negative side effects do not seem to matter when all she can think about is the calculus final she has the next day. She admits that although she initially took 20 milligrams at a time when she began using Adderall, she increased her dosage when she began using the drug more frequently. She said she has taken up to 90 milligrams of Adderall over the course of a night to help her study.

Although Adderall addiction is something Gia, Kristin, and Alisa fear, they say that they are careful to keep their Adderall abuse to a minimum, using it every few weeks. Still, Dr. Stein warns that Adderall should not be used as a "mental steroid."

"Adderall is not a designer drug," he says. "I'd recommend just drinking coffee." ■

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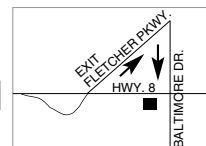
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The Book Club

A discussion at the library in Mission Hills

'Mysteries," says the sign above the shelves. From rows of books below, John Parker removes one hardback, examines the cover, opens to a page, not the first page. He reads a few lines, riffles to another page, reads more.

His hair is thinning; some red, some gray. Wire-rimmed glasses, aqua sweater, gray trousers.

His watch tells him 6:45. This Mission Hills branch stays open tonight — it's Monday. He slaps the book closed, reshelves it, glances to his left. The library is almost deserted. Tiny voices — two or three — from the children's section, Washington Street traffic, just outside the door. Washed-out light through high windows. For a moment, nothing happens.

John sees the door swing open. Two women, under 40, walk in, turn left into the children's section. Each carries a purse, a book. They reach a certain table near John, seat themselves.

John turns back to the shelves, lifts an arm, aiming for another book.
"Hi, John."



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Two months ago, John read a posted bulletin in the Mission Hills branch public library. The library was seeking a qualified volunteer to lead its

monthly book discussion group. The senior librarian, who launched the enterprise four years ago, hadn't time enough for its proper management. John Parker — accoun-

tant, part-time poet — stepped forward and was enlisted.

At John's first meeting with the group, he passed out nametags. For that month's reading



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assignment, to prepare for tonight's discussion, they chose *The Rules of Life*, by English novelist Fay Weldon. Some members had read other Weldon novels, like *The Heart of the Country* and *The Shrapnel Academy*. John spread notice of the choice with a pile of homemade fliers, set on the library's checkout counter, inviting the public to attend tonight's meeting.

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Nearly 7:00. John sits at the head of two child-sized tables butted end to end. Photocopied pages from *The Rules of Life* rest on his notepad. Joan and John F. sit to his left; to his right Patty, Lee, Lucy, and Doris.

Lucy and Lee, the

also read *The Shrapnel Academy*. She wears a shirt and slacks. Has a pixie's voice. "It takes place in a graduate school for military officers; and these people have a banquet on the anniversary of the Battle of Waterloo. There are supposed to be ten servants living downstairs, but actually a hundred are living down there, and they're plotting against the bourgeois people upstairs. One of them brought their dog, so at the climax of the novel, they disembowel the dog and grind him up and make pâté and serve it as a midnight feast. Anyway, it ends up the whole place *blows* up from a bomb one of 'em has invented. It was a great ending, but —" she

"All this weird stuff — in another novel, this woman is writing the book from the nuthouse because she'd killed this other woman on this funky float?"

early arrivals, chat quietly. The two, along with John F., are longtime regulars. The rest are first-timers.

"Okay," says John, "I think we can start." He places palms on the table. "Will everyone give me their first reaction to Fay Weldon?"

Lee glances at Lucy, turns to John, shows thumbs down. "No way!" she says.

"I agree, John," says Lucy. "Left me *so* cold." Lucy wears glasses and a gray sweatshirt. "I felt like throwing the book out the window. I'm, like, 'Who publishes this?'" Shakes her head. "John, I've also read *Heart of the Country*, and it just meandered on and on about this divorced woman sleepin' around with one guy, and her friend's sleepin' around with another guy, and half their crowd were on the dole."

"Well," says Lee, "I

inhales, cocks her head — "it was bizarre."

"I have a question." Joan looks 50. Dark skin, black hair, high nasal voice. "What does the laundry mean?" she asks John. (The assigned book's central character is obsessed with laundry.)

John is distracted; he sees a long-skirted woman approach the far table. "Hi. You're new, and you are...?"

"Jane," she says, seating herself on the end. She's middle-aged, with severe eyeliner, polished nails.

"Jane? Did you read this assignment, Jane?"

"I missed," Jane starts, unsurely, "the point of it all."

In unison, the others explode into laughter.

As convulsions ebb, Lee says, "Her writing is very precise. In *The Shrapnel Academy*, she has these fantastic things — plot, counterplot. It takes technical

expertise to manage bizarre characters and somehow get them to interrelate, and I thought blowing up was a nice way to finish."

"John, did you like it?" asks Lucy.

John smiles. "Oh, I love *The Shrapnel Academy*."

"Didn't it bother your stomach when they were cuttin' that dog?" she asks.

"I think your stomach *should* be bothered once in a while," he says.

"So," Lucy wonders, "what was the point of *Heart of the Country*? These people are all unhappy and all on the dole and all divorced and messin' around."

"It's a rather inaccurate picture of life in England," replies John.

"But then," says Lucy, "all this weird stuff — in another novel, this woman is writing the book from the nuthouse because she'd killed this other woman on this funky float?"

"I find that is what life is like," John says, soothing his temple. "Maybe you live in a different world than I do."

Lucy stares ahead. "I don't know about *your* world," she says softly, "but life isn't like that in La Mesa."

"Anyway," John concludes. He searches his sheaf of photocopies, pulls one out. "What do we think of this?" John reads, "'One of the great rewards of my life has been the discovery that there is always a better lover than the last.'"

Silence.

Finally, Lee says, "I haven't discovered it."

Faces mask emotion. "It's a *possibility*," she adds.

Lucy half whispers, "I couldn't say that; I'm monogamous."

Silence.

"It might be that you learn —" Joan wavers. "As you grow older, you learn more, and you appreciate more, and so" — her eyes search for help — "what makes a good lover is what you *think* about the person? Or..."

John F. — around 40, bearded, shirt and



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tie — speaks for the first time. His words are nearly inaudible. “Some people just live in the present, and the present’s always there in the past.”

Group leader John scans faces around the table. “No one else got any experience from this?” He fixes on Patty’s nervous features. Sixty-ish, straight gray hair, faint-voiced; she forces a smile. “Not” — her voice cracks — “to share.”

John relents, returns to his photocopies. “Now what about this.” He holds a page before him.

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“This is the scene in your library, and she writes, ‘The year was 1956. Now in those days it was considered very unhealthy for men, physically and mentally, to be sexually aroused and then not satisfied.’ ” John’s speech is rapid, murmurous, like flowing water. “ ‘Men were convinced of it, naturally, and women quite seriously believed it. As for self-satisfaction, that was out of the question since — as some said — it made a man blind, or at the very least — as others said — it rendered a man impotent. So once a girl had, as it were, aroused and excited a man (and she could do that simply by existing, let alone standing staring up at him in a warmly glowing library in a blue and white checked dress, so virginal as to challenge a man’s virility) it was her duty to satisfy that need.’ ” John raises his eyes. “No one ever heard that? I heard that all the time in the 1950s.”

Doris — fiftyish, pale blonde, neatly coiffed — says, “Only from the boys I dated.”

Joan concurs. “Oh, yes, men did say that.”

“It’s a good line,” says Lee, smiling.

“It was a famous joke about a guy on a plane,” says John, “and he would say to the hostess” — with a growl — “ ‘If I don’t have sex, I’m going to die.’ It was a joke among men all the time, and apparently a lot of men still, uh...”

“Try that line,” says Lee.

Titters.

John has another excerpt. “It says, ‘Of all things, boredom is the most aging.’ ”

No response.

“Well,” John says, “I know so many people who have gotten old being bored. Mostly wives. You can see it in their faces after five years of marriage.”

Joan sounds an *aww*, as one might on seeing a furry puppy.

“So what is the point of the book?” Lee asks John. “I mean, what is she doing with this clever writing of hers?”

“What do *you* think

she’s doing?”

“Well, I don’t know. I wonder if perhaps her whole point isn’t to make fun of society. *The Shrapnel Academy* certainly takes the military upper crust in England and shows the absurdity; but also, the people trying to overthrow that — she shows how useless that will be — you know,

loses her husband to a very beautiful woman and how she got her revenge. No sweet understanding; she made their lives *absolutely* miserable.”

“Roseanne Barr,” says John. “We all know who she is? The woman who’s proven that fat is in? She’s gonna make a movie out of this. As for

“As you get older, it’s harder to find new ideas, because you’ve heard it all before. The reason I like science fiction: It has more new ideas per page than anything else.”

everybody will be blown up. So okay. But then, in *The Life and Loves of a She-Devil*, what is she railing against there?”

Lee has only heard about this Weldon novel; Joan has read it and offers a summary. “Well, it’s about a very homely, awkward woman who

Fay — she is the heroine of her own books, and this is her revenge. There’s a picture of her in one of her early books — she is a *blimp*.” Joan takes her copy of *The Rules of Life*, finds Weldon’s photo, but John tells her, “You don’t see it there; there she’s thinned

down.” John reaches over, taps the photo. “But this is her.”

“This is Fay,” says Joan.

“This is her,” says John, “fighting against a world that doesn’t like fat women. These plots are her little fantasies. Obviously, some man did her wrong...”

“*Must* have,” Lucy whispers.

“...and went off with another woman, and this is her: Fay is the she-devil. Just *huge* — or she *was*. And fairly plain, at that time, and she was just writing it all out and getting even with this *brute* who’s probably responsible for her literary success.”

Lucy is transfixed. “Must have gotten dumped *really* bad.”

“I’m happy to hear that all you women are quite satisfied with the record of men.” John wonders at the cool response to Weldon. “I mean, no one here seems to find that a man ever

done her wrong.”

A woman — mid-30s, shirt and jeans — appears at the table, standing behind Lee.

“We have a late-comer,” John announces. “You are...?”

She says, “Joan,” drags a little chair between Lee and Lucy, sits down. This Joan, Joan W., is a veteran attendee.

“Joan, you want to put a word in about Fay Weldon?” John asks. “Everyone else hates her.”

“I found myself wondering,” she says, “if I’m mixing my reds and whites in life — is that why my laundry looks pink?”

“Well,” says John, after a pause, “I think we’ve finished with Fay. No way for Fay, okay?” He puts photocopies aside. “So what next? One suggestion I have is Barbara Pym, who has been called today’s Jane Austen. She writes about spinsters — gray little ladies on the margin of

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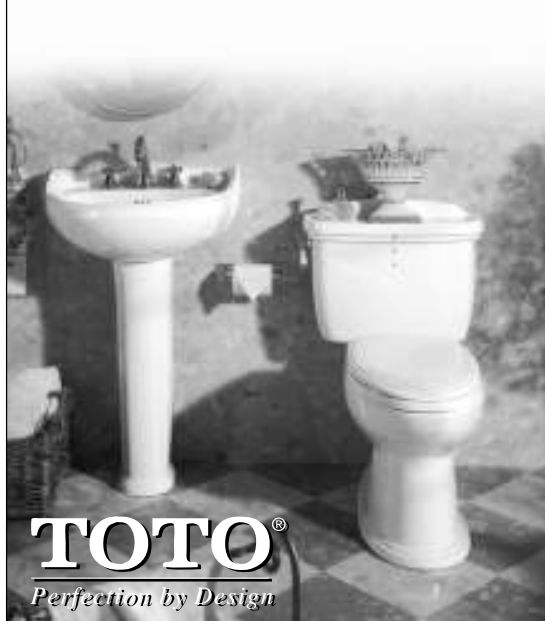
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Joan W. asks, "What about science fiction?"

John looks at John F. "He's the expert."

"I never got into it,"

Joan W. says.

"Me neither," Joan

says.

"I *tried* once," Lee

says.

Quietly, John F. states his case. "As you get older, it's harder to find new ideas, because you've heard it all before. The reason I like science fiction: It has more new ideas per page than anything else."

Joan W. says, "I was intrigued by a tape I checked out. Basically, the story started before birth; then the two characters are born, and they fall in love, and they meet in the afterlife. It's called *Forever*."

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Oates was
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poet, now
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writer."**

John looks at her. "Do you really want that kind of world? Like that coffee commercial, where she knows her brother?" He mimics in falsetto, " 'Didn't he have the nicest blue eyes?' Ever see that one?"

"Oh, yeah," says Lee, "the girl is moving into the room."

"She moves in," John says, "and the other one is wearing the..."

"Oh, the T-shirt!" says Lee.

"...beautiful T-shirt, and it turns out she used to date her brother or something like that."

A chorus of appreciative *uh-huhs*.

"Well, we haven't heard from the rest of the table," John says. "Doris, tell us what you think."

"Well," she begins, "I don't read what you'd call 'women's books': Barbara Cartland and those type. But I do like Daphne

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John F. utters a tiny "No."

"Do you have any strong feelings about anything, John?" Group leader laughs.

Joan wonders, "You ever read Joyce Carol Oates? She makes Fay look normal."

"Joyce Carol Oates was a good poet," says John. "Now she's a bad writer."

"John," Lucy admonishes.

"Today," says John, "I was reading *The American Poetry Review*. Had an article on South American poetry, and there are very few women poets. It's not a matter of getting it published, because in South America they'll just about publish anything."

Joan W. says, "The family read a wonderful

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troubled. "Total opposite. It — it almost sounds like — *satanic*."

Fifteen minutes later the group chooses a John Mortimer novel as the next assignment.

"I'll go along with that," says John. "I'm not one of those bossy men." He gathers his materials. "So we're all set, and we'll meet here in a month."

Meeting closed. Slowly, a swell of chatter builds over the table, as it becomes host to several conversations.

"...find me a new genre. Sydney's been working on me with biographies. That was eight months ago..."

"...bodice rippers..."

"I've certainly been broadened..."

"...better dream nutrients..."

"...remember that Hemingway jag? Lucy and

I — we didn't like it. It was those two bizarre women, who were not representative of our sex..."

John gets up, papers in hand.

"...rampant reincarnation..."

"...a real ugly sleeper..."

"...Maybe I've achieved too much..."

John walks to Lee's chair. She looks up. The others, gabbing briskly, are oblivious. He points to her copy of *The Rules of Life*. "So why'd you think I liked this book so much?"

"No, no!" says Lee.

"It's just — I thought —"

"Just like me — is that it?"

"No, John, it was just...different enough.

Maybe that's your mistake — you're tryin' to find a women's book. And maybe you don't

understand."

John's gaze searches the table; no one is listening.

"I've never claimed to understand women."

"Good," says Lee, "good."

John steps back.

"Both my wives told me that."

He walks away, out of the children's section, toward the door.

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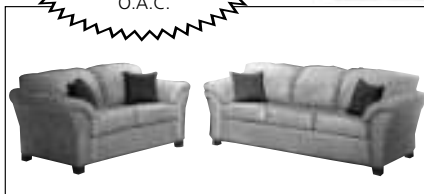
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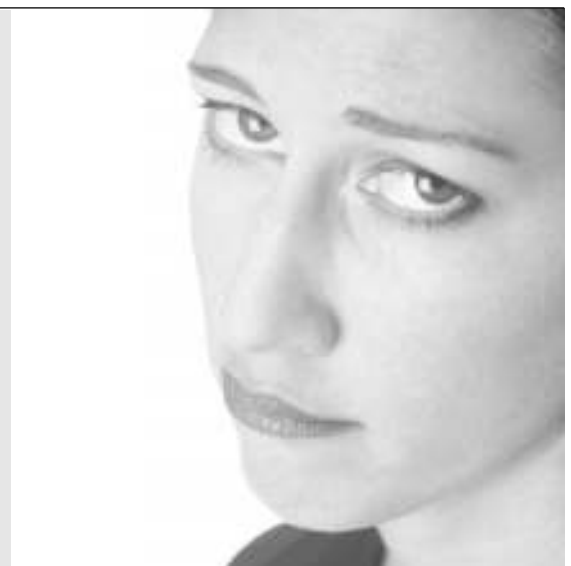
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should consider working for this newspaper, which the Copley Press owned until the middle of the decade and which was

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There were other ironies on my last day. I've kept a page from *Tribune* editor Fred Kinne's memo pad on which he scribbled the name Bob Carney and the words *Sacramento Union*. If I should want to continue in journalism, Kinne told me, I

subsequently sold by Copley to a man the South African government says bought it with South African government money, money that country shelled out in order to better plead its case before the American public. Kinne might as well have leaned across his desk and said he had one piece of advice for me: "Plastics."

In the eight years I worked at the *Evening Tribune*, the most common public complaint I heard concerned the paper's political bias. For years, both local Copley papers were edited and supervised by men like Lt. General V.H. "Brute" Krulak and Captain "Andy" Anderson, fussy budget retired Marine and Navy brass who were capable of issuing orders that stories on anti-war protests refer to the people in the streets as "hooligans," not demonstrators. It was bias of that sort that prompted reporters to tell me things were better now than in the old days, before I joined. But questionable judgments continue today. Alone among the print media of this city, the *Tribune* declined to mention that Si Casady would enter the mayoral race against Pete Wilson until Casady made the standard declaration weeks after it was well known he was running. Then, weeks into the open campaigning, the *Tribune* produced a profile of Pete Wilson written by

two reporters who had intended to do a mildly critical article on his Saturday-morning meetings with selected councilmembers. What appeared instead was a story accompanied by a large photo of the boyish mayor that left readers with the impression that all Wilson was doing was spending long hours at his job. This kind of journalistic marshmallow is standard fare from all San Diego papers, and it likely would raise no eyebrows in off-election years, but the *Tribune* published it in the middle of the campaign. When Dick Tullar, the Union-Tribune's advertising director,

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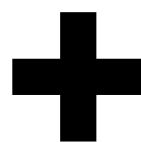


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However, it is inaccurate to conclude, and certainly foolish to assume, that the *Tribune's* politics are ordained in the La Jolla headquarters of Copley Press and interpreted by men like DeBakcsy and Tullar, or even that they are handed down directly from the fifth-floor administrative suite in Mission Valley, where Helen Copley's and the late Jim Copley's names shimmer in brass welcome. Life and the *Evening Tribune* are not so simple as that. For one thing, as nearly as I could determine while I was there, Mrs. Copley is seldom at the newspaper, and if there ever had been a monolith of political attitudes, the *Union* has gone a long way toward bringing it down, with recent specials on boodling Jaycees, official violence in the jail, private-industry lien-sharks, and especially, Alex Drehsler's excellent reporting from Nicaragua that was clearly sympathetic to the Sandinistas and in an area of the world where the Somozas and Pinochets have historically been Copley favorites. So some realities previously untouched by Copley newspapers are now being reported. But not nearly so many of them are being reported in the *Tribune* as in the *Union*. (It used to be the other way around.) When C. Arnholt Smith fell under federal indictment and lost his U.S. National Bank, the *Union* ran the story on its second-section page under a headline that merely said the bank was being sold. The *Tribune* ran a more candid story on its front page, where the nation's record-breaking bank fail-

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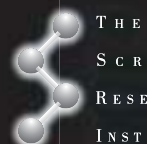
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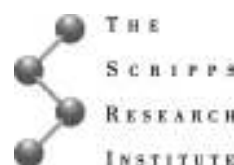


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ure belonged.

The failure of the *Tribune* these days to report the news clearly and aggressively can only partially be explained by outside political pressure; sometimes stories of no threat to the established body politic of San Diego have been held back. Within the last year, a reporter at the *Tribune* was tipped to and wrote an article about San Diego Gas and Electric Company's systematic and massive overcharging of North County homeowners. The story sat a week before the reporter's source grew frustrated and called the *Los Angeles Times*. After the story appeared there, the *Tribune* published a rewritten version of its own reporter's article that was less clear and tough than his week-old original. Similarly, another *Tribune* staffer was the first to report University Hospital's refusal to treat a Mexican-American who had accidentally shot himself in the head, an apparent violation by the hospital of its obligation as a tax-supported institution. But the *Tribune* broke the news halfheartedly, with a headline and two inches of copy on the first page of the local section; it continued deep inside the paper. The next day, and for a few subsequent days, the other papers ran the story on their front pages. When the *Tribune's* reporter asked for an explanation regarding the story's treatment, he says he was told by an editor, "We just didn't know what to make of it."

Other factors have also contributed to blunting the collective senses of the *Tribune*. For one thing, the paper is now a bureaucracy, choked by a managerial obsession for procedures and supervision. Inferior managers everywhere are inclined to add administrators below them who can insulate the top from the heat of the daily struggle. At the *Tribune* there is a host of flak-catchers who keep things cool for the editors. Where only two years ago the day-side city desk consisted of a city editor, an assistant city editor (known as an ace), and one principal rewrite reporter, there is now a city editor, four aces, and two

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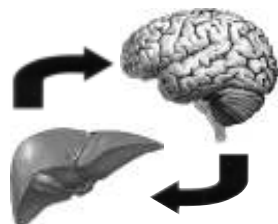
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or three rewrite reporters, nearly all of whom were reporters whose former positions have remained unfilled. The night ace now has an assistant assistant night city editor. (No one yet has invented a convenient shorthand title for him.) The newsroom has gotten so middle-heavy there aren't enough reporters to cover and write day- and night-breaking stories, and when reporters do turn in stories, a platoon of desk people is available to rewrite them, which they have been doing with increasing frequency. At times, no one knows who rewrote a story or who ordered the rewrite, and a reporter must make the rounds to lodge a protest or ask a question if the rewrite proves to have damaged the story's sense.

Gone are the days

when the *Tribune's* newsroom was a freak show reminiscent of *The Front Page*—a collection of psyches unraveling under the pressures of deadlines, callers complaining of poor coverage and flying saucers in their neighborhoods, and the manic desires of reporters to produce a story that could establish them as stars in the (old) *Tribune's* firmament. Under those more traditional newsroom conditions, tensions and hatreds were released promptly. Jack Gregg, a genuinely human and spontaneous man who was city editor before he lost an internal political struggle, occasionally used to escape the tightening noose by standing up on his desk and walking to the next and the next desk in the crowded city room at the old downtown build-

ing. Cheers and applause always accompanied Gregg's Walk. At least once a day, reporter Rex Salmon got requests for an ear-splitting outburst he drew from a bag that included imita-

ranged over two floors and into an elevator that carried three businessmen who never lost their grips on their briefcases. Jack Gregg, once again, donned the burnoose he'd returned

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tions of a vacuum cleaner, donkey, a marching band, and landing jetliner. Now he just sneezes oddly when he makes any sound at all. I once had a water-pistol fight with entertainment editor Wayne Carlson that

with from some Arab country or other and raced through the newsroom toward the wire-service room just as some 30 visiting Japanese newspaper executives were emerging. I mention all of this not simply out of nostalgia. The pallid quality of the newsroom today is symptomatic of the ennui that permeates any tired bureaucracy, be it the postal ser-

vice, a bank, or the Bureau of Land Management. It is not order and quiet efficiency that characterize the newsroom now; it is simply the silence and boredom of people who are awaiting orders.

Like any bureaucracy, the *Tribune* responds to pressure from the front office and from large, well-organized interest groups outside the company. It often has been difficult to distinguish one from the other. Until a few years ago, Helen Copley was a board member of Wells Fargo Bank, the California Chamber of Commerce, and Dart Industries. Mrs. Copley ended her service on those outside boards, saying she would have to concentrate her energies on the running of her newspaper chain, but her key executives have maintained their high civic profiles. Before he left to join the Knight-Ridder newspaper chain a few months ago, Copley Press vice president Richard Capen was president of the

San Diego Chamber of Commerce. General manager Alex DeBakcsy has chaired the campaign for the United Way and continues his involvement with that organization. Union-Tribune executives and lawyers sit on a blue-chip advisory board to UCSD. With so many direct and high-level ties to the official institutions and agencies of this city, the newspaper's editors and reporters begin to look over their shoulders before settling down to work. In any number of individual cases, reporters and editors begin to measure success in the same terms as the front office—by how well they're mingling. The city's press club was organized by public-relations people, most of them corporate, and it was *Tribune* reporters and editors who provided the bulk of the club's active, working-journalist members and officers. Radio and television newspeople and, so far, staff members of the *Los Angeles Times'*

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San Diego edition have stayed away. Far from licking the flaks who bomb the paper with news releases, staffers have taken to joining them. In recent years, the *Tribune's* business writer left to start his own public-relations agency, a real estate writer joined another public-relations agency, a politics writer has become an aide to a state senator, and another former reporter has been successively an aide to a councilman and a member of the former business writer's agency. Such professional intimacy between

I no longer had any enthusiasm for world-in-a-teacup features, nor did I experience a rush of pride from a genuine front-page story.

reporters, former reporters-turned-boosters, and the city's major institutions probably goes a long way toward explaining the prevailing sunny view of San Diego visible in the paper's pages.

As it tries to sort out the demands on it, the *Tribune* must face another problem that may prove to be more ruinous than all others. Since 1971, when I arrived at the paper, circulation has stubbornly hovered at about 125,000, despite a population growth in its circulation area dur-

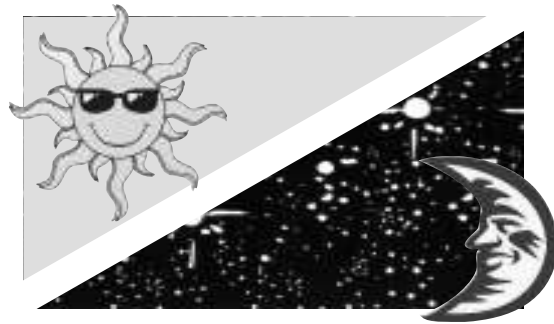
ing that time of some 300,000. The \$250,000 ad campaign that featured *Tribune* faces on billboards and upbeat radio and TV spots failed to produce a bulge in circulation figures much larger than a few thousand additional subscribers. The advertising blitz corresponded in some pop cultural way with the advent of happy-talk television news. Television succeeded then probably because it changed its format to conform more closely with that of advertising, while the *Tribune* campaign might have failed

because it merely advertised the same old product. Happy talk, however, has now come to the *Tribune*, and what is found there is the same post-Bicentennial, post-Watergate bilge found on the supermarket stands. In fact, the only magazine I've seen in the city editor's in-basket is *People*. The daily battle at the *Tribune* now is being waged by editors competing with each other to play to this vast, illusionary supermarket audience that will buy the paper and boost its circulation.

These editors try to discover new ways for the paper to appear energetic, fearless, and up to the minute — without its actually being so. Stories are not so much gathered and printed as they are imagined, ordered, and packaged.

In fact, in the past year I began to hear "package" used to describe the day's paper, or more usually a series of stories on some news that might dominate the day's paper, even "real" news, as in the Energy Package or the Illegal Alien Package. I was once told to do a story that was to have been part of a Water Package. It was on a day when northern sections of the city were dry because of a miscalculation of water reserves during the shutdown of a Colorado River water pipeline. Would I please write a story on the city's installation of asbestos-concrete water pipes to accompany the shortage stories? At the time I knew next to nothing about asbestos and the possible hazards of using it in water mains. It did occur to me that this was a story that might more appropriately have been part of an Asbestos Package, but then, water is water, I suppose, with or without asbestos. It really doesn't matter in this brave, new media world if the connections made between events and ideas are illogical or accidental or inci-

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dental. Impact is what counts. Semblance is as good as substance. The package must be made to appear complete and distinct. (As it turned out, I wasn't able to research and write in one day a story on San Diego's

asbestos pipes and the relationship between cancer and asbestos. My story appeared a day later than planned, thus escaping its packaged fate.) This kind of premeditation may appear to the public as a peccadillo

and not particularly perilous to journalism, but soon enough the paper's preoccupation with its own internal workings, its formulas, distorts the perception of readers and journalists alike. The paper sometimes

misses stories because they are not even recognized ("We just didn't know what to make of it") and sometimes because they are not considered worth the effort. After all, there will be another paper tomorrow,

another package.

In an indifferent atmosphere like that, people burn out. I was one of them. No more cutesy lead sentences were forthcoming. I no longer had any enthusiasm for world-in-a-teacup

features, nor did I experience a rush of pride from a genuine front-page story. I couldn't find satisfaction by practicing my craft as meticulously as I was able. My salvation from the tedium came to lie in grand, sweeping stories of life and death and moral bankruptcy — the bleaker and starker the better. I began to want only to awaken shock and anger in a public I came to think was as diffident as the newsroom. But the more clearly I seemed to perceive the senseless, random, mindless screw-ups and products of neglect in the city — a sewer system and a highway network jammed, both of them, to overflowing at a time the mayor and city council reverted to a hospitable growth policy; and a district attorney's stated belief that a televised shooting revealed a gun hand that was rising in the direction of police when it sure as hell appeared to be falling — the more palpable and evident the public failures became, the less it seemed could be said about them. At times I thought the reform spirit had vanished, or had been drowned in a slop-pot of soap operas, discomania, tits and ass, four-wheel driving, violence, and the worship of good health. In fact, though, I was tired. Never mind the truth or falseness of my vision of San Diego as Rome in the late Third Century. I was simply tired of the *Evening Tribune*.

But when Samuel C. Brown was shot and killed by a policeman on a recent Thursday afternoon downtown, in front of television cameras, I thought I perceived a news story through a thin layer of jade after a full day's work. I had been researching a series of police stories, and I was ready to work a little longer. That night I spoke to winos and street types who talked about murder, to councilmen and cops who spoke of shooting "to incapacitate," and to people at the Knickerbocker Hotel who knew Brown. The main story had already been written by Preston Turegano, and I did two others: one of them a profile of Brown — his extremes and anguish and what he did the day he was shot — the other

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an attempt to analyze what was seen on the videotape in terms of police shooting policy and of handgun law as cited by a deputy city attorney. I left the newsroom at 2:00 a.m. What appeared in the *Tribune* nine hours later was not essentially what I had written. Gone was the quotation from a city policy that police shoot "only as a last resort" when lives are endangered. Gone also were the remarks of Councilwoman Maureen O'Connor a day before the shooting that the police have a policy of "shoot to kill." Missing from the published stories were Assistant Police Chief Bob Burgreen's explanation that the policy on shooting is "to incapacitate" by aiming at the largest target, the chest, where "it also happens you're likely to kill that way." Also absent from the stories was the deputy city attorney's summation of gun laws (it's not a crime to carry a handgun openly in public; it is a crime to threaten someone with it or conceal it

without a permit to do so). I quoted from a police press release that said it was confirmed Brown had earlier fired a shot but that it wasn't clear whether the officers who had him in their gun sights were aware of that when they stepped onto the sidewalk. The rewrite man changed the story and wrote that police were answering a call that a man had fired shots. No one,

investigation of the shooting. But in its place appeared a simple statement that Brown had been shot in front of television cameras the day before, which is what almost all readers knew and had themselves seen.

The city editor told me he did not know who rewrote the story and asked me to call up the people I had quoted in my originals in order to get new

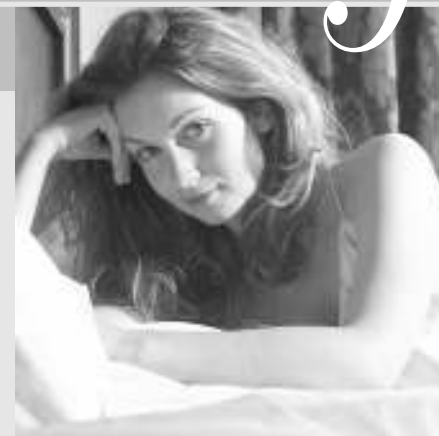
The *Los Angeles Times* appeared with two stories that contained most of what the *Tribune* had neglected or elected not to use.

neither cops nor witnesses, had ever said more than one shot had been fired. But the rewrite man did. The suicide motive I reported high in my own story was not mentioned until the end of the rewritten main story. The main story's opening paragraph had placed the videotapes at the center of the planned

quotes, though the old one could have been retrieved from duplicates I submitted. Some of the cuts were accidental, he said; others he agreed with. He then asked me to help another reporter who was back at the Knickerbocker and who had no idea how to follow up on the story. I asked what had been done with

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a long memo I had written, which suggested ways to follow up, and he said he didn't know and looked through a garbage can for the note. Two hours later the reporter who had been at the Knickerbocker came back with my duplicates in his hand and the note he said he had been given by the city editor.

I argued about all this, then put it in a memo to the assistant managing editor and the managing editor; and then I went to a bar with other reporters and complained loudly. The next day, Saturday, the *Los Angeles Times* appeared with two stories that contained most of what the *Tribune* had neglected or elected not to use. Monday I tried to break some new ground by calling the Los Angeles and San Francisco police departments for the number of fatal shootings by police in those cities. San Diego has triple the rate of deaths of both those cities, which I wrote for the next day and which included specific numbers and another reference to the written "shoot only as a last resort" policy of San Diego police. That night I got a call at home from the assistant assistant city editor asking if it wouldn't be better to hold the story a day or so to develop it further, because "it is a sensitive issue." The next day a truncated version of what I had written (it said simply that San Diego's killing rate is "well ahead" of L.A. and San Francisco) ran deep inside the paper as the last third of a story about the angle from which the videotape was recorded. The police department's shooting policy had again been edited out, and the headline and first two-thirds of the story (written by the police reporter and the city desk) had nothing to do with San Diego's alarming rate of fatal police shootings.

I turned in my resignation two and a half hours after asking that my name be taken off the story. I went back to the bar, where about 15 *Tribune* people, most of whom I love, bought me every beer I drank. ■

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"All right," Uncle Frank, the bearded, baseball-capped man next to me called into the room. "We have a new applicant for membership. Let's hear what he has to say!" He nudged me in the ribs, and I reached for my scotch, swallowed it, and chased it with a beer. I needed to get convincingly ugly, and fast. I remembered Uncle Frank's instructions. I would say what he told me to say, verbatim. No deviations. Fine, but what the hell was I doing? How did I get here? I hadn't bargained for this.

"C'mon." Frank nudged me again,

harder this time. "You gonna do it or not?" I nodded, took a deep breath.

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It can be figured in the cost of a new Harley-Davidson motorcycle, some \$5000 to \$15,000, but that's just to get you on the road. And it's on the road where the free rider or club member (not "gang" member, please) begins to pay real dues.

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The sight of more than two motorcyclists on custom "hogs," "choppers," or "scooters" has been enough to make citizens grow faint with fear and trembling.

has been enough to make citizens grow faint with fear and trembling. It wasn't until 1969 and *Easy Rider* that bikers were portrayed in anything resembling a sympathetic light.

of people with pool cues and one member of that club stabbed to death a man brandishing a pistol at the stage. I attended that concert 20 years ago and had my hand stepped on by one of the

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Angels as I mounted the roof of a rental van for a better view. I fell 20 feet back into the crowd, looking up at the image of a deranged, bearded man with several teeth missing and Viking horns protruding from an animal-skin helmet, waving a fist the size of a cinder block at

me.

While Hells Angels and bikers are synonymous in the minds of large segments of the public, the fact remains that the Angels are a specific club about which there are as many legends as facts. But this is not about the Hells Angels. The bikers I

was interested in are the independents or free riders. My concern was not bikers as outlaws, but bikers as people. Something other than stereotype.

Walking into Dumont's A Tavern Etc., on El Cajon Boulevard, in El Cajon, past the rows of parked Harleys

out front, my heart was sounding a little loudly in my throat. I had been riding for a couple of years — a 650 Triumph and a 750 Honda — but these are not Harleys. Inside Dumont's, shouldering past guys, some the size of Coke vending machines with faces that ranged from mean to weathered, I felt like Woody Allen among Barbary pirates.

With me was Eileen Bradford, a legal secretary from the law offices of Richard M. Lester, an attorney who is a champion of

bikers' rights. Eileen has been around bikers for years and seems as comfortable in Dumont's as other women might be at a tailgate party after a Chargers' game. As my eyes adjusted to the light, or lack of it, I noticed one guy playing pool using a broom as a cue. He looked as if he might have been an extra in a movie with a title like *Chainsaw Rapists on Wheels*, but then so did almost everyone else in there. He gave me a cool look and turned back to his game. The only illumination was

from the backbar, the pool table lights, and the jukebox. An overhead light at an empty back table made that part of the room look for all the world like an interrogation chamber. It was a Sunday afternoon. Maybe two dozen men and a half dozen women sat at tables, leaned against the bar, or milled around in groups of twos and threes. There were more biceps and steely glances than I felt happy about, and I wondered if my voice would crack as I ordered a beer, when Eileen introduced me to the owner, Rich Dumont.

Dumont came over, shook my hand, and said to a few people around, "It's the guy from the newspaper!" Turning back to me, he said, "At least you dressed all right." He looked at my fatigue shirt, black T-shirt, and boots, smiled, and handed me a long-necked Bud. "Let me buy you a beer," he said. A paint salesman for 25 years ("The best," he said), Dumont is a lanky, gray-wire-haired man in his 60s with a quick smile and an enthusiastic, staccato manner of speaking. We

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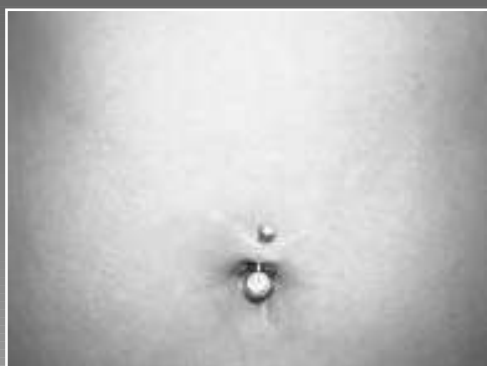
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went to the empty table in the back of the barroom where he showed me a framed clipping about his place from an El Cajon paper. The article seemed to be a retraction of an earlier hatchet job on bikers in general and Dumont's in particular. Rich Dumont insisted I read the whole thing. I scanned it,

and the writer ended the piece by describing what it was like to ride on the back of a Harley. Suddenly the scales fell from the writer's eyes as he grokked the primarily simple exhilaration of riding. His insight into the mind of the biker was complete.

As I leaned over the pool table, kneeling on the milk crate, listening to the jeers and cat-calls of the "bros" surrounding me, I thought, "I've really stepped in it. This was a setup. No matter how loud I yell, they're going to shout me down." They never intended to initiate me into the UMEFA. I don't even own a Harley.

Somebody probably figured I would be the clubs' entertainment for the evening. Still, I didn't see any way around it now. I'd have to play it out. I sure as hell was not about to try and brazen my way past those guys to the parking lot and my car. I remembered something Star, one of the bikers' old ladies, told me.

She said, "When you get up there to do your thing, and they're not buying it, try grabbing your crotch."

Looking down, filling my lungs with air once again for another go, I saw the previous initiate's application lying on the table near the right corner pocket. Under the question "Just how fuckin'

ugly are you?" he had written: "I'm so ugly, my parents used to feed me with a sling-shot." I grabbed my crotch with my right hand, lifted my head, and shouted at the ceiling like a contestant in some lunatic beauty contest in reverse. "I AM AN UGLY MOTHERFUCKER!"

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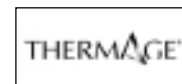
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CUTE!" Laughter. Boos.

Rich Dumont kept buying me beers as we sat at the back table. He said he opened the place 12 years ago, with no intention of the thing turning into a biker bar, "But here we are. Who would have thought a place like this could have lasted 12 years?" He waved over one person after another. I was introduced to Suicide Lee, a smiling, pot-bellied Buddha of a man with a few

wisps of white hair falling randomly over a balding pate. He was wearing the colors of the San Diego club the Swordsmen. "The good guys," he pronounced, smiling a little cock-eyed. Suicide, formerly Sporty Lee, looked to be in his 60s. He told me he started out riding on a 1948 Indian. He'd been coming to Dumont's for 11 years.

Rich quickly presented one regular after another, kept them moving as if I

were holding court — guys with names like Bubba, Beast, Boat, and the more prosaic Bob and Brandon. The preponderance of Bs struck me, and a friend later pointed out it was a "bulbous, manly consonant. A natural for bikers."

Brandon cut a swash-buckling if chilling figure, with long hair, beard, eye patch, leather pants, and jacket. His customized Harley is one of the more unusual jobs around. The gas tank is

a stylized diamond or coffin shape; metallic, colored tangerine over pearl, with an airbrush painting of a bearded man with an eye patch behind two busty blondes (joined at the hip), surrounded by snakes emerging from a death's head. When asked if he was a member of any club, he quoted Groucho Marx's "I wouldn't belong to any club that would have me as a member."

Beast, whose real name is Mark Roth, looks like a

full-size if dissipated version of one of the Seven Dwarfs. His ponytail hangs to his waist, and he appears as if he had stashed a medium-sized timpani under his T-shirt. The son of a preacher in Pennsylvania, Beast is the local Modified Motorcycle Association's division representative. When asked what the MMA is about, Beast replied, "It's an organization that goes back maybe 15 years or so. It's mostly to educate riders in terms of their rights and safety. It's a charitable organization too." They have a toy run scheduled for November 26, where as many as several hundred bikers would

gather at Fiesta Island, bringing either canned foods or new toys for the Salvation Army to distribute. "We party with other bikers. All bikes are welcome, not just Harleys. Clubs and free riders, it doesn't matter. It's neutral, just like this place." He meant Dumont's. "We just get into the family thing. Brothers and sisters, beer, food, and toys. We do it every year."

Beast then rattled off the names of other bikers' toy runs. One, the Harley Owners Group run to Tijuana, is held in conjunction with the Mexican club Solo Angeles. Apparently there were some 300 bikes involved with that one. "Sometimes

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I was bombarded with acronyms. MMA, ABATE, AIM (Aid to Injured Motorcyclists), NCOM (National Coalition of Motorcyclists); I was yet to hear of the UMFA.

It was then that Rich Dumont mentioned his annual drive for the Mus-

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keep goin' on
foot. Fast.**

**You ride
okay. I'll talk
to you."**

cular Dystrophy Association, "Jerry's Kids." He pointed to a cinder-block wall behind me. The names and emblems of several clubs had been emblazoned on some hundred or so blocks. The Hells Angels had by far the most concrete squares. Twenty in all. "Each cinder block costs \$10. The money goes to Jerry's Kids. We've been doing this for ten years. We've raised at least \$55,000."

Rich called over Bubba. Bubba stood six feet plus, wore a black leather vest that exposed a bodybuilder's torso decorated in spectacular tattoos. Bubba had short cropped hair, thick-rimmed glasses, and a brush mustache. I extended my hand to shake his, and he dropped a set of keys on the table in front of me. "What's this?" I asked him.

"Keys to my bike. You ride?" (No "hi, howya doin'? Pleestameetcha.")

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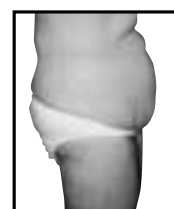
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"Well, fine. Great. You're a trusting soul, heh-heh."

"No, I'm not," he said, dead serious.

Somebody called out, "Don't sweat it. It's a Sportster."

We went outside, and I climbed on Bubba's scooter. First thing I did was tangle my foot in the "chicken" or "sissy" bar. This didn't look cool at all. There were muffled laughs from the guys who had followed us outside. The bike was clean, sleek, polished. My bikes never looked this good. I turned the key and hit the ignition, and the thing mumbled to me in a throaty metallic B-flat. I let it idle for a minute and flooded it as I played with the throttle. The engine died. "Sorry, man.

Sorry."

"Just a slow roll on that throttle will do it."

"Yeah, I see. Nice."

I started it up again and kicked down with my left toe. I waddled away from the curb in first gear, gaining traction on the pavement. Half a block down, I

in front of Dumont's. Starting it yet again, I pulled out from the stop sign and seemed to glide down El Cajon Boulevard on the back of some beast that was far more efficiently designed than I was. I turned right down a side street and got it into third for a block and

I heard that bikers were discriminated against, treated as criminals based solely on the fact that they rode custom American bikes, sported tattoos, and tended to be large and hairy.

lifted the gear shift into second and peeled out nicely, heading east to the stop sign. I felt great. I was certain I looked really boss, too. The bike died at the stop sign. I turned and flashed a shit-eating grin back to the boys

a half. All I could think of was "Santa, oh Santa..."

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somberly to the boys and back-walked the Sportster into its space. "Nice," I said as if it were really only okay, more or less. I wanted to take the thing to a motel. I wanted to marry it. "Hey, thanks, Bubba. That's a pretty nice machine."

"Buy me a beer," he said and took his keys back.

"Sure. You got it."

I handed him a Bud, got another for myself, and Bubba took my elbow, "I want to talk to you about the fuckin' sheriff's department." Duffy is not a popular guy among bikers. Bubba ran down a list of grievances, but I only had his version of the story: unnecessary detainment and abusive treatment—"the price," on the road.

Other bikers in Dumont's had similar tales of police harassment to tell. The common thread running through all the stories I heard was that bikers were discriminated against, treated as criminals based solely on the fact that they rode custom American bikes, sported tattoos, and tended to be

large and hairy. One after another of the stories involved shakedowns; muffler, engine, and serial number inspections; impromptu roadside mug-shot photography; also the photographing of tattoos for further identification purposes. Members of clubs are apparently guilty by association with "outlaw

Doug "Bit" Bostrom told me. "Political freedom of rights, choice, and safety have become survival issues for us. So yeah, though bikers are not by nature political, they have been forced to become political. Beast and I have been active in politics, different groups but similar, for the past nine

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gangs," and free riders are lumped in on the basis of what amounts to the mechanical idiosyncrasies of their vehicles, haberdashery, and tonsorial habits.

Are bikers political animals? "They have become that way out of necessity,"

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Doug, for example, was the San Diego local ABATE chapter president, on the state board of directors for that organization, and acted as state political action committee chairman, though he no longer holds those titles.

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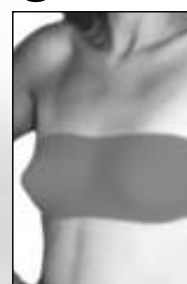
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He was involved with the proposed legislation dealing with mandatory motorcycle safety training for first-time riders. ABATE was against it. Doug's duties included letter-writing, meeting senators and representatives (Senator Deddah, for example), and San Diego City Councilman Bob Filner. He also mailed questionnaires to public officials and candidates, determining their positions on biker-related matters and drumming up members of the biker community to register to vote and educating them on the issues. His roommate, Beast, carries on much the same sort of work with MMA.

How did he vote? Democrat? Republican?

"I vote issues, not parties," he said. "One of the main issues that has brought a lot of bikers together is the proposed helmet law in California. AB36. Senator Richard Floyd's baby. We defeated that one. Now there's a federal blackmail law in the works, S1007 that says, basically, the federal gov-

ernment will withhold highway funding if helmet laws are not enforced on a state-by-state basis. Naturally, our point of view is a civil-rights thing: let those who ride decide." What about the thing about bikers, the Angels, whatever, being involved in big-time methamphetamine labs, distribution, all that?

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bikers are the ones manufacturing it, dealing it, right? Simple. Every group, the Boy Scouts, Businessmen's Association, has their bad apples. That's where the term 'one percenters' comes from. Well, what about the guys on Wall Street who get busted with massive amounts of cocaine? Does that mean because you're a stockbroker you're

Malcolm Forbes was one of the wealthiest and most famous bikers in the world. "He owns over 60 bikes, all of them Harleys."

of lawyers, doctors, businessmen doing cocaine," Bit jumped in. "Cocaine is a drug for the rich. Because meth is cheaper, there's more widespread use, so they've got to find a target group to pin it on. So, hey, it's bikers. They busted some bikers into that, so it must be the

a cocaine dealer? It's politics pure and simple."

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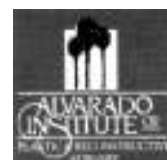
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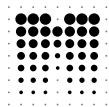
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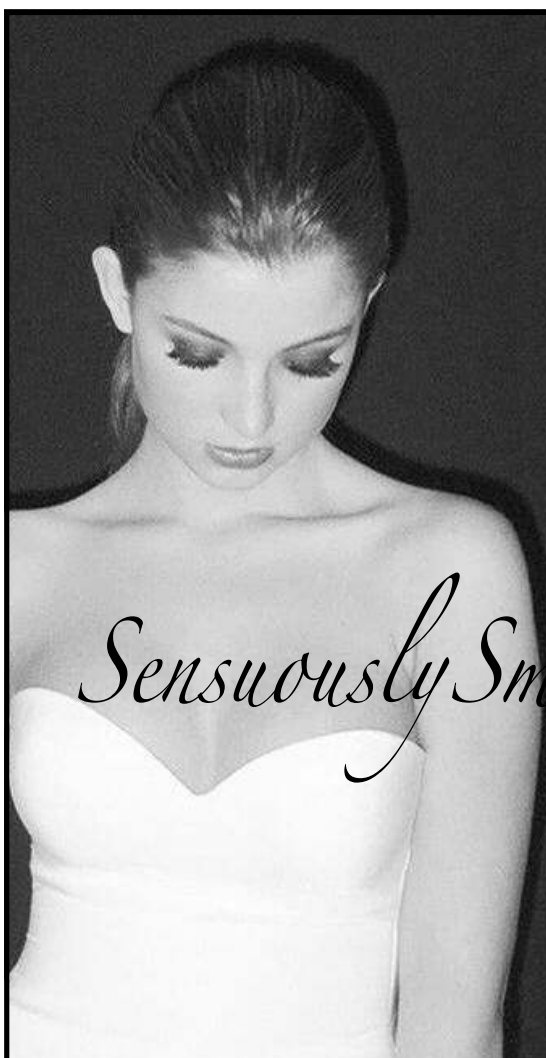
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jobs, their funding. And they do. One way or another. They hassled Rich Dumont's Muscular Dystrophy run on this basis. You set up a roadblock in La Jolla, on any night of the week, you'll find more drugs and outstanding warrants. I promise you." Beast chimed in.

"Harleys are expensive to maintain. Bikers work. They have jobs, man, they have to. Most guys can't afford another habit like drugs. The bikes are everything." Brandon, for example, is a quality-assurance manager for Dresser-Rand, and Doug Bostrom is distribution manager for Executone Information Systems.

We talked about other things for a while, drank beers. Then Bit mentioned Malcolm Forbes as one of the wealthiest and most famous bikers in the world. "He owns over 60 bikes, all of them Harleys. He gave Liz Taylor

a big old pink or purple Harley or some shit." Forbes is a hero of sorts, it seemed. Another public figure, closer to home, who is well loved by the motorcycle community is former mayor Roger Hedgecock. "He put through motorcycle parking downtown, access lanes, and got motorcyclists recognized as qualifying for car-pool status. It's one of the most fuel-efficient methods of transportation, and if you're alone on your bike, you're still occupying the vehicle to 50 percent of its capacity. He also tried to do away with attitude arrests. Harassment. I

say 'tried,' but at least he was aware of it."

I had assumed no one could be less political, more apathetic and probably ignorant of politics than bikers. That if any of them had any politics at all, they'd be to the left. But there is a strong streak of fundamentalist, old-time patriotism, right-wing conservative sensibilities, and something that resembles Libertarianism among those at Dumont's, at least. "Heavy metal populism," someone called it.

I reached for the scotch and drained the glass, chased it

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with what was left of the beer, and decided to go for it one more time. Still kneeling, I grabbed my crotch with both hands, and in a voice that made me feel like Linda Blair in *The Exorcist*, I snarled into the barroom ceiling, "I AM AN UGLY MOTHER-FUCKERRRRRRR!!!!"

Rain pelted the low dunes at Fiesta Island. Gusts of wind sent sheets of drizzle over the mostly deserted landscape. Only a few hard-core jet-skiers were in evidence, and there was no mistaking

the sound of their engines for Harleys. I wondered how many bikers would show for this MMA Toy Run. There are few things more miserable and terrifying than riding a motorcycle in the rain. It resembles surfing more than two-wheel motoring, when the road reaches the saturation point that makes hydroplaning not only possible but a near certainty. I peered through the windshield of my truck looking for evidence of bikes and riders, straining my ears for the distinctive sound of those

engines. When I rounded the west side of the island, I saw them. Maybe 40 or 50 bikes parked in loose-leaf rows. Leather glistened blackly in the wet as men, women, and children gathered in clusters along the side of the road. It might have been a fearsome sight to the casual observer unless one looked closely at the toys and stuffed animals many of them were holding.

Between 11:00 and noon, another 40 or 50 bikes arrived bearing food and toys. The rain let up, and I

found myself talking to a guy known only as Crazy Mickey. We were talking about the people that showed up in the rain on their bikes. Hard core. Did Crazy come on his bike today?

"No," he said. "My bike is down."

"What happened?"

"I tried to climb a tree with it." He shook his head sadly. "It can't be done."

Crazy had an emblem

on the back of his denim jacket that was a caricature of an ogre or some similar creeplike being. The figure had snot running from one nostril and a huge gnarled finger jammed into the other. The rockers above and below the emblem said UMF of America. "What's the UMF?" I asked him.

"Here." He handed me a card that said: "You certainly are an ugly mother-

fucker. Would you consider joining an elite social organization?" On the other side of the card it read: "UMFA, Luaus, Drinking contests, Wild women, Pile parties, Hocker glasses, Christian De-programming." He showed me another card, identical, except that it read: "You certainly are a cute little fucker."

"That's for women," he said. "Hey, you wanna join?"

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"I don't know." I kept turning the card over in my hand.

Crazy took me over to a table under a plastic tarp, where he loaded me down with literature from the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester, AIM, NCOM, and all the other acronyms. One sheet bore the UMF logo and the slogan "Ugly is as ugly does"; beneath that was some information about the UMF. A sample: "The 'Ugly Motherfuckers of America' was founded in July 1982 in San Diego CA. Our founding father was 'Moko Joe' (UMF#1), an escaped lunatic from Hawaii. The express purpose of the club was to take the vote away from women. Having run into some heavy resistance from the U.S. Congress, we fell in with some bad company and have been drunk and/or loaded ever since..."

Crazy offered to sponsor me at the next meeting at the Club Marina in Point Loma. I thanked him and said I'd be there.

I saw Eileen Bradford standing next to a custom

three-wheeler owned by her boss, Joe Eggleston (of the Law Offices of Richard M. Lester). "How's it goin'?" she asked.

"Great. Bubba let me ride his Harley. I still haven't come down."

"You mean his skirt-ster? That half a Harley? That

Dino was small, long-haired, with round doll's eyes set into the paleness of her face above a diminutive chin. Colleen, also long-haired (nearly to her waist), had kindly slits for eyes and a pleasant, whiskey voice. Eileen wore a fringed jacket, chain-smoked, and was quick to

"I have a 20-gauge pump Ithaca shotgun, a Remington 244, a Ruger Mini 14 assault rifle, I have a 380 auto. All legally registered. Oh yeah, I have a nine-shot .22 revolver too."

sewing machine?" She laughed.

We were joined by some other people, including some bikers' old ladies. Star was tall, pale, adorned with ornate jewelry and leather. She wobbled on high-heeled boots.

joke, tossing a headful of strawberry-blonde hair around to punctuate her laughter.

We talked about the perception that bikers treat their women badly. They all smiled and shook their heads.

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It wasn't true, they concurred. "When I hooked up with Beast, seven months ago," Dino said, "my people said, 'Hey, he's goin' to make you push his bike when it breaks down. Or leave you on the side of the road. He might sell you into white slavery.'" They all nodded as if each of them had heard similar kinds of things. "Peo-

voy of bikes to the County Administration Building, where they would drop off the toys with the Salvation Army. "It's quite an honor," she said, and Dino smiled in acknowledgment. Colleen, Bob's old lady, was, she said, a grandmother to an eight-year-old, though this seemed hardly possible. She had been riding for 25 years; her father

western. They all spoke excellent English and told me about their upcoming toy run where they bring food and toys directly to the people in the poor neighborhoods of Tijuana. What? Were these people all saints? Nobody terrorizing anybody, just a lot of families on bikes wearing a lot of leather. No one so much as had a can of beer in his hand (though I later learned this was because the beer truck was running late). I didn't see any evidence of drugs, though you might have found some, if you looked.

But then I didn't see anybody with a gun either, though many of the bikers owned several, legally, natch. These were NRA boys and anti-gun-control activists. There was a strong odor of white supremacy about some of them too. When I asked if there wasn't a black biker club in San Diego and where it might be, I was told, "They operate out of a phone booth in front of the welfare office." There was general laughter at this idea. I saw only one black man at the toy run;

Amateur dancers, women in G-strings and leathers, played themselves over a Harley and an Italian sports car on the sunken dance floor.

ple shouldn't be so scared of them — us," Dino concluded.

Surely there must be some basis to these stories, right? Not so you could tell by the women here. Star was excited that she would be riding alongside Beast and Dino at the head of the con-

rode an Indian motorcycle, and she had never seen any of the kinds of things typical in the Hollywood stereotype: gang rapes and beatings.

I met members of Tijuana's Solo Angeles, who looked, with a few anachronisms, like bad guys from a Clint Eastwood spaghetti

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he was accompanied by his son. One biker wore a T-shirt with a picture of Martin Luther King's face surrounded by a target sight of the kind you see in a rifle scope. The legend beneath it read, "Our Dream Came True." All right, so I didn't care for some of their politics; I wasn't sure I cared for anyone's.

What was not to like about these charitable, much-oppressed champions of rugged individualism? Maybe the worst blanket statement you could make about the guys I met so far was that, well, none of them would

be mistaken for rocket scientists. But that was another stereotype that turned out to be bogus. I was introduced to Wild Bill (member of the UMFA), otherwise known as Dr. W.H. McKnight, a physicist at the Naval Ocean Systems Center.

"You've heard of Star Wars? Well, I'm a star warrior!" he said proudly. Wild Bill is in fact a rocket scientist — or close enough. And he has been riding for years. He is politically outspoken on civil rights, gun owners' rights, and bikers' rights in particular.

"Here's something to

think about," he told me, stabbing a finger into my chest. "You look at South American countries, they can't enforce their own constitution. They may have

I knew, deep down I was as ugly as anybody in the room.

one that grants civil rights, voting rights, etc. But who enforces it? The army? Who's going to protect you from the army? Who's going to protect you from the

police? Who's going to ensure that the constitution is provided, guaranteed, and granted? The ultimate power rests with the citizens of any country. If

the citizens have no means to exercise that power, their constitution isn't worth the paper it's written on. The ultimate power resides in the home. In your bed-

room dresser drawer, your nightstand. I consider myself as much a patriot as you'll ever find."

I asked him to name some of the guns he owns. "I have a 20-gauge pump Ithaca shotgun, a Remington 244, a Ruger Mini 14 assault rifle, I have a 380 auto. All legally registered. Oh yeah, I have a nine-shot .22 revolver too." He went on to add, "In order to maintain your rights, I figure you have to exercise them."

Around noon the rain had let up and clouds had parted, revealing glimpses of sun. Bikers were start-

ing to mount up for the run from Mission Bay to the administration building, downtown. Beast and Dino led the column of some 120 Harleys at a slow five to ten miles per hour. Three squad cars detained the group at the access road to Fiesta Island. The police were going to escort the bikers and divert traffic, but the cops thought it was supposed to be at one o'clock instead of noon. We waited. After half an hour, we were waved on. I rode point in my pickup truck, barely able to take my eyes from the rear-view mirror filled with a train of Harley-Davidsons and the men and women who love them. It was another sight that might cause cardiac arrest in Ed and Evelyn Mastercard on vacation with the kids. The thunder of the 100-plus engines sounded like Armageddon.

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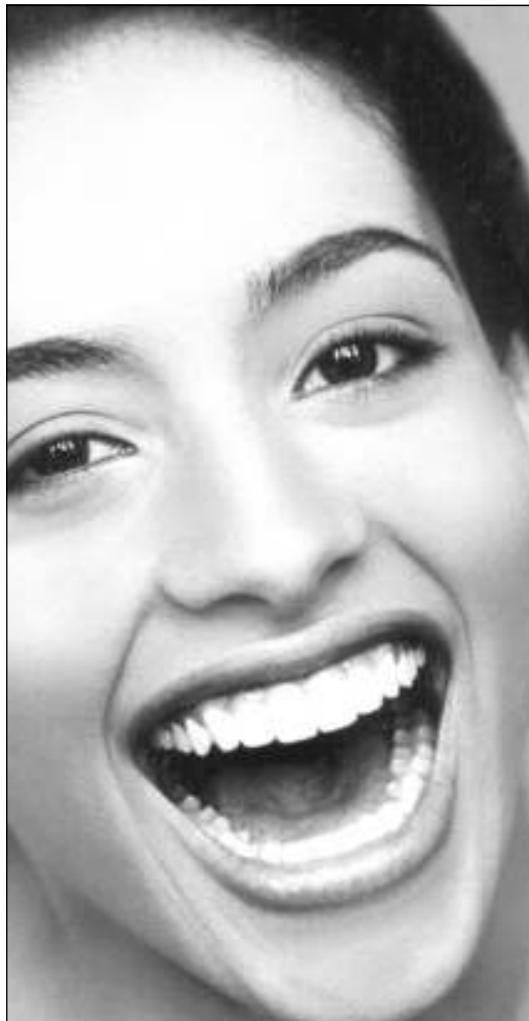
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on a blanket and loaded onto the Salvation Army truck, Beast made a short speech and remembered a couple of brothers who were in the hospital or had died.

The crowd split up after 20 minutes or so, and I walked over to the guy in the Salvation Army uniform. His name was Robert Bassharn. I asked him what he thought of these guys, these bikers. "I think they have hearts of gold." He smiled beatifically.

"Yeah," I said. "But they're kind of ugly, don't you think?" His beatific look became gaseous, but he didn't say anything.

I waited for the response to my last desperate plea for recognition as ugly. Real ugly. True ugliness. I didn't expect it to come. I was convinced I was being jerked around for the sport of these alienated whackos. Okay. I just wanted to get out of there in one piece, with maybe a shred of manly dignity. I steeled myself for the cry of TOO SHORT... TOO CUTE once again, but what washed over my ears

was a bath of welcoming brotherhood, acceptance, belonging. "FUCKING UGLE-E-E-E-E!" they rasped into the Club Marina and clapped me on the back.

All right. Great, I'm ugly. I belong. I knew it. I knew, deep down I was as ugly as anybody in the room. Knew from the git, the gut, the git-go. I really, in the end, had no doubts, I am now Ugly Motherfucker no. 532. A dubious honor? Somehow it seemed a more life-affirmative role than my standing in the Book-of-the-Month Club. Or the Writers Guild. Somebody brought me another scotch. I drank it. We went to the Red Onion in Mission Beach for "Harley and Ferrari Night." Anybody showing up with either a Harley or Ferrari got in free. I didn't pay, though I didn't arrive on a bike.

Amateur dancers, women in G-strings and leathers, played themselves over a Harley and an Italian sports car on the sunken dance floor. We clapped. I stood, a little unsteadily in my cow-

boy boots on the upholstered booth, supported by Ugly Motherfuckers who held me by the collar of my leather jacket and the seat of my Levi's. Bikers dominated the place. More guys with Harleys than Ferraris. I stayed for a while and then had to split before they announced the dance winners. I was feeling the scotch and beers. I was ugly... yesireee. Everyone said so. Felt okay about it too. More than okay. In the cab on the way home, the driver said, "You see all those Harleys?"

"Yep."
"Too much. Those guys are nuts. You a biker?"

"Guess so."
"Well, you don't look like one of those animals, man. You look like you got some sense to you."

"Do I?"
"Sure. Are those guys out of their minds or what?"

After some thought, I told him as accurately as I could, "Or what." ■

— John Brizzolara

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member has sought to turn what is normally a nonpartisan body into a partisan cauldron. Your article certainly illuminates Mr. Metz's possible motivations.

Kathy Vienna
via e-mail

Liberal Misuse

Neal Obermeyer's cartoon in the *Reader* of March 24 apparently intends to comment upon the unending Mt. Soledad Cross issue. It does not do so. Rather, it comments upon Obermeyer's abysmal ignorance of Islam, Buddhism, art, history, the English...et alia.

1. Buddhism is not and never was a religion. Practitioners speak of it as a "way" — a way of perceiving, experiencing, and dealing with one's time on earth. It postulates no deity.

— It postulates no physical/spiritual duality; rather, its practitioners seek to see beyond and/or move beyond this (typical Western) conception of duality to the experience of unity.

— It postulates no post-

mortem "eternal spiritual life." Those fat, funny little guys often sold in Asian import specialty stores are just that: fat, funny little guys one might keep around to remind one of the Buddhist way of viewing and experiencing existence.

2. The Taliban did not destroy the Bamiyan Buddhas because they "don't believe in Buddhism." They did so because traditional Islam prohibits representations of the human figure — no small pragmatic difficulty in e.g. Saudi Arabia, when photos for such documents as passports became required.

3. Destruction of the Bamiyan Buddhas lies not in the loss to Buddhism, but rather to art, art history, the history of culture, even the history of the nation of Afghanistan. Gandahara — by any of its variant spellings — art and the culture it expressed no longer exist. Both are dead. Gone. Forever. The world is the poorer because that art, those artisans, that culture, were all epitomized in the now-destroyed Bamiyan Buddhas. The finest artwork of a unique period in cultural and art history were destroyed; Buddhism's particular take on the human experience had little to do with it.

An appropriate analogy here might be the destruction of, say, the Parthenon: Greeks would continue to speak Greek and to build sizeable buildings. But the particular cultural, artistic, and historical moment epitomized in the Parthenon would be irrevocably gone.

4. Obermeyer (and, alas, many others) uses "liberals" (Latin adjective *liber*, "free") as a noun, uncapitalized. *Webster's* enters it only as an adjective. Someone is, hence, "a liberal spender" (one who spends freely). When written "Liberal" it refers solely to a member of the Liberal (political) Party. That party does not exist in this country. *The Oxford Dictionary of Contemporary American English* allows the word as a noun but only after an exhaustive discussion of its use as an adjective.

The point: As used by Obermeyer, "liberals" is either a nonword or one so promiscuously used as to be virtually meaningless.

I do not doubt that Strom Thurmond was at times a liberal spender; few would

suggest he was "a liberal integrationist."

A "liberal parent" may permit her/his teenagers to attend raves; s/he may also be an excruciatingly stingy spender.

Those urging the removal of the Mt. Soledad Cross are more accurately described as "originalists" per Justice Scalia. They simply do not want to begin the slippery slope potentially leading to violation of the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. In the eyes of such "originalists," the placement of a single-religion symbol on government-owned land, commemorating people who died defending this same government, represents the start of that "slippery slope" toward a government-supported single religion.

Jill Van Cleve
City Heights

Competitive Edge

Many thanks to Matthew Lickona ("Crush," March 10) for his second lengthy article devoted to the Wine Lover, now in its seventh year. Regrettably, though, the reader learned relatively little about our newest competitor, Wine Enounters, the article's putative subject.

Special thanks must also go to our departed (by mutual agreement) manager, the garrulous Julian Velovan, now tending bar in a Hillcrest mini-mall.

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Now It's Just A City

Re "Leavin' on a Jet Plane" (February 24), "La Jolla Bust-Out" ("City Lights," March 10), and "Celebrity Factor" ("City Lights," March 10).

I am curious how many San Diegans can tell me what these three articles have in common. Care to take a stab at it? For those few who don't know or think that there is no common denominator, I'll list a few for you: big business, big money, special-interest groups, backroom politics, and shady business deals. What else do they have in common? Shaft the taxpayers and screw the little guy. Are you following me now?

Every day of the week we are being cheated out of what belongs to us and being coerced into footing the bill to boot. I am a third-genera-

tion San Diego native, which at one time accounted for approximately 5 percent of the population and was considered to be somewhat of a rarity. That was in 1981. I would bet that the percentage of third-generation natives is still just as low if not lower. And you know why? They, the common denominators in these articles, have priced us right out of our beloved city and are continuing to do so as you are reading this.

For those of you who haven't been here all of your life or don't have family ties to this city going back to the 1930s, you don't have any idea how much has been stolen from all of us, including you. Only a select few old-school San Diegans have benefited from the extortion, coercion, and cheating that have gone on. The others who have benefited from all of the lies and deceptions and backroom politics are relative newcomers, by my standards. Since the early 1980s, the old-school San Diegans and the newcomers have consistently raped, pillaged, and robbed this city at will with no regard for those who truly love this town.

That's right, I called San Diego a town, because that's how we locals and natives used to refer to it. It was once our town. Now, we have things like the airport authority being established and things such as Bazaar del Mundo are forced out of its location, De Anza Cove and that area being handed back over to the city the way it was, schools, and other things such as the parking management division that is now an established portion of the way the city cites for parking violations, where you can no longer see a judge or access anybody to fight your tickets.

It is no longer our town. It is just a nameless, faceless city that was once dubbed America's Finest City in its heyday. And it's no longer that. Now it's just a city, one that we can no longer afford to live in and must move from in order to find affordable housing to raise our families in foreign places rather than in the city that we love and knew and grew up in, and that's a darn shame.

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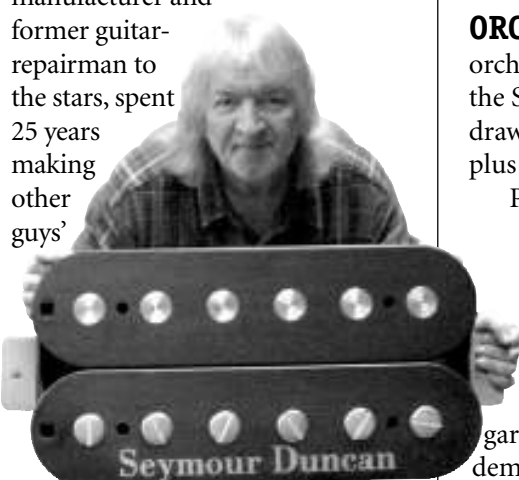


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EAST MEETS WEST Sushi's 10 in 10 performance festival continues with two San Francisco dance groups (Keith Hennessey and Motion Lab) and one New York City-based duo (Karl Anderson and Kate Weare) in postmodern dance mixed with politics. See **DANCE**, page 92

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Gourmet's editor speaks with UCSD professor and food author John Welchman about her memoir, *Garlic and Sapphires*. See **LECTURES**, page 97

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and at the Athenaeum in La Jolla at 7:30 p.m. with Dr. Nicolas Reveles. See **LECTURES**, page 96

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MODERN PERCUSSIONISTS

Student Mathias Reumert performs music by Reich, Xenakis, and UCSD's Roger Reynolds and Steven Schick. See **CLASSICAL MUSIC**, page 109

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Birds of a Feather

Intentional Communities Meeting

I'm not a vegetarian, and I don't want to live in the College Area," says Rodney Johnson, explaining why he is not interested in joining either of two local communes. Johnson would rather form his own commune and has begun the process online as organizer for the San Diego Intentional Communities Meetup Group. This group is one of nearly 200,000 on *meetup.com*, a website where people can find like-minded individuals in their hometowns and arrange to meet in person.

Johnson refers to his ideal living situation as an "intentional community" rather than a commune. He is not the first. According to the intentional communities website *ic.org*, there are over 900 such communities in the United States — 127 in California and at least 2 in San Diego County.

Of the 32 members of Johnson's online group, 17 are inactive, meaning they have not logged on to the group's site in over three months. The next discussion meeting for those interested in forming intentional communities in San Diego will take place at the Living Room Coffeehouse in Hillcrest on Saturday, April 9.

The College Area commune to which Johnson refers is called the Enchanted Garden and was formed by Leslie Goldman, private owner of the modest residence. Housemates of Enchanted Garden enjoy "garden parties" twice a month and are encouraged to grow their own food. "In the front yard alone we have a large tropical fruit tree called rose apple," says Goldman, as well as a Meyer lemon tree, two navel orange trees, and a banana tree. "I have different herbs that are also edible, such as chocolate-scented peppermint and lemon balm, which is soothing for the hurting heart. I have other fragrant herbs that feed the senses more than the tummy."

To fill a vacancy a roommate must sign a contract agreeing to respect the "quiet hours" (9 p.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. each day) and attend a weekly meeting. Rent is \$430 a month if the resident is willing to contribute 12 hours of work a month; the type of work is not specified, though one must assume it has to do with the yard. Rent is \$550 a month if one would rather skip the extra tasks, but don't expect to get out of "EDU" (everyday upkeep).

Goldman admits, "Not all people are suited for this lifestyle." At one point an Enchanted Garden resident caused a conflict by



Rodney Johnson

eating sausages. Not all residents are vegetarian, but they maintain a vegetarian kitchen. To resolve the issue, the housemate began preparing his meat on a George Foreman grill. The main conflicts, according to Goldman, center on "living together and keeping clean." Some have moved out because they didn't want to be told what to do. "I have gotten into conflicts over the garden," says Goldman. "All people see gardening differently. I prefer a wild look...sometimes I just have to sit on my feelings when a plant I loved was mistakenly uprooted. Rather a dead plant than a hurt person."

In the hills of Cardiff-by-the-Sea lies a nonsmoking vegetarian community in a giant house complete with a year-round edible garden, Jacuzzi, exercise equipment, and sauna. Temporary stays, or "rejuvenation programs," are offered with supervision for those who wish to learn more about "community making" and "the benefits of whole, raw, living food." It is forbidden to smoke, drink alcohol, or prepare



The Enchanted Garden Intentional Community

any meat in the house. Rent is from \$550 to \$750 per month.

According to my source, who declined to be identified, at this commune, "Issues are resolved by confrontation, then benevolent dictatorship, and eviction. We have found that many community seekers are just looking for a free ride and do not want to pay their way. It is very, very rare for those who contact us through our website to be acceptable for residency. We run the community as a business and make business decisions on how residents are treated and how to deal with those who do not keep their word."

Unlike these two communities, Johnson's will not have a strict regimen. What are some basic tenets? Johnson responds, "To meet and know each other before we share a home. You find the people you want to live with first, and then you move in. Put agreements down on paper — a mission statement, a vision statement."

Johnson stresses the economical value of shared housing and hopes to find a site in an urban neighborhood for at least six to a dozen residents. "Three or four would be too small; that's not enough for a community." He has never lived in a commune before, but attempted to form one in Houston (his native city) two years ago. He was unsuccessful due to "lack of interest" and has returned to San Diego, his home of the past 20 years, to try again. Johnson, 49, is a home health care provider for the ill and elderly.

"I have done a lot of research on existing communities and noticed that most of them

were somewhat narrow in their scope," Johnson says. "Some are religious, some are female only, some are no children. I have worked with children for many years. I enjoy children." Johnson, who has no children of his own, adds that he wishes for a community that is accepting of all ages, religions, and lifestyles.

One female member of Johnson's intentional communities group is a bisexual mother who participates in many other Meetup groups, including Alternative Parent, Camping, Ecotourism, Homebirth, Pagan Parenting, Pantheism, and many others. One man also belongs to Polyamory and Pagan groups. Another man shares membership with Gay Runners Under 30 and Scrabble groups. Remaining members range from those who are gung-ho on the idea of extreme tolerance in an intentional community to those who are simply looking for an affordable place to live while transitioning to a more permanent residence. The San Diego Intentional Communities Meeting Group has not yet looked at any potential sites for its new home.

— Barbarella

San Diego Intentional Communities Meeting

Saturday, April 9

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BAJA

"Pharonic and Middle-Eastern Dances" presented by Yazmina Zarod and Sahara Stars for spring gala on Thursday, April 7, 7 p.m., at Casa de la Cultura (Avenida Paris #5, in Colonia Altamira). \$5 U.S. 011-52-664-687-2604. (TIJUANA)

The Comedy Me, Mother, Me, Daughter, performed Thursday, April 7, at 7 and 9:30 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)



Monsoon Wedding at Carlsbad City Library, April 9 (see Film)

"Open-Ended/inSite_05 Preview" documenting the artistic and curatorial processes going into "inSite_05," opens with reception on Friday, April 8, at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Exhibit includes artists' proposals for site-specific, three- and four-dimensional creations; proposals vary widely in presentation style. 619-230-0005. (TIJUANA)

Wine and Dine, Baja California Tours hosts outing led by David Clark, Saturday, April 9. Event includes tours and tasting at Chateau Camou, Monte Xanic, and L.A. Cetto wineries in Valle de Guadalupe. \$79 fee includes lunch,

transportation. Reservations: 858-454-7166. (ENSENADA)

"Sleep with Me," hypnotist Tony Kamo performs at 7 and 9:30 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, April 11 and 12, at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

OUTDOORS

Less Rain, warmer temperatures, and hazier skies coincide with the subtle onset of San Diego's spring season. By April's end, the alternating periods of rainfall and crys-

tal-clear skies we've been having will likely be distant memories. The nocturnal, low overcast starting to hug the coast right about now will gradually build into "June gloom" — days-long episodes of perpetual overcast that can dog us through the late spring.

Mustard, a nonnative plant more like a weed than a wildflower, is blooming profusely on grassy slopes all along the coastline of San Diego County. On certain hillsides with moist ground, mustard plants are reaching ten or more feet in height. An old story, probably apocryphal, tells of the padres scattering mustard seed along the El Camino Real so that the bright yellow mustard blossoms would help them find their way in future spring seasons. More likely, the plant was introduced to western North America in the form of seeds carried in the hay used to feed livestock brought in by the early settlers.

The Anza-Borrego Flower Bloom continues, albeit at a more subdued level than that of a few weeks ago. At elevations of 2000 to 4000 feet, look for several species of plump cacti blooming in a rainbow of colors. Desert agaves are

sending up green, asparagus-like stalks that will soon be crowned with yellow flower clusters. For the latest update on this season's spectacular and enduring wildflower bloom, call Anza-Borrego Desert State Park's wildflower hotline, 760-767-4684, for a recorded message. In the next month or so, the message will be updated weekly, typically on Thursday or Friday.

A Rare Hybrid Annular-Total Solar Eclipse takes place over the equatorial Pacific Ocean on Friday, April 8. San Diego lies at the extreme northern limit of the partial eclipse zone associated with this event. In portions of southeastern San Diego County, the moon may appear to take the slightest "bite" out of the round disk of the sun at around 2:50 p.m.

Gather Around Sunset on east side of Mission Trails Regional Park; members of San Diego Astronomy Association host public viewing with telescopes, Friday, April 8. Equipment remains set up until around 10 p.m. Meet in Kumeyaay Campground parking lot, Two Father Junipero Serra Trail. Free. 619-668-3275. (MISSION GORGE)

Gaslamp Quarter Walking Tours offered Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, 10 a.m. to noon. Tour guide Gino Lizardi reveals romantic past of restaurant row, presents updates on current building boom. \$10. Reservations: 619-239-7515. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

A Thin, Smiling Crescent Moon returns to the evening sky on Saturday, April 9. Look for this sliver of a moon very low in the west at dusk. During twilight on

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LOCAL EVENTS

the following evening (Sunday), the moon will stand considerably higher in the western sky and exhibit most distinctly the phenomenon known as earthshine, or “the old moon in the new moon’s arms.” This dim glow on the moon’s night hemisphere is caused by reflected sunlight coming from Earth’s daytime hemisphere.

Creek to Bay Cleanup, Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. to noon, at 25 sites around San Diego County. I Love a Clean San Diego hosts event, provides supplies. Free. Cleanup sites, registration: 800-237-2583. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

Early Spring Migrants are possible sightings, along with Pacific-slope flycatchers, when Audubon Society birds head to Blue Sky Ecological Reserve, Saturday, April 9, 8 a.m. to noon. Meet at parking lot; find reserve on Espola Road, one-half mile north of Lake Poway Road. Considerable hiking of a moderately strenuous nature over level ground. Free. 619-280-7710. (POWAY)

Asian Pacific Historic District Tours offered on the second Saturday of each month, including April 9. Tours start at 11 a.m. at Chinese Historical Museum (404 Third Avenue). \$2. Required reservations: 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)



Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company in Mandeville Auditorium, April 12 (see Dance)

Sixteen-Mile Conditioning Hike over challenging, scenic trails led by naturalist Don Parnell through Daley Ranch on Saturday, April 9. Starts at 8:30 a.m. in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Free. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. Bring water. (ESCONDIDO)

Palm Walk, Offshoot Tours offers its monthly hour-long guided stroll exploring structure, growth habits, landscape value of palm trees, Saturday, April 9, beginning at visitors’ center at 10 a.m. Free. 619-235-1121. (BALBOA PARK)

Second Saturday Nature Walks at the Reserve, San Elijo Lagoon Conservancy hosts walk featuring migratory birds and na-

tive plants, Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. Free. Directions: 760-436-3944. (CARDIFF-BY-THE-SEA)

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

Bring Weeding Tools and Work Gloves to help Audubon Society volunteers remove invasive plants at California least tern nesting site at Mariner’s Point on Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. to noon. Reservations and directions:

619-224-4591 or 858-581-7602. (MISSION BAY)

Garden Conservancy’s 2005 Open Days program features three private gardens in Valley Center, with tours from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 9. Begin tour at 9679 Old Castle Road or 15515 Villa Sierra Road. Admission to each garden: \$5. 888-842-2442. (VALLEY CENTER)

Identify Wildlife Tracks when San Diego Tracking Team hosts beginning and intermediate tracking walks, Saturday, April 9, 8 a.m., in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve. To reach Adobe Ranch House, take Canyonside Park Drive off Black Mountain Road, follow signs to

ranch house. 858-513-0359. Free. (RANCHO PENASQUITOS)

Wear Shoes That Can Get Wet for frog hike on Sunday, April 10, 3 to 5 p.m., in Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve. Participants look for frogs, toads, and tadpoles, learn about their life cycles. Free. Start point: 858-484-3219. (SORRENTO VALLEY)

Early Spring’s Glory Garden Tour sponsored by Fraternity House, Sunday, April 10, 1 to 5 p.m. Garden themes: “Southwestern Succulence,” “Vive la France,” “Riveting Roses,” “An Amazing Place.” \$25. Tour starts at Olivenhain Meeting Hall (423 Rancho Santa Fe). 760-736-0292. (ENCINITAS, RANCHO SANTA FE)

Grunion Fun Run offered by Birch Aquarium-Museum on Sunday, April 10, 10 p.m. to midnight. Lecture, film on grunion, moonlight beach explorations. Fee: \$10 for adults, \$6 for children 6–13. Reservations, directions: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

Rediscover South Escondido Boulevard during historic walking tour led by Escondido Citizens Ecology Committee, Tuesday, April 12, 6 p.m., starting at northeast corner of Escondido Boulevard (at 5th Avenue). 760-743-8207. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

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DANCE

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

Performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. on Sunday, at St. Cecilia’s Playhouse (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 Theatre (ENS-200) at San Diego State University. 858-484-7791. (SDSU)

Nadege and Rachel George present bellydance dinner show with live music by Middle-Earth Ensemble, Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., at Greek Palace (8878 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). No cover. 858-573-0155. (KEARNY MESA)

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Croatian Dances taught by Mary Marshall at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 9, at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street). Possible "quick review" of *pusteno* and *berence* from Macedonian workshop. Request dancing follows. \$6. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

"MixUp Project 3" presented by Dunn-Razo Dance on Saturday, April 9, 7 and 8 p.m., in front window at Art Produce Gallery (3139 University Avenue). Donation. 619-280-0039. Seating is outside. (NORTH PARK)

Fusion-Style Bellydance performed by Velvet Gypsy Tribal on Saturday, April 9, 9 and 10 p.m., at Egyptian Tea Room (4644 College Avenue). Free. 619-265-7287. (SDSU)

Latin and Ballroom Dance Party Saturday, April 9, at Pattie Wells Dancetime Center (1255 West Morena Boulevard). Dancing for singles and couples of all ages. DJ plays music for dancing, 7:30 to 10 p.m. Dance lesson: 8 p.m. 619-275-3533. \$7. (BAY PARK)

English Country Dancing takes place every Sunday, 6 to 9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). Ellen Riley is caller on April 10. Beginner's instruction at 6 p.m. \$6

per class; \$20 per month. 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

Sunday Zapateado, *Campeche* presented by Ballet Folklorico en Aztlan on April 10, 2 p.m., at Centro Cultural de la Raza (2125 Park Boulevard). \$2. 619-235-6135. (BALBOA PARK)

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

Wednesday Night Club, gather for West Coast swing and New York hustle, plus ballroom and social dance mix on April 13, 7 to 11 p.m., upstairs at Mission Valley Resort Hotel (875 Hotel Circle South). Lesson by Mary Manzella (7:15). \$8. 619-596-9777. (MISSION VALLEY)

Dance Studio Hour presented by students in MiraCosta College's dance classes, Thursday, April 14, 7:30 p.m., in room 204 at San Elijo campus (3333 Manchester Avenue). Dance in variety of styles performed. Free. 760-795-6815. (CARDIFF)

F I L M

Stoked to Be Back! The Bill-abong Jack McCoy Surf Film Festival returns with screenings April 7-9. Festival includes *Bunyip Dreaming* and *Fair Bits!* Flicks

begin at 7 and 9:15 p.m. on Thursday at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). (LA JOLLA)

Festival moves to La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway) for screenings at 7 and 9:15 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Tickets for either location: \$9. 949-443-9020. (ENCINITAS)

The San Diego International Children's Film Festival runs April 8-10 at Museum of Photographic Arts. Festival showcases collection of animated and live-action short films from around the world. Opening-night party on Friday with reception (6 p.m.), selection of films (7 p.m.). Tickets: \$15 general, \$10 for those 17 and under. Films for all ages shown 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. on Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on Sunday. Flicks for those seven and older begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, 1:30 p.m. on Sunday; films for kids 11 and older at 3 p.m. on Saturday and 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. LeVar Burton will be on hand on Saturday. Filmmaking workshops on April 9 and 10. Tickets, information: 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

The American Film *The Lost Boys of Sudan* screens for International Film Series at MiraCosta College, Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., room 3601 on campus (One

Barnard Drive). 760-757-2121 x6284. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

"Jew-Boy Levi" screens for San Diego State University Film Festival presented by history department, Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., in Little Theater. Discussion led by Lawrence Baron. Free. 619-594-5262. In German with English subtitles. (SDSU)

"La Dolce Vita," an exhibit of original photos by Pierluigi Pratur-lon from set of Federico Fellini's film, opens with reception on Friday, April 8, at Galerie d'Art International. Documentary *L'ultima Sequenza* and *La Tivu di Fellini* screen at 6 p.m.

Movie series begins with *La Dolce Vita* on Tuesday, April 12, 6 p.m. *Variety Lights* shows on Thursday, April 14, 6 p.m. Find gallery at 320 South Cedros Avenue, suite 500. 858-793-0316. (SOLANA BEACH)

Cinema Society of Carlsbad convenes for Indian film *Monsoon Wedding* on Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m., in Schulman Auditorium at Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Introductory remarks, post-film discussion by *North County Times* film critic Ann Zivotsky. \$15. In Hindi, Punjabi, English, Urdu, with English subtitles. 760-602-2049. (LA COSTA)

A Computer Animation Showcase with shorts and visual-music pieces is Saturday, April 9, in Price Center Theatre at UCSD. Screenings begin at 6 and 9 p.m. \$3. 858-793-1900. (LA JOLLA)

"Varian's War" tells of American journalist Varian Fry, who rescued more than 2000 Jews from Nazi-occupied France during World War II. Film — starring William Hurt, Julia Ormond, Matt Craven, Alan Arkin, Lynn Redgrave — screens Sunday, April 10, 7 p.m., at Tifereth Israel Synagogue (6660 Cowles Mountain Boulevard). \$5. 619-697-6001. (SAN CARLOS)

The "Homeopathic Documentary" *Mystery of Healing* screens Sunday, April 10, 10:30 a.m., at Wellness Center (3268 Governor Drive). Free. 858-457-0191 x19. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

The Cross-Cultural Romance *Ae Fond Kiss* set in Glasgow, screens in English and Punjabi, with English subtitles, for Film Forum on Monday, April 11, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Art and Music provide theme for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series. Enjoy *Evita* on Wednesday, April 13, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

"Esperanza en Tiempos Dificiles (Argentina: Hope in Hard Times)" reveals "dark humor and ingenuity of Argentines as their country's economy collapses and ordinary citizens" confront hunger, poverty, 40 percent unemployment. Film screens Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m., at



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LOCAL EVENTS

Mission Valley Library (2123 Fen-ton Parkway; 858-573-5007). Free. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Highlights of the Short List" screen on Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Program features international short films from long-running series produced by Jack O'Field of SDSU. Films include *Good Luck Mr. Grosky*, *Mama*

Said, *The Life of Elves*, *The Photographer*, others. \$8. 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

"Invisible Children," shot in southern Africa by three San Diegans, offers "look into the 17-year war and child abductions" in northern Uganda. See dramatic film on Thursday, April 14, 6:30 p.m., at Museum of Photographic Arts. \$10. 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Rhythms of the World*, *Mystery of the Nile*, *Roar: Lions of the Kalahari*. Fridays at the Fleet continues every Friday night, featuring two classic IMAX films. Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

"Journalism and the Iraq War" examined when journalist Joseph Logan speaks on Thursday,

April 7, 3 p.m., in Weaver Center at Institute of the Americas, UCSD. Following stints in Turkey, Syria, Kurdistan, Iraq, he now works as freelance television producer and print reporter, based in Syria and Lebanon. Free. 858-822-5297. (LA JOLLA)

"Beyond the Property Line: Housing, City, and Territory" is theme for ongoing "Dialogues in Art and Architecture" series. Participants on Thursday, April 7, are lecturers Frank Barkow, Regine Lelabinger; respondents are Paul Zelevansky and Gail Goldberg. Program begins at 7:30 p.m., at Woodbury University School of Architecture (1060 Eighth Avenue). Free. 858-454-5872. (DOWNTOWN)

"Where Did All Those Planes Go?" Aviation archeologist Craig Fuller has located and documented over 250 crash sites in Southwest and supports researchers with archive of military crash reports. Fuller presents lecture on Thursday, April 7, 7:30 p.m., at San



"California Native Plants for Your Garden" at Surfside Race Place, April 11 (see Lectures)

Diego Aerospace Museum. \$15. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

"Figurative Sculpture" explained by Gwen Gomez during gallery talks on Thursday, April 7 (6 p.m.), and Sunday, April 10

(2 p.m.), at San Diego Museum of Art. Included in regular admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

Famous and Infamous Characters from San Diego County's past discussed by author Jack Innis for "History Alive" series hosted by

Lemon Grove Historical Society on Thursday, April 7, 1:30 p.m. in H. Lee House Cultural Center (3205 Olive Street). \$2. 619-460-4353. Booksigning follows. (LEMON GROVE)

Artist Ryan McGinness discusses his work and exhibits "Pain-Free Kittens" on Thursday, April 7, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown (1001 Kettner Boulevard). Donation. 619-234-1001. (DOWNTOWN)

"Beyond the Prescription Label: Understanding Your Medications" seminar offered on Thursday, April 7, 2 p.m., at James Edgar and Jean Jessop Hervey Library (Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire Street). Free. 619-531-1539. (POINT LOMA)

"Emily Carr: Canada's Rebel Painter" explored when novelist Susan Vreeland speaks for Docent Guest lecture at San Diego Museum of Art on Friday, April 8, 10 a.m. \$10. 619-696-1953. (BALBOA PARK)

"Recent Discoveries from the San Diego County Project" illuminated when SDSU's Seth Malios reveals "trends in commemoration" for American Institute of Archaeology on Friday, April 8, 7:15 p.m., in West Commons 220 at San Diego State University. Free. 858-755-7209. (SDSU)

"Visions of the Virgin: An Astrological Analysis of Divine Intercession" presented by Courtney Roberts for San Diego Astrological Society on Friday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., at Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). \$12. 760-310-4152. (HILLCREST)

"Michelangelo: The Renaissance Master Artist" is subject for talks by British art historian David Lowe on April 8 and 9, 7 p.m., at Waldorf School (3547 Altadena Avenue).

Lowe focuses on "Michelangelo's Sculpture" on Friday and on "The Painting of the Sistine Chapel" on Saturday. Requested donation per talk: \$10. 760-722-1340. (EAST SAN DIEGO)

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"Reform of City Government" is examined by San Diego City Attorney Michael Aguirre when University Club meets on Friday, April 8, 7:30 to 9 a.m., atop Symphony Towers (750 B Street, suite 3400). \$20. 619-234-5200. (DOWNTOWN)

"GenderConnections" event on gender stereotypes hosted by Gender Public Advocacy Coalition, Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., at the Center (3909 Centre Street). Free. 619-692-2077. (HILLCREST)

"Artifact Interact," educational workshop demonstrating how archaeologists work in field and lab to sift through local artifacts to determine cultural heritage, Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at San Diego Archaeological Center (16666 San Pasqual Valley Road). \$18 fee includes lunch. 858-674-2275 x14. (ESCONDIDO)

Use Plant Fibers to create a basket during class led by Sue Ellen Benson on Saturday, April 9, 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Cuyamaca College's Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). \$25 fee includes materials. Required reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

"Digital Cameras for Newbies" presented by Lee Otsubo, a.k.a. the Digital Photo Guy, Saturday, April 9, 11 a.m., at Oceanside Mission Branch Library (3861 Mission Avenue). 760-435-5640. Free. (OCEANSIDE)

Oil Pastel Demonstration offered by Susan Osborn when Clairemont Art Guild meets on Saturday, April 9, 12:30 p.m., at South Clairemont Recreation Center (3605 Clairemont Drive). Free. 858-278-5596. (CLAIREMONT)

"Succulents of Namibia" highlighted when botanist Gary James presents slide-illustrated talk when San Diego Cactus and Succulent Society meets on Saturday, April 9, 1 p.m., in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Free. 858-270-5544. (BALBOA PARK)

"Strengths of Western Women" chronicled when Margaret Fairfield Read speaks for San

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With canyons and ravines numbering in the thousands or tens of thousands, the one-thousand-square-mile Anza-Borrego Desert State Park offers a lifetime of scenic exploration. Even the smaller canyons of the park offer a variety of biological habitats: sandy washes where smoke trees periodically deal with destructive flash floods, north-facing slopes where pinyon pines and junipers take refuge from the glaring sun, and south-facing slopes where drought-resistant agave and cacti plump up to store every bit of meager runoff they can get from infrequent rains.

Lizard Canyon (a.k.a. Lizard Wash) is one such canyon, moderate in width, length, and depth compared to others in Anza-Borrego. It lies in the central part of the park, just south of Highway 78, in an area known as the North Pinyon Mountains.

A circumspectly marked unpaved road departs from Highway 78 at mile 75.9 (as reckoned by the white state highway mileage markers) and goes south along the bottom of Lizard Canyon for about a mile. That road is suit-



Lizard Canyon's desert agave

able for high-clearance vehicles, and probably disastrous for most passenger cars. So those with low-slung vehicles should park alongside Highway 78 and hike in from there.

At a point 0.7 mile into Lizard Canyon, the canyon divides. The unpaved road bends left, staying in the shallower, wider, East Fork Lizard Canyon. Abandon the road at this point (not in your car, but on foot!) and enter the more-interesting, narrower, deeper, roadless West Fork Lizard Canyon on the right.

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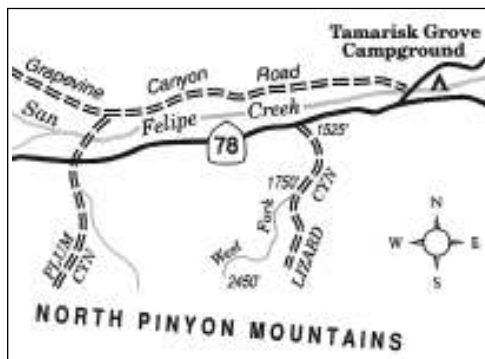
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Diego Genealogical Society on Saturday, April 9, noon to 3 p.m., at Saint Dunstan's Church (6556 Park Ridge Boulevard). Free. 619-588-0065. (SAN CARLOS)

"The Story of Horse Canyon" is told by instructors from Anza-Borrego Institute on Saturday, April 9, 2 to 4 p.m., at Borrego Springs Performing Arts Center. Horse Canyon is part of aborigi-

nal land of Mountain Cahuilla people. \$5. Reservations: 760-767-0446. (BORREGO SPRINGS)

"The Persian Gulf: In the Eye of the Storm" presented by Ali Gheissari (Iran), Joseph Kechichian (Iraq), and Uzi Rabi (Saudi Arabia), Sunday, April 10, 1 p.m., at Temple Emanu-El (6299 Capri Drive). Free talk is part of New Perspectives in Judaic Studies

lecture series. Free. 619-594-5338. (SAN DIEGO)

"One Woman's Survival under Saddam Hussein" is topic when world traveler Betty Burk speaks for People to People International, Sunday, April 10, 3 p.m., in Green Hall at Alliant International University (10455 Pomerado Road). Free. 858-484-6069. (SCRIPPS RANCH)

"Music for Life: Improvisation for the Amateur Musician" presented by jazz flutist, teacher Bradley Leighton, Sunday, April 10, 1 to 5 p.m., at Game Time (12735 Poway Road). Concert follows at 7 p.m. Fee: \$35 for high schoolers, \$55 for adults. 858-484-8609. (POWAY)

"The Status of Same-Sex Marriage" is topic for lecture by

San Francisco mayor Gavin Newsom, Monday, April 11, 6 p.m., in RIMAC Arena at UCSD. Panel discussion by professors from UCSD, USD, Cal Western follows. Free. 858-534-1704. (LA JOLLA)

"California Natives in Your Garden" explored by Bart O'Brien when San Diego Horticultural Society meets on Monday, April 11, at 6:30 p.m. at Surfside Race Place at Del Mar Fairgrounds. O'Brien is director of horticulture at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in Claremont. Talk followed by plant forum. Free. 760-730-3268. (DEL MAR)

Examine Samuel Barber's *Vanessa* opera preview examining music, drama, and history of upcoming San Diego Opera production, Monday, April 11, 7:30 p.m., at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Speaker: pianist and composer Nicolas Reveles, education director at San Diego Opera. \$8. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

Multimedia Presentation on opera *Vanessa* planned by Ron Shaheen on Monday, April 11, 7 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). Donation: \$2.25. 619-298-9978. (HILLCREST)

Shaheen repeats preview on Tuesday, April 12, 2 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Boating Skills and Seaman-ship Course offered by Flotilla 16-03 of U.S. Coast Guard auxiliary, starting Monday, April 11, 7:30 p.m., at San Diego County Health Building (3851 Rosecrans Street). Subjects: boat construction, boat handling, safety and legal requirements, aids to navigation, marlinespike. Materials charge. Registration: 619-446-2145. (SAN DIEGO)

Fire and Land Management in Southern California is topic when biologist and fire ecologist Richard Halsey presents slide-illustrated lecture on Monday, April 11, 7 p.m., at Escondido Library (239 South Kalmia Street). Booksigning follows. Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

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the stars" offered by Ed Kohout on Monday, April 11, 7 p.m., at Philosophical Library (507 South Escondido Boulevard). Donation: \$5. 760-745-2724. (ESCONDIDO)

The Saga of a Culinary Life is charted in *Garlic and Sapphires*, the newest book by *Gourmet* magazine editor Ruth Reichl when she speaks for Revelle Forum, Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). \$35. Suggested reservations: 858-534-3400. (LA JOLLA)

"Social Security: Where Do We Go From Here?" Find out during panel discussion with Jagadeesh Gokhale (fellow at Cato Institute) and Ridge Multop (of AARP) on Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Free. Required reservations: 619-594-3095. (BALBOA PARK)

Conceptual and Installation Art Pioneer Joseph Kosuth speaks on Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Free. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

"Backing-Up Your Computer and Its Vital Data" is subject when Dan Fults speaks for Computer-Oriented Group of North San Diego County Genealogical Society on Tuesday, April 12, 1 p.m., at Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). 760-744-7530. Free. (CARLSBAD)

"A Taste of American Poetry" offered by poet and workshop leader Megan Webster, Tuesday, April 12, 2 p.m., at Spring Valley Library (836 Kempton Street). Free. 619-463-3006. (SPRING VALLEY)

Fix a Flat, learn brake and derailleur adjustment, more, when REI shop technicians offer basic bicycle maintenance clinics on Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 p.m., at REI Encinitas (1590 Leucadia Boulevard; 760-944-9020) and REI San Diego (5556 Copley Drive; 858-279-4400). Free. (ENCINITAS, KEARNY MESA)

"Drug Awareness" is theme for presentation by Proactive Network Against Substance Abuse on Tuesday, April 12, 6 p.m., at Steele Canyon High School (12440 Campo Road). Free. 858-493-0392. (SPRING VALLEY)

"A Rare Look at Rare Books" offered when librarian Margi Dykens leads visit to Rare Book Room on third floor of San Diego Natural History Museum on Tuesday, April 12, 6:30 p.m. \$10. Registration: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

"Hope and Inspiration: Women Making a Difference in Nicaragua" — benefit for Maria Luisa Ortiz Clinic in Mulukuku, Nicaragua, planned Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). Guest speaker is clinic director Dorothy Granada. Donation. 858-459-4650. (HILLCREST)

What's the 911 Process? Karen Dalton of San Diego Medical Services and a local paramedic discuss the whole "911" process — such as patient routing, why certain questions are asked, what you need to know when calling — on Wednesday, April 13, 1 p.m., at James Edgar and Jean Jessop Hervey Library (Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire Street). Free. 619-531-1539. (POINT LOMA)

"American Foreign Policy and the Age of Empire" is topic on Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417

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"Borders of Intimacy: Patricia Frischer and Cheryl Tall" — exhibit of mixed-media paintings by Frischer and ceramic sculptures by Tall in San Diego Mesa College Art Gallery (D-104) continues through Tuesday, April 26. Artists present lecture on Wednesday, April 13, 1 p.m., in Art Gallery; find campus at 7250 Mesa College Drive. 619-388-2829. (KEARNY MESA)

"Keeping Your 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)

A Poetry Workshop for All Ages is planned by Jane McCreery on Wednesday, April 13, 6:30 p.m., at Solana Beach Library (at Earl Warren Middle School, 157 Stevens Avenue). Public invited to write a new poem or recite a favorite. Free. 858-755-1404. (SOLANA BEACH)

McCreery repeats workshop

on Thursday, April 14, 3:30 p.m., at Rancho Santa Fe Library (17040 Avenida de Acacias). Required reservations: 858-756-4780. Free. (RANCHO SANTA FE)

"Diasporic Aesthetics, National Literatures, Partition Fictions" — lecture by UCSD literature professor Rosemary George on Wednesday, April 13, 3 p.m., in room 107 of Social Science building at UCSD, part of "Race and Ethnicity in American Life" series. Free. 858-534-3276. (LA JOLLA)

"Yankee, Go Home: Lessons from the War of 1898" offered when SUNY Stony Brook professor Lou Charnon compares cartoons of 1898 war with those depicting current Iraq war on Wednesday, April 13, 4 p.m., in room 3155 of UCSD literature building. Free. 858-534-4618. (LA JOLLA)

Editorial Cartoonist Steve Breen of *San Diego Union-Tribune* speaks about his work on Thursday, April 14, 2 p.m., in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Breen received Pulitzer Prize in 1998. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

Stories of Loss and Rebuilding shared by Kieu Chinh, Vietnam native and actor in *The Joy Luck Club*, when she presents Asian American History keynote speech on Thursday, April 14, 7 p.m., in Hahn University Forum at University of San

Diego (5998 Alcala Park). Free. 619-260-4681. (LINDA VISTA)

"\$3 Billion for Stem Cell Research: Proposition 71 and the California Biotech Industry" examined when John C. Reed, M.D., speaks for UCSD Economics Roundtable on Thursday, April 14, 7:30 a.m., at UCSD Faculty Club. \$50 fee includes breakfast, parking. Registration: 858-822-0510. (LA JOLLA)

World Trade Center Memorial Designer and acclaimed architect Daniel Libeskind speaks on Sunday, April 17, 5 p.m., at Congregation Beth Israel Glickman-Galinson Sanctuary (9001 Towne Centre Drive). \$35. 858-535-1111 x3128. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

"The Birth of a Chocolate Manufacturer" illuminated when John Scharffenberger speaks on Monday, April 18, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Scharffenberger will describe his journey to become a premiere chocolatier; sampling follows. \$8. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

IN PERSON

Laurie Okuma Memorial Reading showcases poet Carol Lem on Thursday, April 7, 7 p.m., in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State Univer-



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sity. Lem is author of numerous books of poetry. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

Gee, Officer Krupke! Students at San Diego School of Creative and Performing Arts present the Jerome Robbins and Leonard Bernstein classic *West Side Story*, April 7-16. The 1950s take on *Romeo and Juliet* may be seen at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays, at 2 p.m. on Saturdays, in Florence Johnson Grand Theatre on campus (2425 Dusk Drive). \$7-\$8. 619-470-0555 x232. (PARADISE HILLS)

The Folk Collection performs "songs reminiscent of the Kingstons

Trio, Limelighters, and Peter, Paul and Mary" for First Thursday Concert on April 7, 7 p.m., in Escondido Library's Turrentine Room (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

The Musical Hair presented by Muir College Music Ensemble, Thursday through Saturday, April 7-9, 8 p.m., in Mandeville Auditorium. Play "questions the standards of morality, sexuality, individualism, racism, violence, drug use, loyalty, and social acceptance." \$8 general. 858-534-3587. (LA JOLLA)

Vance Gilbert in concert hosted by AcousticMusicSanDiego on Friday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). Tickets: \$15, \$20. 619-303-8176. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

"The Broadway Concert: A Romantic Journey" presented by San Diego Symphony for Winter Pops concerts on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9. Program includes selections from *West Side Story*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Funny Girl*, *Chicago*, others. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$20-\$60. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Bestselling Novelist Sue Monk Kidd (*The Secret Life of Bees*) visits Warwick's Bookstore to sign her new book, *The Mermaid Chair*, Friday, April 8, 1 p.m. Find the bookstore at 7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347. Books to be signed must be purchased at Warwick's. (LA JOLLA)

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)

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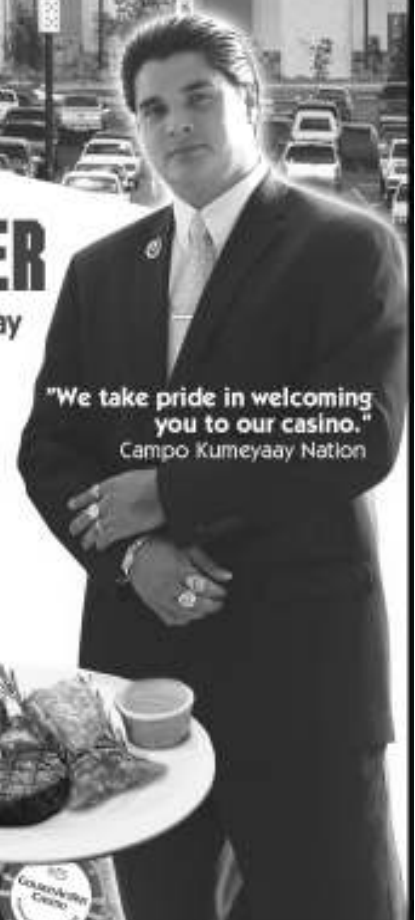


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Peace Activist Medea Benjamin discuss "the growing peace and human rights movement, the power of personal activism, and how we can all work together to stop future wars" on Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., at Women's Club of Carlsbad (3320 Monroe Street). \$10 general. 760-803-8035. (CARLSBAD)

Jamaican Poet Mutabaruka performs Friday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., at WorldBeat Center (2100 Park Boulevard). 619-230-1190. (BALBOA PARK)

Electric Guitar and Bass Pickups are made by Santa Barbara-based Seymour Duncan, who visits Museum of Making Music for "Meet the Music Maker" series on Friday, April 8, 7 p.m. Find museum at 5790 Armada Drive. \$15. Reservations: 760-438-5996 x170. (CARLSBAD)

"Bone" Cartoonist Jeff Smith introduces *Out of Bonesville* on Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

"We Say...You Speak!" Expect "spontaneous laughter and creativity" during poetic improv event on Friday, April 8, 7 p.m., at Arts and Entertainment Center (3026 University Avenue). \$10. 619-750-1151. (NORTH PARK)

Deborah Liv Johnson and bluesman Robin Henkel perform on Saturday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., at Swedenborgian Church (4144 Campus Avenue). \$12. Reservations: 760-200-8515. (SAN DIEGO)



Escondido Renaissance Faire at Felicita Park, April 9 and 10 (see Special)

Molly's Revenge, specializing in traditional music of Ireland, Scotland, and England, performs for San Diego Folk Heritage on Saturday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). \$15. 858-566-4040. (ENCINITAS)

"The Art of Tasnif and Chahar-Mezrab," evening of Persian and Kurdish music promised when Kourosh Taghavi (*setar*), Kourosh Khamoushian (vocals, *tanbur*), and friends perform in concert on Saturday, April 9, 8 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). General admission: \$10. 619-653-0336 or 619-318-1286. (LA JOLLA)

Author Daniel Reveles discusses and signs *Tequila, Lemon, and Salt* on Saturday, April 9, 2 p.m., at Rancho San Diego Library (11555 Via Rancho San Diego). Free. 619-660-5370. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

The Smothers Brothers return for comedy show, along with Yo-Yo Man, on Saturday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., at East County Performing Arts Center (210 East

Main Street). Tickets: \$46, \$56. 619-440-2277. (EL CAJON)

Crystal Vibrations Ensemble Concert with Elivia Melody (singing bowls), Native American flutes, didgeridoo, vocals, on Saturday, April 9, 7 p.m., at Devaloka Yoga Center (609 South Vulcan, suite 101). Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$20 at door. 760-471-7304. "Bring blankets and pillows for deep listening." (ENCINITAS)

Classic and Jazz Favorites promised when San Diego Saxs perform for "Second Sundays" series hosted by San Dieguito Performing Arts Association, April 10, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium at the Carlsbad City Library (1775 Dove Lane). Requested donation: \$5. 760-944-1866. (LA COSTA)

"C.S. Lewis On Stage" presented by Tom Key for "Sunday Night at Lamb's" series, April 10, 7 p.m., at Lamb's Players Theatre (1142 Orange Avenue). Tickets: \$24, \$32. 619-437-0600. (CORONADO)

The Fourth Chapter of The Gospel of John promised when Brad Sherrill presents one-man

performance and dramatic reading on Sunday, April 10, 7 p.m., at First Presbyterian Church (320 Date Street). Donation. 619-232-7513. (DOWNTOWN)

Author Peter Craig signs and discusses *Blood Father* on Monday, April 11, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347). Free. (LA JOLLA)

Fitness Expert, Weight-Loss Coach Jorge Cruise signs *The 3-Hour Diet* on Monday, April 11, 6 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series continues with reading by author Alice Notley on Monday, April 11, 7 p.m., in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

Read Your Poetry, selections by someone else, or just listen during open poetry reading, Monday, April 11, at Twiggs Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard). Sign-ups at 8 p.m., open readings 8:15 to 9:30 p.m. Free. 619-296-0616. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

Comedy Grill features comics Marty Martin, Mark Serritella, Scott Bowman, Mitch Feingold, on Monday, April 11, 8 p.m., at Rosie and Joe's Grill and Cantina (7986 Armour Street). No cover. 858-550-8088. (KEARNY MESA)

"What's Up, America?" A Foreigner's Guide to Understanding Americans" offered by Diane Asitimby when she speaks and discusses her book on Tuesday, April 12, 7 p.m., at Casa del Libro Bookstore (1735 University Avenue; 619-299-9331). Free. (HILLCREST)

"Blue Crush" Star Sanoe Lake and Steven Jarrett discuss and sign *Surfer Girl: A Guide to the Surfing Life*, Wednesday, April 13, at Starbucks in Aztec Center at San Diego State University. Question and answer at 11:30 a.m., signing at noon. Free. 619-594-7528. (SDSU)

Author Donald H. Harrison signs and discusses *Louis Rose: San Diego's First Jewish Settler and Entrepreneur* on Wednesday, April 13, 6:30 p.m., at James Edgar and Jean Jessop Hervey Library (Point Loma Library, 3701 Voltaire Street). Free. 619-531-1539. (POINT LOMA)

Mystery Author Jeff Sherratt discusses and signs *One, Two, and Even* on Wednesday, April 13, 6:30 p.m., in Wangenheim Room at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Sherratt's books star ex-cop and amateur defense attorney Jimmy O'Brien. Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

Celebrate National Poetry Month during open-mike event hosted by Fred Luskin on Wednesday, April 13, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Featured poet is Steve Kowit, author of *Dumbbell Nebula*. Sign-ups at 7 p.m. 858-454-0347. Free. (LA JOLLA)

Russia's Best-Known Living Poet is said to be Yevgeny Yevtushenko, who has also written novels, memoirs, made movies, been involved in politics, taught at university. Yevtushenko will read from his work in English and Russian (with translation presented) on Saturday, April 23, 3 p.m., in community rooms at Oceanside Public Library (330 North Coast

Highway). \$10. Suggested reservations: 760-435-5560. (OCEANSIDE)

Writer Quincy Troupe returns to San Diego to sign and discuss *Little Stevie Wonder* on Tuesday, April 26, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

Legendary Poet and Publisher Lawrence Ferlinghetti reads from his work during 12th annual Border Voices Poetry Fair, Friday, April 29, 7 p.m., in Montezuma Hall, Aztec Center, at San Diego State University. \$15. 619-594-2682. (SDSU)

Ferlinghetti sticks around to read from his new book, *Americus*, Saturday, April 30, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

SPORTS

Organized Velodrome Work-outs resume on Thursday, April 7, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., at San Diego Velodrome. Bicyclists must have some track-racing experience, feel comfortable riding in group. Non-member fee: \$10. Find velodrome at 2221 Morley Field Drive. 760-703-6280. (BALBOA PARK)

The Regular Season Home Opener for San Diego Padres in Petco Park is against Pittsburgh Pirates, April 7-10, at 7:05 p.m. Thursday through Saturday, 1:05 p.m. on Sunday. The Pads head to Chicago for games against Cubs at 11:20 a.m. Monday through Wednesday, April 11-13. Tickets: 877-374-2784. (DOWNTOWN)

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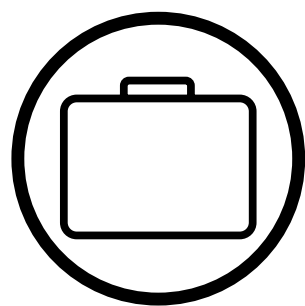
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Diamond Jubilee Morgan Horse Show runs 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday through Sunday, April 8–10, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. 760-747-0506. (DEL MAR)

San Diego Sites and Sights, head out for a bicycle ride for intermediates with Knickerbikers on Saturday, April 9. The 25- to 30-miler begins at 9 a.m. in parking lot on southeast side of Park Avenue and Presidents Way. Bring money for lunch. 619-992-1478. (DOWNTOWN)

Junior's Nationals T-Town Prep and Challenged Athletes track race, Saturday, April 9, at San Diego Velodrome (2221 Morley Field Drive). Track opens at 7:30 a.m.; bicycle racing starts at 9 a.m. 619-447-3757. (BALBOA PARK)

La Jolla Sea Caves Kayak Tour for families hosted by Hike Bike Kayak San Diego on Saturday, April 9, 12:30 p.m. Fee for family of four: \$130, includes equipment. Reservations: 858-551-9510. (LA JOLLA)

Mission Bay Wildlife Kayak Tour, Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. to noon, starting at Aqua Adventures (1548 Quivira Way). No experience required; basic kayak instruction before launch. \$35. 619-523-9577. (PACIFIC BEACH)

XVIII Surfer Bowl hosted by Ocean Beach Geriatric Surf Club, April 9 and 10, at foot of Newport Avenue (just north of Ocean Beach Pier). Heats on Saturday, finals on Sunday. surfing starts at 7 a.m. both days. Spectators free. 619-933-8420. (OCEAN BEACH)

Signature II County Horse Show runs Saturday and Sunday, April 9–10, at Del Mar Horsepark (14550 El Camino Real). 858-794-1171. (DEL MAR)

I.S.F. Middle School State Surf Championships, Saturday and Sunday, April 9 and 10, 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., at south jetty at Ocean-

Poetry | AN EXCERPT FROM *COOLING TIME*

While I sometimes prefer cornbread crumbled in buttermilk to sushi, I do not write from my lost life alone any more than I dictate every term by which I do write.

In my work I am led by my senses, but I understand practical matters. I am neither interested in preserving nor in exorcising the poetry of the hills. There are luminous albeit terrible facts I must simply transcribe. I the scribe. Others, transform. But on the same point, I submit you have to strike down your own mythology about yourself, your loves, your ravishing and atavistic homeland. I am interested in the vision beyond this confrontation. Boundaries of illumination between the created, the re-created, the newly gleaned, the as yet incomprehensible. Speaking for myself, this scribbling saves me from missing a minute of what would otherwise go unpondered, unqualified.

Writing is a risk and a trust. The best of it lies yonder. My linguistic skills expand on the horizon. So does the horizon. My goals are higher-minded than they once were. Once you could say,

I had ambition. I never could write any old way. And like many from my generation, I desire the integrated life.

Uncommitted people do not hold my interest, period. Now that I have a little know-how, even readers, I am hungrier; I don't want to break bread with the word unless convinced I have something in the mix that bears kneading. And someone to finish off the wine with, who is listening. Who is intent. Who will read me the riot act when I shut up.

If I could have written some of the poems Yeats wrote in the late twenties and early thirties, or if I could have broken the ground Beckett broke, I might have a sense of my own solidity and prowess. I

still feel I might turn an irrevocable corner. I want to keep pressing toward the outer edge of my own enterprise, and I want to apprehend my own burning core before the winds blow into their final snuff routine.

Poets are mostly voters and taxpayers, but the alienation of the poet is a common theme. Among poets there are also probably higher than average rates of clutch burnout, job turnover, rooting about, sleep apnea, noncompliance, nervous leg syndrome, depression, litigation, black clothing, and so forth, but this is where we live, or as Leonard Cohen put it, poetry is the opiate of the poets.

— C.D. Wright

side Harbor. Free for spectators. 760-931-1450. (OCEANSIDE)

Tour de Poway Mountain Bike Ride is Saturday, April 9, starting in Old Poway Park (14134 Midland Road). Routes from 4- to 20-mile loops. Registration at 7:30 a.m., with starts at 8:30 a.m. 858-679-1027. (POWAY)

Water Fitness Frenzy 2005 is Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Swanson Pool in Standley Park (3585 Governor Drive). Bring swimsuit for classes, vendor booths. Fee: \$5 general, \$1.50 for seniors/children/disabled. 619-685-1325 or 858-552-1653. (UNIVERSITY CITY)

Climb the Crest with San Diego Bicycle Touring Society riders on Sunday, April 10. Seventy-mile ride starts at McDonald's (551 Telegraph Canyon Road), includes Otay, Alpine, Crest, Bonita. 619-426-8192. (CHULA VISTA)

Climb for Life, climbing clinic and fundraiser for ovarian cancer research planned Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m., at REI Encinitas (1590 Leucadia Boulevard). Pro climber Heidi Wirtz will be on hand. Registration: 760-944-9020. (ENCINITAS)

San Diego Dragon Boat Festival, Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.,

at Playa Pacifica (north of Hilton Hotel). Dragon boating is "one of the oldest and most popular team sports in Asia"; each boat holds a crew of 16-20 people sitting side by side, a steersperson, a drummer whose beat sets pace for crew. The racing is open to public, and organizers are currently looking for teams. No experience required.

Onshore events include "international culinary delights," arts and crafts, community information tables, art exhibit, performers. 858-565-6698. (MISSION BAY PARK)

SPECIAL

The Experimental Aircraft Association hosts visit by World War II B-17 bomber, Friday through Sunday, April 8–10, at Gillespie Field (1960 Joe Crosson Drive). Ground tours: 2 to 6 p.m. Fee: \$6 general, \$5 for students, \$10 per family. 800-359-6217. (EL CAJON)

Head-to-Toe Women's Expo, April 8–10, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Fashion shows, cooking demonstrations, celebrities, over 200 exhibits. Show opens at 10 a.m. each day, closing at 7 p.m. on Friday, 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. \$7 general. 858-272-5677. (DEL MAR)

"Orchids, Ooh-La-La!" 59th annual orchid show and plant sale, April 8–10, at Scottish Rite Masonic Temple (1895 Camino del Rio South). Thousands of orchids on display; many for sale. Hours: 4 to 9 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. \$6 general. 619-426-6831 or 619-997-1208. (MISSION VALLEY)

Bikers for Education host motorcycle poker run on Saturday, April 9, starting with first draw at 8 a.m. at St. Peter's School (at Fallbrook Street and Stage Coach Lane). \$40. 760-583-1919. (FALLBROOK)

Gem Diego, annual show hosted by San Diego Mineral and Gem Society is April 9 and 10 at Al Bahr Shrine Temple (5440 Kearny Mesa Road). Fourteen dealers offer gems, minerals, lapidary, fossils; 40 exhibit cases of member work. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. \$3 general. 858-586-1637. (KEARNY MESA)

Ramona Artists Open Studio Tour 2005 provides chance to visit 16 area artists working in variety of media in 13 private studios. Tour takes place 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, April 9 and 10. \$10. 760-789-7131. (RAMONA)

California Wolf Center hosts public programs focusing on North American gray wolves every

Saturday at 2 p.m. Programs include slide show, visit and tour with resident wolf pack. Tickets: \$8 general, \$5 for seniors, \$4 for children ten and younger. Required reservations: 619-234-WOLF. (JULIAN)

Bridal Fair with 30 vendors planned on Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Portuguese Hall (2818 Avenida de Portugal). Free. 619-225-6665, 619-223-5880. (POINT LOMA)

"Cultural Collage," UCSD's annual celebration at Thurgood Marshall College features traditional music, dance, games of world, food, and children's village. Saturday, April 9, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free. 858-534-4390 or 858-822-2877. (LA JOLLA)

Thousands of Books offered during charity used book sale hosted by El Cajon Elks Lodge (1400 East Washington Avenue) on Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. 619-501-1294. (EL CAJON)

Guided Meditation with live drumming and toning, led by "Shamanic Energework practitioner" Dan Douglas, Saturday, April 9, 6 p.m., at East West Yoga and Health Center (1356 Garnet Avenue). Free. 619-300-4480. (PACIFIC BEACH)

San Diego Intentional Communities "meetup" group gathers to discuss "creation of communal housing" on Saturday, April 9, 10 a.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-261-2182. (HILLCREST)

Visit 127-Year-Old Home owned by Ron and Janie Ogdon during open house on Saturday, April 9, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at 3754 Barbic Court. Property includes 130-year-old Moreton bay fig tree; major restoration has taken place

over past 3 years. Donation: \$2. 619-251-4339. (SPRING VALLEY)

Long Live the Queen! Queen Elizabeth I and her royal court and Renaissance re-enactors converge upon Felicita Park for Spring Renaissance Faires, Saturday and Sunday, April 9 and 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Entertainment, period music, battle pageants, arts and crafts, theater, games.

Admission: \$12 for adults, \$6 for those under 12, free for kids under 5. Find the park at 742 Clarence Lane. 805-496-6036. (ESCONDIDO)

"Poesia Diaria/Everyday Poetry," an art installation, poetry translation project, related to fate of Argentina's 30,000 "disappeared," is on view through Saturday, May 28, at Mission Valley Library (2123 Fenton Parkway). Reception: Sunday, April 10, 3 p.m. Art is by journalist/author Virginia Gianonni of Buenos Aires, who will give brief talk during reception. 858-573-5007. (MISSION VALLEY)

"Medicina Mixteca" exhibition opens during family festival with Oaxacan food, entertainment, "cultural exploration" on Sunday, April 10, 1 to 4 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Free. 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

"Juried Fine Art Exhibit 2005" opens with reception on Sunday, April 10, 2 p.m., at Bonita Museum and Cultural Center (4035 Bonita Road). 619-267-5141. Exhibit continues through Saturday, May 21. (BONITA)

Psychic and Healing Arts Fair, Sunday, April 10, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at Marriott Mission Valley (8757 Rio San Diego Drive). Readings, lectures, vendors by psychics and vendors from all over world. Admission: \$5, two for \$8, seniors and teens \$3, free for those under 12. 800-722-7330. (MISSION VALLEY)

Volunteer Recruitment Fair planned Sunday, April 10, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., in courtyard at San Diego Museum of Man. Fifteen participating organizations from Balboa Park, local museums. Free. 619-239-0512. (BALBOA PARK)

Behind-the-Scenes Tour offered Monday, April 11, 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)

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

Experience a Traditional Tea Ceremony when Sohya Ayako Stott and assistants present demonstrations, Tuesday, April 12, 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. Included in garden admission. 619-232-2780. (BALBOA PARK)

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)

A Japanese Spring Festival is set for Wednesday, April 13, noon to 4 p.m., in student center at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). Drumming by Vista Buddhist Temple Shoken-ji Taiko,

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Reading

Cooling Time: An American Poetry Vigil



C.D. Wright

Copper Canyon Press, 2005; 108 pages; \$15

FROM THE DUST JACKET: An unruly paean to American poetry, *Cooling Time* blurs the divisions between poem, memoir, and essay, while borrowing regularly from the peculiarities and backwaters of the American idiom. The book's title derives from a line of legal defense, unique to Texas courts: if a person kills someone before having time "to cool" after receiving an injury or an insult, he is not guilty of murder. Ever focused on possibilities, C.D. Wright — who was called "one of America's oddest, best, and most appealing poets" by *Publishers Weekly* and who just received a MacArthur fellowship — demonstrates that "the search for models becomes a search for alternatives." Filled with humor, eroticism, and a hypnotic fascination with

language, *Cooling Time* is a prickly love-letter to the life of poetry.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY: From *Publishers Weekly*: A determined and idiosyncratic book of critical thoughts — and not a "poet's memoir" à la Nick Flynn or Katy Lederer — Wright's latest offers criticism, speculation, and personal recollection, most of it divided into self-sufficient prose units, from one sentence to several pages in length. Though she teaches at Brown University in Rhode Island, Wright, who won a MacArthur genius grant this year, hails from the Ozarks, as both her matter and manner often remind us: "I poetry... I also Arkansas," she writes; "sometimes these verbs coalesce. Sometimes they trof out in

opposite directions." ...Readers in the know will decode information about Wright's poet-partner Forrest Gander. The longest memoiristic passage concerns an English teacher; another pokes fun at American poets' habit of joining rival schools, and another describes a car trip through the American Southeast, with its "landscape of big dogs, big melons, big-car longings and dreams big as distant capitals." Readers who seek not autobiography but cogent thoughts, ideas, quotable claims about the state of the art (or about the state of Arkansas) will find themselves delighted.

From *Booklist*: Wright presents a saucy *ars poetica*, a set of flinty prose poems about the art of poetry in general, and her Arkansas-bred aesthetic in par-

ticular. Poetry about poetry might sound deadly, but it is, in fact, a supple tradition used to broach a spectrum of personal and social concerns, beginning with the forces that induced one to become a poet in the first place. Wright writes, "Of the choices revealed to me, crime and art were the only ones with any sex appeal," hence her calling as a poet who ponders art and the art of being, crime and crimes against art. As her subtle implies, poetry has a precarious hold on life in America, so she musters her case and defends her beloved practice with a bravura pastiche of memoir, poetry, criticism, and sass. Along the way she pays scintillating tribute to writers (Gertrude Stein), painters (Georgia O'Keeffe), and musicians (Miles Davis), expresses resis-

tance to and appreciation of the academy, and doesn't neglect the landscape of love.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR: Daughter of an Arkansas judge and a court-reporter mother, C.D. Wright was born in 1949 in Arkansas. "Brought up in a large, unaestheticized house littered with *Congressional Records* and stenotype paper by a Chancery judge and the Court's hazel-eyed Reporter, who took down his every word, which was law. Throughout my childhood I was knife-sharp and aquatic in sunlight. I read," Wright wrote in "An Autobiographical Preface." She also wrote, in that same piece, "I aim to carry the smoked ham of my voice to Beulahland. I do not intend to write as though I had

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"If the writing doesn't reflect...curiosity about what's outside your own drip line, then your creek is going to get wormy."

koto performance by Tayama Koto Ensemble, haiku readings, origami demonstration, tea ceremony, kendo demonstration. Free. 760-795-6612. (OCEANSIDE)

"Kaleidoscope Explosion 2005," more than 20 American kaleidoscope artists exhibit their work through Saturday, April 30, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., in Gallery 21 of Spanish Village. Many for sale. Free admission. 619-233-9050. (BALBOA PARK)

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)

"In the Shadow of the Valley," program with living history presentations, lectures, short videos offered Saturday, April 23, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at San Pasqual Valley Battlefield State Historic Park (15808 San Pasqual Valley Road). \$18 fee includes lunch, materials. Required reservations: 858-674-2275 x14. (ESCONDIDO)

The Flower Fields boasting 50 acres of giant ranunculus flowers are blooming again, open for tours through Sunday, May 8. Visitors stroll pathways through fields from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Sweet pea maze, All-American Rose Selection Garden, theme gardens.

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"Ways with Words," exhibit celebrating words and language by featuring unusual dictionaries,

thesauri, word games, other books and ephemera, is on view through Friday, May 20, in donor corridor of San Diego State University's Love Library (5500 Campanile Drive). Free. 619-594-4629. (SDSU)

"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)

FOR KIDS

Wind n' Sea Ospreys swim team tryouts, for those 6 to 18 years old, offered at 3:45 p.m. on Thursday and Friday, April 7 and 8, at Coggan Family Aquatic Complex (800 Nautilus Street). Bring

swimsuit, towel. Free. 858-490-0111. (LA JOLLA)

Explore *Nature's Shadows* when Big Joe Productions perform through Sunday, April 10, at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: *Pinocchio*, performed by comic ventriloquist Lynn Trimble, April 13-17.

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)

The San Diego International Children's Film Festival runs April 8-10 at Museum of Photographic Arts. Festival showcases collection of animated and live-action short films from around the world. Opening-night party on Friday with reception (6 p.m.), selection of films (7 p.m.). Tickets: \$15 general, \$10 for those 17 and

under.

Films for all ages shown 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. on Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on Sunday. Flicks for those seven and older begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, 1:30 p.m. on Sunday; films for kids 11 and older at 3 p.m. on Saturday and 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. LeVar Burton will be on hand on Saturday. Filmmaking workshops on April 9 and 10. Tickets, information: 619-238-7559. (BALBOA PARK)

A Musical Version of *Jack and the Beanstalk*, based on book and music by Chad Henry, is presented through April 10 by San Diego Junior Theatre at Theatre on Third (250 Third Avenue). Curtain rises at 7 p.m. on Friday, 2 and 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday. Tickets: \$7 to \$12. Reservations: 619-239-8355. (CHULA VISTA)

All Aboard! The Chula Vista Live Steam Club provides train rides, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, April 9 and 10, at Rohr

Park (4548 Sweetwater Road). Donation: 50 cents. Children under 48" must be accompanied by an adult. 619-421-5227. (BONITA)

Incredible Improv, family activity day is Saturday, April 9, at Museum of Making Music (5790 Armada Drive). Kids' improv class by Anne Fennell (10 a.m.), song-writing workshop (1 p.m.), jazz piano improvisation (3 p.m.). Free. Reservations: 760-438-5996 x219. (CARLSBAD)

Make a Simple Paper Kite when San Diego Aerospace Museum hosts Family Day workshops, Saturday, April 9, at 12:30, 1:30, and 2:30 p.m. (sessions last 45 minutes). It's "Fly Into the Future" day, with information about airport site selection program, airport authority. Included in paid admission. Reservations: 619-234-8291 x19. (BALBOA PARK)

Young at Art, the San Diego Youth Symphony presents a concert on Saturday, April 9, 7 p.m., at

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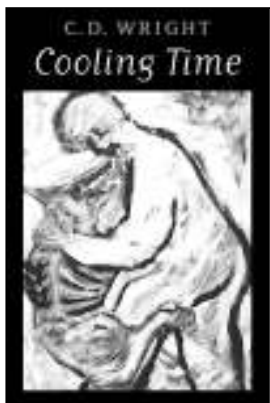
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not gotten wind of 'this here' or 'that there' semiotic theory, regardless of which if any one theory prevails." Wright is author of nine books of poetry and teaches at Brown University. She lives in Providence, Rhode Island, with poet Forrest Gander and their son, Brecht.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:
"What do friends call you?"

"C.D. The C's for 'Carolyn.'" I asked, "If somebody were to say, 'What do you mean by the subtitle to *Cooling Time: An American Poetry Vigil*,' what would you say?"

"I thought it had to do with staying up and being present for what was around, abiding by it, by that sort of old candle of poetry — being present and trying to explore the genre in my own contemporary time."

"It also seemed to me, after I'd finished the book, as if the subtitle urged other poets to a call to arms. Is that accurate?"

"I don't know if I meant for other people to do the same. I wanted everyone to put their shoulder to the task they saw for themselves. Especially in terms of the language."

Ms. Wright spent her first 17 years in Arkansas's Ozarks. Reading Wright's poems, I've more than once faulted myself for my fondness for what I think of as her "Arkansas poems." I

said to her that I saw her as "standing knee deep in her Arkansas experience and language, but as also consciously moving beyond that material." (In "An Autobiographical Preface," Ms. Wright wrote, "Typically young, American and miserable. Then I moved: Vicksburg, Springfield, Memphis, New York, Atlanta — going to colleges and working until 1972 when I returned to attend graduate school at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, where I stayed until 1979.")

Ms. Wright responded. "Recently I was answering a questionnaire about Southern poetry — which I found very irritating, actually — but, you know, you begin wherever you are. I think mobility has been the mark of our lives since World War II. If the writing doesn't reflect that movement or kind of curiosity about what's outside your own drip line, then your creek is going to get wormy. So I think it can very quickly become a very

tired identification and a limitation, and I think most serious writers realize that. I like the South, but I like to sit with my back to it."

As a young woman Ms. Wright read little of fellow Southerner Robert Penn Warren. "In fact," said Ms. Wright, "I still haven't read a lot of Robert Penn Warren. When I was in my 20s, I read his book-length poem, 'Audubon.' That's the only thing that has stuck with me of what I read."

Warren was a member of a group of then-young Southern writers who called themselves "the Agrarians" and "the Fugitives." Included in this group were Donald Davidson, John Crowe Ransom, Allen Tate, John Gould Fletcher, and Stark Young. I wondered what influence, if any, these writers had on Ms. Wright's generation.

"Well, not too much. I invested in studying sort of 'The Letters of Arkansas' on a project I worked on called 'The Lost Roads Project.' I came into con-

tact with some of that then because John Gould Fletcher was for part of the time with that movement. But I've always felt rather negative about the Agrarians as a collective body."

"They were racist, weren't they?"

"Very racist."
"Old South."

"Very. Chauvinist, racist — all of the *isms* — all of the bugaboos of their era. I liked the upstarts more, the ones who broke away."

"Who were the 'upstarts'?"

"Well, Fletcher went to Paris, and by the time he came back, he could no longer be identified with that. He had become something of a middle-brow imagist during that time. When he came back he started the Arkansas Folklore Society, and he wrote a history of Arkansas. So he readopted his native state, but with a more worldly perspective, I think, than he would have had if he had followed the Agrarians' line

and stayed in the fold. There are people who identify — whose work is embedded in a region. I respect that. But there has to be more reason for doing that than its being the definition of who you are and what you have to say — someone like Vance Randolph."

I asked about Randolph, whose name I did not recognize.

"He was a folklorist, and he did volumes of work. He very deliberately mapped out his territory and determined what it would be when he was at Columbia. And that seems different from clinging to a kind of nomenclature that has a lot of bromidic associations and anachronisms and clichés."

"You're daring," I said to Ms. Wright about her work.

"Only on the page. Otherwise, I'm a total chicken."

"That's all you have to be for a reader. The first book of yours I ever owned was *Just Whistle*."

"That's a raunchy book."
"You've traveled many

California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$20 per person, \$65 for "family four-packs." 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

"A,B, Sea: S Is for Seahorse" — class for kids three and four years old (with an adult) offered Sunday, April 10, 9:30 a.m., at Birch Aquarium-Museum (2300 Expedition Way). Tour of "Secrets of the Seahorse" exhibit, craft. \$25. Reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

You're Invited to Froggy's Sleepover when this Jonathan London story is read during pajamarama story time on Monday, April 11, 6 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

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 Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

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 organ-

isms 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.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at 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 modern jets and helicopters currently in use. Static displays of a variety of aircraft are included, along with equipment, insignia, paintings and

photographs, scale models, and a research library. The museum is located in building T-2002, at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar. 858-693-1723. (MIRAMAR)

Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

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

Heritage of the Americas Museum, more than 100 Chinese jades of the Late Neolithic (4300-2500 B.C.) through the Ming periods (A.D. 1368-1644) are included in "The Stone of Heaven: The Enduring Art of Jade Age China." From ancient times, jades in China were treasured as talismans, worn on the body ei-

ther as final adornments in death or as ornaments in life. See a rare and valuable jade burial suit of the Han dynasty (206 B.C. to A.D. 221), one of only about two dozen that have been excavated in China. The suits were made of more than 2000 square and rectangular plates of jade sewn together with threads of gold, silver, or bronze (depending upon the status of the wearer). Ongoing.

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

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

John DeWitt Historic Museum and Library, operated by the Alpine Historical Society, it is located in the 1897 home/office of

Dr. Sophronia Nichols. She was the first doctor in Alpine and the first female doctor in the East County. Indian artifacts from the Kingery family on exhibit. The museum is located at 2116 Tavern Road; 619-659-8740. (ALPINE)

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

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

Museum of History and Art, ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

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roads since the time of *Just Whistle*.
“Well, I’ve moved a lot. I’ve been in Rhode Island now for over 20 years. I lived in California, I lived in Mexico, I lived in New York City, I lived in Atlanta; I lived, as you know, a good many years in Arkansas. Movement changes things because it brings a different field of writers into your view.”
“You always read widely, so had you stayed in Arkansas, I doubt you would have remained insular as to what you read.”
“I’m not sure I would have read. I was exposed to language poetry when I was in Arkansas, in the last year that I was there. But because then in another year I moved to San Francisco, that stuff was very much in the air, and I started picking my way through it. I don’t know that I would have

done that if I had stayed in Arkansas.”
An aspect of Ms. Wright’s poems I like is that she is not reluctant to use words that send the reader to the dictionary.
“That’s the word-love. I like them big and small and dirty and clean.”
Ms. Wright and her husband, also a poet, have one child, a son. I asked how motherhood affected her writing.
“It changed time a lot for me. It made some things seem more urgent, and maybe that urgency got translated into the writing. You certainly can’t live a special life and raise a child. You have to live a regular life. If I hadn’t had a child, I think I would have lived a little more edgily. I think I’d probably be circling the drain about now too.”
“What will you do differently, now that you have a MacArthur?”
“I was able to negotiate for some time from my university and more time than I

would have had on the regular sabbatical track. I have a project and I’m at the beginning of it. I sort of have two projects, but one of them I don’t know that you can say I’ve started. So I don’t talk about it. It can go up in talk, you know. I do talk about it a little bit, but I haven’t talked about it in print. I feel reserved about it, feel protective of it, right now.”
“What’s it like,” I asked, “to live with another poet?”
“That’s been rewarding. It’s an important point of conversation. It’s not incidental to the day job or the night job or anything else. We have a shared library, with duplicates when they’re needed. It’s been good for me. It’s helped me stay the course, and I think it’s helped Forrest too. We’ve challenged each other in an interesting way. It’s been a major thing that we share.”
“Do you show each other your work before you show it to anyone else?”
“I showed him something

I’ve been working on for eons. Something I had worked on so long I was afraid I’d killed it. It was a long poem, 28, 29 pages or so. It had taken a long time. I had him read it yesterday. If he had been reading it all along I don’t think I would have made any progress on it. So it’s usually when we feel like we’ve done our job that we show each other what we’ve written.”
“Do you talk about your work over dinner?”
“Yes. We talk about the work along with talking about whatever it was we ate, you know, foraging in the refrigerator. We don’t talk about it at school, and we don’t talk about it when we’re both reading. It’s wherever there’s a lull. Usually a meal is a good time.”
“The world of American poets,” I said, “seems small. Everybody seems to know everybody, and everybody knows everything about each other.”
“Pretty much, pretty much. It’s a scrappy little world.

I think everybody in Hollywood knows each other; I think everybody in any world that’s not huge, you do know each other. You either know each other’s name or you know each other’s work or you know part of each other’s story. There are points of intersection all over the map. And then you lose sight of the next generation coming up, if there’s not some reason why they come right under your nose. That seems to keep the whole little machine going. And I think poets are more dependent upon community than writers in other genres.”
Most poets, I said, have day jobs, and most of those jobs seem to be in academia.
“True. I could probably name three poets who don’t.”
“James Merrill was one of the last.”
“Well, that’s understandable. If you were a Burroughs or a Merrill, you didn’t have a day job. There are a few poets whose circumstances were such

that they did not have an outside job.”
“Does everybody ask you about Bill Clinton?”
“Yes, people ask me about Clinton. I got a note from him four or five days ago. It was quite nice. I knew Clinton because he came to the law school when I was briefly in law school and when I was still in Fayetteville. My roommate for that time was a criminal-law teacher who worked in his first administration. We had mutual friends, and we had a few occasions in which we’d be at the same house or would be at the same table. But my crowd was an art crowd, and his crowd was a legal crowd. He’s a big reader, Clinton is. A very big reader. Serious reader. Tremendous lucidity there. He went into office very well read. I doubt if he had much time to read once he got in there, except for documents, but he certainly went there with a lot of books at his back.”
— Judith Moore

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)
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 oper-

ating 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 paleontologists hunt for local fossils — what they look for, tools they use, how

fossils are excavated and transported, how they’re prepared and studied. Through 2005. Also on view: “Natural Treasures: Past and Present” (ongoing). Current “giant-screen 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 marine 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.
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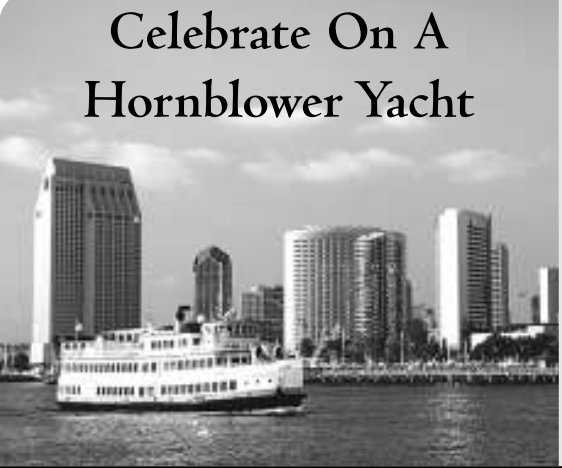
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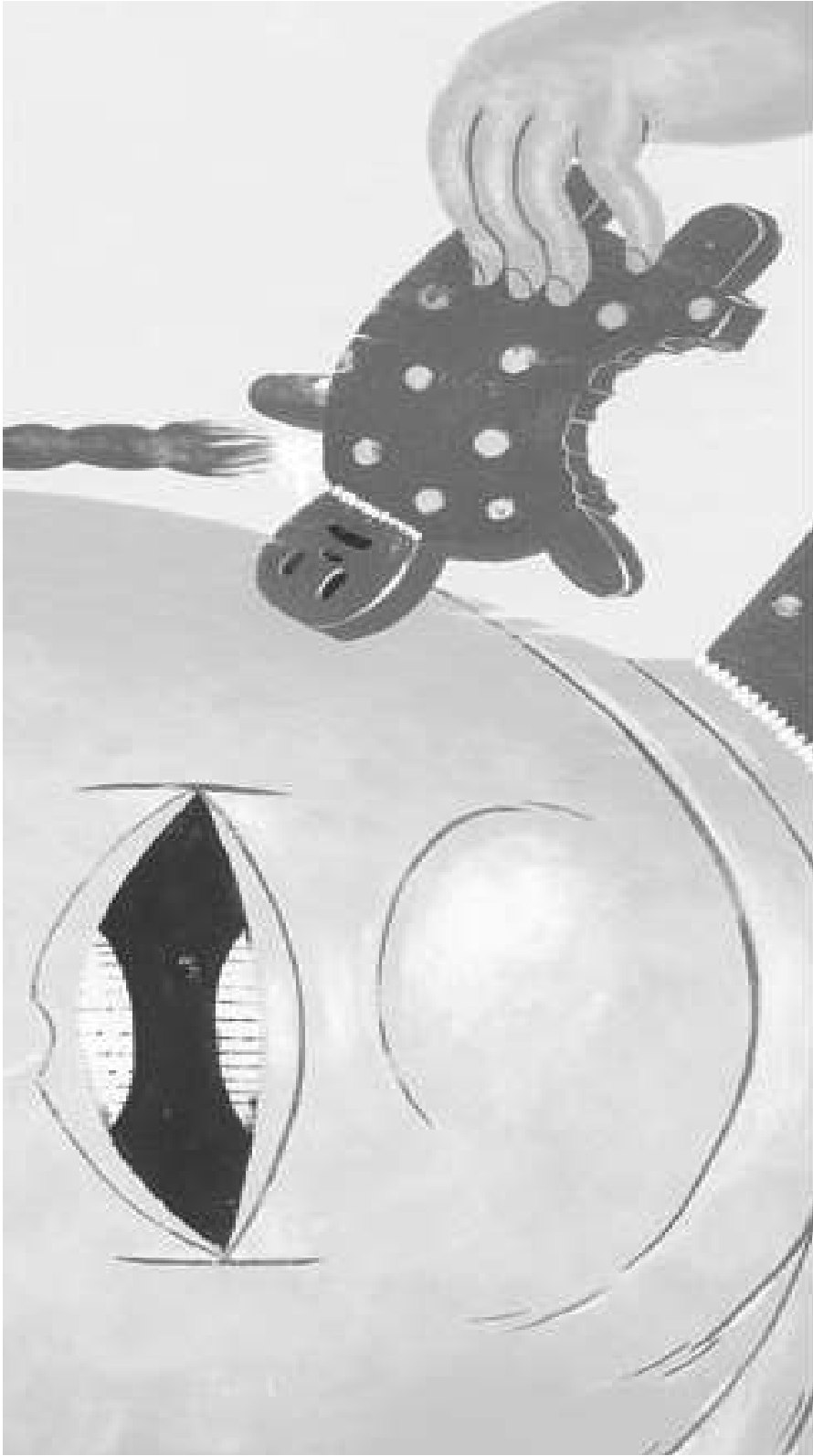
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FAT GIRL

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'My flesh resists loss. My fat holds on for dear life,

By JANE STERN

Judith Moore's book just might be the Stonewall for a slew of oversize people who do not fit the template of what every ostensible expert on

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calorie counting and exercise, Moore remains a fat person. "My flesh resists loss. My fat holds on for dear life, holds on under my bratwurst arms and between my clabber thighs."

"Fat Girl" is not a book about the author trying to get thin. It is the story about a family, a miserable one, that created a hole in Moore's soul that she tried to fill with food. "I will tell the story of my family and the food we ate. We were an unhappy

hated my father. She minced no words. My father was my 'no-good, spoiled, rich-kid father.' I was 'his spitting image.' "

Moore's meals at Grammy's farm were both splendid and lethal: "She fed us bacon and eggs, sausage patties, strawberry jam, butter-soaked hot biscuits, molasses-sopped flapjacks, fried chicken, baked hams, thick pork chops, puffy dumplings, potato pancakes, homemade egg noodles, mashed potatoes, apple and cherry pies and three-layer coconut cakes and huckleberry and peach and boysenberry cobbler, crisp gingerbread cookies, Kadota figs afloat in clotted cream, cows' thick milk and the butter she churned from that milk." Fed like a Strasbourg goose, Moore grew large; and she remembers her grandmother's withering comments about her size. "I grew 'big,' Grammy said, 'as Man Mountain Dean.' " Dean, a popular professional wrestler, was unknown to Moore. "I never knew who Man Mountain Dean was. I assumed that he was a monster who opened his vast gutted mouth so wide that it ached and then ran down mountains, and while he ran he ate every tree, every house, every horse, cow, mother hog and piggies, boar and goat and sheep and bleating lamb that got in his way." In the eyes of her unloving family, Moore was turning into a golem.

Anyone who grew up fat (and please include your reviewer in this group) will find himself in the chapters that follow. In all the books about weight and the effects it has on the psyche and the impossibility of ridding oneself of it, there has never been a book like "Fat Girl" that lays it all out with such take-no-prisoners prose. Much of it is not pretty.

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beauty, health and nutrition tells us we should strive to be. "Fat Girl" is brilliant and angry and unsettling.

Moore is a fat woman who decades ago was a fat girl. This is the story of how throughout her life and to the present day, her weight has made her a large, slow target for other people's prejudices. But Moore is neither a whiner nor a victim. She does not poor-me the reader with weepy confessions or beg for a pat on the head from all the slim, pretty people who have mocked or pitied her.

Moore's welcome to this book acknowledges the pitfalls into which true confessionals all too often fall. As she puts it: "Narrators of first-person clapttrap like this often greet the reader at the door with moist hugs and complaisant kisses. I won't. I will not endear myself. I won't put on airs. I am not that pleasant. The older I get the less pleasant I am."

Like most fat people in America, Moore is a veteran of every diet and exercise plan around. "I know so many diets. The pineapple and watermelon diet I stayed on for 10 days. I did the seven-oranges-per-day diet. I did the rice diet. . . . I did canned diet drinks. . . . I did water-packed tuna and asparagus diets. I do three-day juice fasts." She has put in time dancing around her apartment watching the Richard Simmons videotape "Sweatin' to the Oldies." Despite all the

Jane Stern is the author of "Ambulance Girl" and, with her husband, Michael, of "Roadfood."

family. . . . Everybody was pretty much in it for themselves. We were hard American isolatos. We were solitaires. Unhappy families, though, still have to eat. For my father and for me, who are this story's primary fatsos, food was the source of some of our greatest pleasure and most terrible pain."

The author's father was a fat man whom everyone called Ham (short for Hamilton). Ham was 6 feet 4 and "at his fattest he must have weighed 300 pounds": "My father could have been mistaken for Charles Laughton or Whittaker Chambers or Harold Bloom. He had the same outsized morose face as those guys and he had the heavy stomach that hung, in rolls, from his breasts."

Food figured into the hellish marriage of Moore's parents from the day she was born: "At the moment I entered the world my father was across the street from the delivery room at a delicatessen run by Germans. He was eating Muenster and headcheese and bratwurst and long pale strands of fresh kraut. When he leaned over to kiss my worn-out, weary mother, she tasted garlic and sour pickle and cabbage on his lips. She would never forget this, never forgive it."

Ham was eventually tossed out of the house by his wife when Moore was nearly 4. Without her father's sturdy presence, Moore was shuttled back and forth between her maternal grandmother, who lived on a farm in Arkansas, and her mother's apartment in Brooklyn. About the time spent with her grandmother there are no comfy memories: "She

We learn how it feels to wear clothes that don't fit, sweat too much, smell bad, become winded walking up stairs and be unable to do the simple things of childhood, like a somersault. There are so many things that thin children take for granted, such as being lifted up effortlessly on the shoulders of their fathers.

And as Moore grew up, things got even more dire. One man bluntly told her she was too fat to go to bed with. In college a man who Moore thought was sensitive and kind conned her into performing oral sex on him while his friends watched and laughed. A day at the pool turned ugly when a mean boy loudly said, "Old Fatso is going to break the diving board."

"Fat Girl" is not a litany of complaints. Moore carves out a rather good life for herself. She married (twice), had children and became a writer who was awarded a Guggenheim fellowship. For those of us who have lived this same life to one degree or another, this book should be a rallying cry. We are mad as hell and we are not going to take it anymore. But take it, unfortunately, we do, and we will continue to, as the "obesity epidemic" receives endless press and fat haters coast under the radar as do-gooders.

One last thing I must say about this book. For a writer of Moore's talent, "Fat Girl" has been published to appear second-rate. Its sloppy editing and uninteresting jacket design look like something you would pawn off on a fat girl, no matter what her age. Moore and her audience deserve better. □



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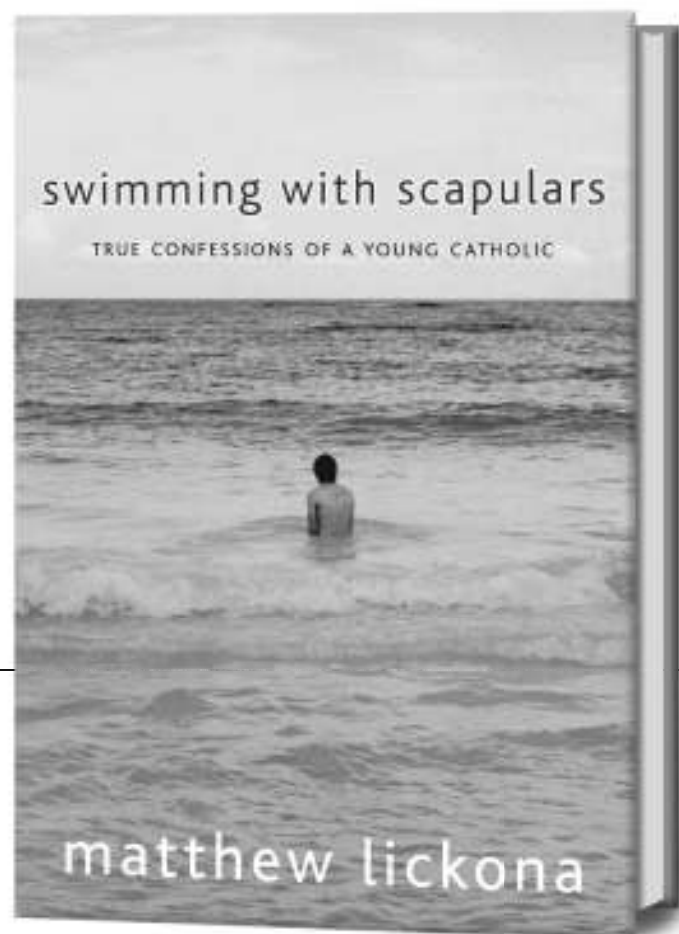
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"A Tribute to Leonard Bernstein" promised when San Diego Master Chorale, San Diego Children's Choir, and soloists join San Diego Chamber Orchestra in concert on April 7. Program includes overture to *Candide*, "Symphonic Suite" from *On the Waterfront*, selections from *West Side Story*.

Enjoy concert on Thursday, April 7, 7:30 p.m., at Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Tickets: \$15-\$65. Reservations: 858-350-0290 x7. (MIDDLETOWN)

Explore Culture of Fin-de-Siècle Paris when pianist Jesus Ramon Araiza performs works by Rameau, Liszt, and others on Thursday, April 7, 7 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Tickets: \$20, include same-day museum admission. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

"Virtuoso Baroque: Handel and Veracini" performed by Holloway/Ter Linden/Mortensen/Ryden for San Diego Early Music Society on Friday, April 8, 8 p.m., at St. James by-the-Sea (743 Prospect Street). \$18. Reservations: 619-291-8246. (LA JOLLA)

Chinese Pianist Yundi Li performs works by Chopin, Mozart, Liszt, and "Carnaval" by Schumann for Revelle Series concert hosted by La Jolla Music Society on Friday, April 8, 8 p.m., in Sherwood Auditorium, Museum of Contemporary Art, San Diego, (700 Prospect Street). Tickets: \$25,

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Classical Pianist Elizabeth Schumann presents pieces by Beethoven, Chopin, Corigliano, Albéniz in concert on Friday, April 8, 7:30 p.m., in MiraCosta College Theatre (One Barnard Drive). \$10. 760-795-6815. (OCEANSIDE)

"The Broadway Concert: A Romantic Journey" presented by San Diego Symphony for Winter Pops concerts on Friday and Saturday, April 8 and 9. Program includes selections from *West Side Story*, *Guys and Dolls*, *Funny Girl*, *Chicago*, others. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$20-\$60. Reservations: 619-235-0804. (DOWNTOWN)

Music for Multiple Keyboards — by J.S. Bach, Soler, Fauré, Halley, Warlock — promised when pianist Barbara Scheidker and organist Ken Herman perform on Saturday, April 9, 7:30 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). 619-298-4580. \$10. (HILLCREST)

Young at Art, the San Diego Youth Symphony presents a concert on Saturday, April 9, 7 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Tickets: \$20 per person, \$65 for "family four-packs." 800-988-4253. (ESCONDIDO)

"Celebration" promised when Camarada presents ten-year-anniversary concert on Sunday, April 10, 6 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). \$25. 619-231-3702. (LA JOLLA)

Works by Donizetti, Uhl, Barber, Mozart, Brahms, and Debussy promised when California Quartet presents concert for San Diego Public Library series on Sunday, April 10, 2:30 p.m. Find library at 820 E Street; 619-236-5810. Donation. (DOWNTOWN)

Soprano Kathleen Halm joins civic organist Carol Williams in concert at Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Sunday, April 10, 2 p.m. Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

La Jolla Civic Symphony and student winners perform for mini-concert at noon on Monday, April 11, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

The Moscow Male Jewish Choir — a.k.a. Hasidic Cappella — perform for San Diego Jewish Music Festival on Monday, April 11, 7:30 p.m., at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Ex-

ecutive Drive). \$19 general. 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

"2005 Muzik3 Commissioning Project," series founded by cellist Felix Fan focuses on commissioned music this year, with concerts on April 12 and 13, 7:30 p.m., at the Other House (7813 Esterel Drive). On Tuesday, a trio with Fan, Andrew Russo (piano), and David Cossin (percussion) performs Annie Gosfield's "Wild Pitch," premieres of Marc Mellits's "Tight Sweater" and Phil Kline's "Fear and Loathing." All three composers will be on hand to discuss the new works.

Program on Wednesday includes premiere of Annie Gosfield's "Untitled Duo" performed by Fan and Cossin; "Disciples of Gouda" by Mellits, performed by Fan, Russo, Cossin, Steve Schick; and Philippe Manoury's "Pluton," performed by Russo and Miller Puckette.

Tickets for single concert: \$20 general, \$10 for students. For both, pay \$30 general, \$15 for students. 858-405-0413. (LA JOLLA)

Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata," preludes by Chopin and Gershwin on program when concert pianist Barry Salwen presents concert on Wednesday, April 13, 7 p.m., at Earl and Birdie Taylor Library (Pacific Beach Library, 4275 Cass Street). Donations accepted. 858-581-9934. (PACIFIC BEACH)

Much Provocative Modern Music has been composed for percussion by Reich, Xenakis, Roger Reynolds. UCSD student percussionist Mathias Reumert performs percussion music written by these and other composers on Wednesday, April 13, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Operatic Arias performed by soprano Pia Soriana and pianist John Danke every Thursday through April 28, 6 to 8 p.m., at Café Westgate, in Westgate Hotel (1055 Second Avenue). No cover. 619-557-3655. (DOWNTOWN)

UCSD Violinist János Négyesi in concert, Thursday, April 14, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. \$8 general. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

Faculty Recital planned for Concert Hour series on Thursday, April 14, 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)

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Explore the "Color Space Dimension" in art by Thia Nevius, Gail Rogers, and Kathryn Law on exhibit through Friday, April 29, at Art Institute of California-San Diego (7650 Mission Valley Road). Meet artists during reception: Friday, April 8, 5 p.m. 858-598-1200. (MISSION VALLEY)

"La Dolce Vita," an exhibit of original photos by Pierluigi Praturion from set of Federico Fellini's film, opens with reception on Friday, April 8, 6 p.m., at Galerie d'Art International (320 South Cedros Avenue, suite 500). Fellini films, documentaries, lectures offered in conjunction with exhibit. 858-793-0316. Through April. (SOLANA BEACH)

"Pain-Free Kittens" — this new installation and video work by New York artist Ryan McGinness opens with reception on Saturday,

April 9, 5 p.m., at Quint Contemporary Art (7739 Drury Lane, between Kline and Silverado). Exhibit includes site-specific mural installation, five paintings on canvas, two works on paper, and *North Star* video. Closes Saturday, May 14. 858-454-3409. (LA JOLLA)

Children's Art created by artists 4-18 under tutelage of Olya Losina gathered for viewing through Saturday, April 23, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). Exhibit in rotunda opens with reception on Saturday, April 9, 4:30 p.m. 858-454-5872. (LA JOLLA)

"Chicano Park — 35 Años de Victoria, 1970-2005" opens with reception on Saturday, April 9, 4 to 8 p.m., at Expressions of Mexico Gallery (1122 César Chávez Parkway). Display of Chicano Park posters continues through April. 619-232-1793 or 619-232-1699. (BARRIO LOGAN)

"Device," Todd Partridge's MFA thesis exhibition, opens with reception on Saturday, April 9, 6 p.m., in Everett Gee Jackson at San Diego State University (in lobby of fifth floor of art department building). Closes Thursday, April 14. Free. 619-594-6511. (SDSU)

"Palmed-Off Art," an exhibit of masks and sculptures by Dottie Korn-Davis, opens with reception on Saturday, April 9, 6:30 p.m., at Expressive Arts Institute of San Diego (3817 Ray Street). 619-239-1713. (NORTH PARK)

Artists Paul Weber (sculpture), Cynthia Colis (painting), and Julie Firth Schaeffer (photography) have work on display through May

at Shiva Artistic Collections (115-a West Grand Avenue). Reception for artists: Saturday, April 9, 5 p.m. Artwork by over 30 local artisans is also on exhibit. 760-745-7835. (ESCONDIDO)

New Acrylic Landscapes by Greg Navratil go on exhibit with opening reception on Saturday, April 9, 6 p.m., at Sumner & Dene Creations in Art (2807 University Avenue). Through April. 619-688-5969. (NORTH PARK)

ART MUSEUMS

California Center for the Arts Museum, "Making It: 10 Years of Artist Commissions at California Center for the Arts, Escondido" continues through Monday, July 4. The exhibit "examines the intimate collection of artworks produced through artist residencies held between 1995 and 2005" at the museum, with work by Stephen Curry, Roman de Salvo, Jay Johnson, Peter Walker, Eloy Tarcisio, Esther Mera.

"Mixtec Medicine," opening on Saturday, April 9, "celebrates the antiquity, intelligence, and beauty of Mixtec culture and medicine." Exhibit uses photographs from fieldwork and images from ancient Mixtec books called codices. Closes Monday, July 4.

The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard; 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

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 Collec-

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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" 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.

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The San Diego Rep's *King Lear* is all haywire extremes. The production's so compulsively comic, so eager to entertain, you'd swear it's a parody. It opened March 25 and might be in better shape by now. The problems were systemic, however. They preclude optimism.

REVIEW

JEFF SMITH

While many in the cast favor theatricalized acting, Jonathan McMurtry gives spare, internal readings as Gloucester, the betrayed father who stumbles when he sees. A frail bundle in tattered browns, McMurtry reveals a blasted heart.

The Earl of Kent is Lear's ally. When exiled, Kent becomes an anti-Fool. Rather than quip and criticize, he acts, with profound loyalty (one of the most amazing things about *Lear*: amid the chaos of slipping standards, the play has more unconditional bonds than any other in Shakespeare).

Peter Van Norden, an Old Globe vet, makes Kent a humble force. His anger can be dead serious and funny at the same time. In the only believable fight scene (the others are choreographed safety-first and by the numbers), Kent snaps fierce thrusts at Oswald, who parries with a saddle.

Shakespearean A.C. Bradley called Goneril "the most hideous human being (if she is one) that Shakespeare ever drew." Rather than one-note her as Evil Incarnate, Linda Libby swaggers. Goneril's at the helm now, gaining control. People assume that Lear was once wonderful. Libby's brazen, scheming Goneril is either a portrait of her father

as a young man or how the daughter of a closet misogynist perceived him in her youth.

Armin Shimerman's sharp, precise Fool makes you wish Lear's sidekick had a larger part (or that Shimerman essayed the role of the King). Gloucester's illegitimate son Edmund verges on a hat trick: he wins the love of Regan and Goneril and almost nabs the whole of Britain. In Edmund's asides, Hasan El-Amin almost wins the audience as well. His rapport creates a split between seductive deliveries and the mayhem they describe.

Giulio Cesare Perrone's set locates massive, late-Bronze Age walls (Lear supposedly lived in the Eighth Century BCE) in the Painted Desert. Tall, sliding panels reveal barren and sculpted terrain. Perrone's design is terrific. His part-ancient, part-modern, mostly goofy costumes, however, sabotage the stage.

Edgar wears bell-bottoms and unbuttoned shirt, as if he's "a woman's man, no time to talk," headed for a '70s disco. Regan's in a sleek, low-cut, pointy outfit: from the *Star Trek* collection? Others range from jogging to Armani suits. And Lear, though he often refers to his white hair, is wrapped in a blue teepee and sports gray, Medusa-droop dreadlocks, which he keeps throwing back behind his ears, like a Charlie's Angel. Costumes should define character. Perrone's just call attention to themselves. Worse, every time a new one appears, the audience must readjust to the play, after uttering a hearty "what?"

Stephanie Robinson wrote excellent back-



Sam Woodhouse, Marielle Heller in *King Lear*

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Harold Bloom writes, "For those who believe that divine justice prevails in this world, *King Lear* ought to be offensive."

Todd Salovey's direction's as Degree-less as the play. He inverts the usual theatrical order by beginning with a curtain call. Actors file on, wave to the audience. Having a smiling cast fanned across the stage not only detracts from the import of the first scene, it sets an odd tone for what follows, which may be the world's cutest *King Lear*.

Salovey would rather get a laugh, or have a cutesy moment, than do the play. After a while this urge to please becomes endemic, as if the production's determined to shield the audience from tragedy.

Chaos infects the acting. Performers are on their own, in survival mode, protecting themselves and helping out where they can. On opening night the cast shuffled in nervous circles on the raked stage, either unsure of the blocking or not trusting it.

And while we're on the sub-

ject, why block Lear way back upstage, in the raging storm scene, and not down front? Instead of conjuring the apocalypse, the King competes with a jazzy light show and raucous thunder and finishes a distant third.

Amid artistic havoc, there's good work — including Matthew Henerson's late-blooming Albany and J. Todd Adams's Edgar, after he dumps the John Travolta look and speaks in a convincing "West Country" dialect. But the performances are unconnected, and not on solid ground. The comic fight between Kent and Oswald's one of the few instances where genuine engagement occurs.

Playing King Lear's like trying to swallow a whale. In theatrical terms, he's an actor who lost his defining role. But instead of drowning his sorrows at a noisy pub, the whole world must suffer. Also, if Lear himself ever acted in a play, at first he'd be stagey (a direction in the script has him laying "his hand on his heart"). But what he must learn, at unthinkable cost, is that true acting is being, "unaccommodated" by trappings or tricks.

Sam Woodhouse, who plays Lear, has been an institution in San Diego theater for three

decades. I wish I could say he's nailed the role. But he hasn't. He's trying in earnest, often indicating size and depth with gestures and movements. He also recites speeches, playing for clarity rather than character. This is an accommodated performance.

Woodhouse has touching moments. Make no mistake. When Cordelia dies, he whispers Lear's five famous "nevers" unforgettably. But overall Woodhouse does far more acting than being. Too often what we see are choices based on previous performances — Gielgud played a moment this way, Olivier, that; I'll do this — and not the crumbling mountain that must live them, cursed to endure. ■

THEATER LISTINGS

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Antigone

6th@Penn Theatre stages Marianne McDonald's new translation of Sophocles' tragedy about civil versus "higher" laws. Delicia Turner Sonnenberg directed. 6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, FRIDAY APRIL 8, THROUGH MAY 8; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-688-9210.

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. 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. POORPLAYERSRESERVE@HOTMAIL.COM.

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The Bungler

North Coast Repertory Theatre presents, in a new translation, Molière's farce that proves "servants are always smarter than their masters." NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, LOMAS SANTA FE PLAZA, SOLANA BEACH, SATURDAY, APRIL 16, THROUGH MAY 15; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

Crazy Love

Carlsbad Village Theatre has extended the run of this "comedy about men and women and why they drive each other crazy." CARLSBAD VILLAGE THEATRE, 2822 STATE STREET, CARLSBAD, THROUGH APRIL 9; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT

8:00 P.M. 760-458-7036.

The Drunkard's Revenge

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The Grapes of Wrath

Undergraduates in USD's Theater Arts Program perform Frank Galati's spare, faithful adaptation of the Steinbeck novel about the Joads' quest for a new life. SHILEY THEATRE, CAMINO HALL, UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO, 5998 ALCALA PARK, LINDA VISTA, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, THROUGH APRIL 17; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-260-7934.

Hair

The Muir College Musical Ensemble presents Rado and Ragni's rock opera about the dawning of the age of Aquarius. MANDEVILLE AUDITORIUM, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO, THURSDAY, APRIL 7, THROUGH SATURDAY, APRIL 9 AT 8:00 P.M. 858-534-3120.

The Heavenly Deposition

Community Actor's Theatre presents Werner Hashagen's new comedy. Mrs. Jones's prayer for justice gets an unexpected answer. Bryan Hernandez directed. COMMUNITY ACTORS THEATRE, 2957 54TH STREET (AT COLLEGE GROVE), OAK PARK, THROUGH APRIL 24; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. 619-264-3391.

Himself and Nora

Late in her more than 50 years of life with James Joyce, Nora Barnacle wrote, "You can't imagine what it was like for me to be thrown into the life of this man." Nor, apparently, can the world-premiere musical at the Old Globe. Superficial, in desperate need of a through-line, *Himself and Nora* takes such a bird's-eye view of their complex relationship it plays like *He Said/She Said* with Irish accents. Matt Bogart (Joyce) and Kate Shindle (Nora) are obviously major talents, but neither has much to work from. Joyce is one-note adamant; Nora's mostly an irritated being with a Teflon psyche. *Himself* sweeps unsightly details behind the bookcase

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and favors generic Broadway appeal. Jonathan Brielle's songs are lively, but the lyrics are, at best, pseudo-Joycean: just trickles, not streams of consciousness. And too often the show unfolds as if the songs came first, then scenes got written around them (how else to explain "What Better Thing," a lovey-dovey ditty that belongs on the cutting-room floor?). Tobin Ost's costumes never reflect the Joyces' marrow-chilling poverty, but his set recalls the famous Martello Tower Joyce rented for eight pounds a year. The set has an outside-inside feel, as it also serves as façades of city streets. For *Himself* to grow into something, it would have to drop all chipper façades and turn itself inside-out. OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH APRIL 24; SUNDAY, TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

Irish Step Dancing
Dublin Square Irish Pub and Grille presents "San Diego's answer to the Celtic wave," an evening of contemporary and traditional Irish dancing, music, and song. DUBLIN SQUARE IRISH PUB AND GRILLE, 554 FOURTH AVENUE, DOWNTOWN, OPEN-ENDED RUN; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 9:30 P.M. 619-239-5818.

Killer Reunion
Mystery Cafe's newest interactive comedy takes place at a high school reunion — which doesn't go according to plan. IMPERIAL HOUSE RESTAURANT, 505 KALMIA STREET, BANKER'S HILL, OPEN-ENDED RUN; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 619-544-1600.

King Lear
Reviewed this issue. SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, LYCEUM THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH APRIL 17; SUNDAY AND TUESDAY AT 7:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

Lord Derby's Giant Eland
Random Access Productions, in association with Teatro ALTO, presents the world premiere of Patricia Loughrey's drama about a young woman, running from her past, who seeks refuge "in a house where memory becomes both friend and foe." EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE, SAN DIEGO

STATE UNIVERSITY, THURSDAY, APRIL 7, THROUGH APRIL 10; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-823-5868.

The Male Intellect: An Oxymoron?
Julie dumped Bobby two weeks ago. Just split. His fiancée. Now he's so conflicted, so "out of balance," he can't even remember why. So Bobby decides to "find out what women want." He drinks Coronas and tries to discover, as well, his right-brain, "feminine" side. He's a dysfunctional mess,

but to his credit, and thanks to Julie, he at least recognizes it (though he shouldn't blame the Y chromosome; that's an old-hat dodge). *Male Intellect* never dips beneath pop psychology stereotypes about gender but is a consistently funny 90-minute take on today's dating scene. Like Scrooge, Bobby is haunted by visitors: five male chauvinists ranging from a 123-year-old geezer still searching for the perfect woman to the Colonel, who deals with women by the book...his book. Ford Austin plays Bobby and the MCPs with an engaging audience rapport and an

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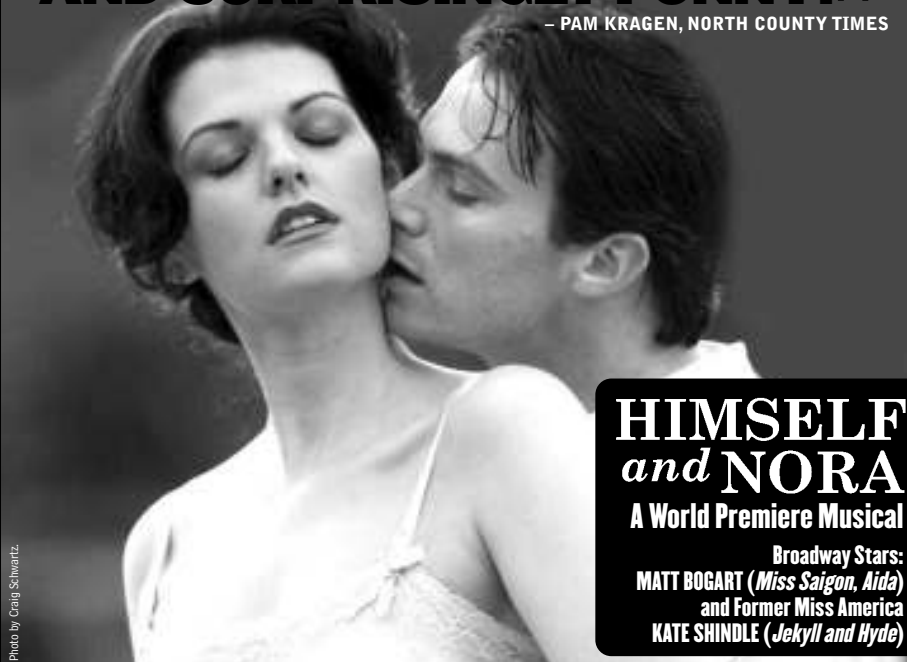
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ability to disappear into another character. Robert Dubac wrote *Male Intellect*, which, like *Forever Plaid* and *Late-Nite Catechism*, has become an international touring show (you can't help but hear the author, behind the jokes, patting himself on the back for being so sensitive). When asked which of the characters he identified with most, Dubac replied: "Separately they are individuals,

but put together all one guy. Women who see the play say, 'I've been out with every one of those guys!' "

Worth a try.

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A Naked Girl on the Appian Way

South Coast Repertory Theatre stages the world premiere of Richard Greenberg's comedy about Bess, a cooking

show host, her husband ("a genius who lacks some essential life tools"), and their adult children. Mark Rucker directed. SEGERSTRON STAGE, SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH MAY 8; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 714-708-5555.

Nunsense

The Welk Resort Theatre stages the popular musical about the Sisters of Hoboken and their need to raise funds fast. Ray Limon directed. WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH JUNE 5; TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448.

The Odd Couple, Female Version

OnStage Playhouse presents Neil Simon's remake of his popular comedy about star-crossed roommates, this time with women as the leads. Jeff Gastauer directed. ONSTAGE PLAYHOUSE, 291 THIRD AVENUE, CHULA VISTA, THROUGH APRIL ERROR9; THURSDAY THROUGH

SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-422-7787.

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It takes some doing to put the faces in the program with the performers in Cygnet Theatre's show. The faces are male; the performers, contestants for the crown of Miss Glaboresse, are female — or, more accurately, men in beauty contest drag: gowns, swimsuits, statewide smiles. Plus, the performers are also in a contest. Audience members pick the winner each evening. Sean Murray directed *Pageant* for the North Coast Rep, and it was a big hit. His current version of the "musical comedy beauty contest," co-directed by James Vasquez, is sharper and funnier. Highlights include David McBean dressed as Scarlett O'Hara. S/he sings "Camptown Races" with two puppets, ventriloquizing their voices brilliantly. Also, as the ditz Miss West Coast, Vasquez parodies a Martha Graham-like expressive dance called "the Seven Ages of Me." The set, gold and tinsel curtains that have seen more sparkling days, could have been imported from an old Glitter Gulch lounge. So could Steve Gouveia's Master of Ceremonies, Frankie Cavalier. He looks like Bert Parks, smooth talks like a

Hallmark card, and is so sincere he's downright *eerie*. He's also a riot. So's the show. And I mean it.... (Due to popular demand, Cygnet has extended the run of *Pageant*.)

Worth a try.

CYGNET THEATRE, 6663 EL CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, THROUGH MAY 22; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-337-1525.

Pinocchio

The Balboa Park Puppet Guild presents the classic tale of a lonesome old woodcarver who wishes his carved puppet would become real. MARIE HITCHCOCK PUPPET THEATER, PALISADES AREA NEAR AEROSPACE CENTER, BALBOA PARK, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, THROUGH APRIL 17; WEDNESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT 10:00 A.M. AND 11:30 A.M. SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 11:00 A.M., 1:00 P.M., AND 2:30 P.M. 619-544-9203.

Play It Again, Sam

The Julian Theatre Company (formerly the Pine Hills Players) stages Woody Allen's comedy about Allan Felix. To win the dating game, he seeks advice from the spirit of Humphrey Bogart.

JULIAN TOWN HALL, 2129 MAIN STREET, JULIAN, FRIDAY, APRIL 8, THROUGH JUNE 18; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. 760-765-2119.

Raisin' the Rent

Ernestine Anderson's nightclub owes three months' back rent. She's got till midnight to produce the cash. So she, Ella Fitzgerald, Lena Horne, Etta James, Nancy Wilson, and Billie Holiday hold a "rent party." *Raisin' the Rent* is the third of Calvin Manson and the Ira Aldridge Players' tributes to the great African-American female vocalists. A balky sound system and a tight band (led by hot keyboardist Michael Sanders) that needs some reigning in prevent the dinner-theater show from always raising the roof. But it often does, especially in Act Two, when Ayanna Hobson's feisty Ella sings "If I Can't Sell It, I'll Keep Sitting on It" (does she mean her easy chair?), and Arnessa Rickett's brash Etta lets her hair down, literally, with "Let the Good Times Roll." Wearing a red sequined cocktail dress (uncredited costumes a major plus), Charmen Jackson's smooth, stylish Ernestine masters every number and goes cobalt with "Ain't No Good Life" blues. And any show that lets Anasa Johnson play Billie Holiday (she was unforgettable in Manson's *Evening with Billie*) is guaranteed spunk and class, not to mention prompting patrons to fill Ernestine's large, rent-raising brandy snifter with greenbacks.

Worth a try.

DINNER THEATRE AT CAESAR CAFE, 801 C STREET, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH MAY 23; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DINNER AT 7:00 ERRORP.M., CURTAIN AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY, DINNER AT 2:00 ERRORP.M., CURTAIN AT 3:00 P.M. 619-283-4574.

Reverse Psychology

An example of how hard it can be to do comedy, especially to imitate the Theatre of the Ridiculous style espoused by the extravagant farceur, Charles Ludlam. His work — some of the classics of camp — defines the opposite of subtlety. But it also demands deft, fluid precision and pinpoint attack. The Diversionary/Vantage Theatre co-production of Ludlam's four-hander doesn't come close. The piece, about two psychiatrists (married) and their patients (also married), and the quartet's internal affairs, requires miles-over-the-top insanity. Instead the Diversionary performers just blare their lines, kill jokes they don't know are jokes, and, in Act Two, become shrill. They stress every line so much, you'd think they were playing in a barn, or the Sports Arena, rather than the intimate space on Park Boulevard.

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DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, THROUGH APRIL 16; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-220-0097.

A Skull on Connemara
6th@Penn Theatre presents Martin McDonagh’s “biting Irish” comedy mystery about, among other things, a graveyard with too many graves. Forrest Ayllsworth directed. 6TH@PENN THEATRE, 3704 SIXTH AVENUE, HILLCREST, SUNDAY, APRIL 10, THROUGH JUNE 1; SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH WEDNESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 619-688-9210.

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Ten Little Indians
Coronado Playhouse presents Agatha Christie’s whodunit about ten people invited to an island off the southern coast of England. Bob Christiansen directed. CORONADO PLAYHOUSE, 1335 FIRST STREET, CORONADO, THROUGH MAY 8; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-435-4856.

The Underpants
Laguna Playhouse stages Steve Martin’s adaptation of Carl Sternheim’s 1910 farce about an incident that may make Louise a laughingstock, or object of desire. Andrew Barnicle directed. LAGUNA PLAYHOUSE, 606 LAGUNA CANYON ROAD, LAGUNA BEACH, THROUGH MAY 1; TUESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 949-497-2787.

Vincent in Brixton
The Old Globe Theatre presents Nicholas Wright’s Olivier Award-winning drama about Vincent van Gogh’s

early life (and “sexual awakening”) in London. Richard Seer directed. CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THURSDAY, APRIL 7, THROUGH MAY 8; TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

The Waverly Gallery
“Mere human yearning to live a little longer (and perhaps a little better),” writes John Robin Baitz, “can be a more powerful passion than lust or even vengeance.” Once a vital lawyer and activist, Gladys Green is now 85. She’s a hard-of-hearing, compulsive talker who is slowly slowing down. Soon, she requires the enervating 24/7 attention of an infant. But her daughter and family, who mean her no harm, aren’t ready for the new burden (people say they “aren’t facing the true degree of her decline”). Kenneth Lonergan’s Pulitzer Prize-nominated drama looks at the end of a life, a denial-rich subject the audience, like Gladys’s daughter Ellen, would prefer to “talk about later.” To reflect family pressures, and Gladys’s inability to hear, Lonergan writes “simultaneous dialogue”: two, sometimes three, people speak at once. It could make for Babels of gibberish. Instead, the New Village Arts, director Kristianne Kurner, and a fine ensemble weave it into memorable theater. San-

dra Ellis-Troy shines as Gladys, who seems afraid that, if she stops talking, she’ll cease altogether. Bring Kleenex: Ellis-Troy earns honest tears. As harried, concerned, evasive Ellen, Dana Case is foremost among equals in supporting roles. Ellen watches her mother “fall apart, with no end in sight.” Separate playing spaces, on platforms, create a gallery effect, as do empty painting frames (and a crossthatatching of them above). Joshua Everett Johnson’s sound design ages like Gladys, evolving from plunk and sparkle to graceful, elegaic cellos.

Critic’s pick.
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"He is spending between \$200,000 and \$250,000 on talent alone," said one insider about first-time

"They changed their lineup to go for a younger audience," said Wepsic about Street Scene's abandonment of blues, jazz, and zydeco. "They left a vacuum."

Last week Wepsic said he had only sold about 1000 tickets. "He is going to have to sell 5000 tickets each day to break even," said the

underwriter.

I asked Wepsic if there is any truth to the rumor that Ben Harper may make an unadvertised appearance Saturday at the festival. "It wouldn't surprise me if he showed up. He did just win a Grammy with the Blind Boys. Anything is possible."



WEPSIC FILLS THE VACUUM LEFT BY STREET SCENE

Besides the above performers, Festival Del Mar presents the Yonder Mountain String Band, the Charlie Musselwhite Band, Zigaboo Modeliste, Lito and Celino Romero, Peter

Sprague, Chris Klich, World Anthem, A.J. Loria, and Randy Fontaine on Saturday April 16; Jason Mraz, Third World, Donavon Frankenreiter, Blackalicious, Karl Denson's Tiny Universe, Desmond Dekker and the Aces, Mikey Dread, Dave Wakeling, Common Sense, Willie K, John Keawe, Walli Ingram, and King Tone, April 17. All ages; \$30 one day, \$50 both days. Visit www.festivaldelmar.com for more info.

— Ken Leighton

"The San Diego Symphony told us Embarcadero North would not be available this summer.

That, plus a lack of sponsorship caused us to cancel this year," said Michael Kinsman, a business writer for the *Union-Tribune* and the San Diego Blues Festival originator. This would have been its seventh year.

"My first year was a train wreck.... The second year, it was half a train wreck." Kinsman held his festivals at Embarcadero South for the first six years. He said he was told by the Port District that he could no longer use

Embarcadero South, which, starting last year, would be used exclusively by the San Diego Symphony. This year he was told by the Port District that Embarcadero North would not be available either, due to concerns that his blues music would bleed over to the Symphony site.

— Ken Leighton

"They were rehearsing at the Fox Studios near Rosarito Beach for two weeks," said an insider, with close access to U2, about the Irish band's activity before they kicked off their U.S. tour last Monday at the Sports Arena. "After their show Monday, they went back to practice for nine hours on Tuesday at the Sports Arena." U2 had a second, sold-out Sports Arena show Wednesday, March 30.

"After their show Monday

night, a big silver pickup truck started following their limo back to the hotel. The limo driver had to call



U2 RELIES ON CROWD TO PROVIDE ROUSING CHORUS

another car to block the truck so he would stop chasing the limo. The cops are looking for the guy because he was endangering lives, going 80 miles an hour on the freeway and 60 on the side streets of La Jolla near UCSD."

San Diego Police Department spokesman Dave Cohen said there was no record of police activity.

— Ken Leighton

A Canadian website's review of U2's March 28 show says, "They are, with little dispute, one of rock's greatest live bands. So why did U2 choose the creaky,

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promoter Chris Wepsic's Festival Del Mar, April 16 and 17, at the fairgrounds in Del Mar. Twenty-six bands will perform on four stages, including Etta James, Macy Gray, Taj Mahal, and the Blind Boys of Alabama.

Wepsic, a 38-year-old dentist who "lives in an old house in Del Mar... [and drives] a VW bus," says the two-day festival is dedicated to the over-30 crowd who, Wepsic maintains, has been abandoned by Rob Hagey's Street Scene.

insider.

Wepsic said he is not worried about his advance sales. "My friends in the music business say this is normal [for advance sales]. We are doing fine."

One reason Wepsic may not be worried is because San Marcos developer San Elijo Hills has signed on as a \$100,000 sponsor/underwriter, according to the insider. Wepsic would not get specific about exact dollar amounts but confirmed San Elijo Hills was the



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hot, 40-year-old San Diego Sports Arena to open their hugely anticipated world tour? One possible reason came to mind early on and was only cemented during the rest of Monday's two-hour, 22-song show: Maybe Bono

wanted a decidedly less-than-state-of-the-art sound system on opening night... The front man struggled. Song after song — new and classic — he seemed to be holding back....During the usually riveting 'Sunday Bloody Sunday...' Bono looked almost disinterested, letting the crowd do the work on the rousing chorus." (www.obviousnews.com)

A reviewer for *Interference.com* writes, "Certainly the [U2] tour opener at the San Diego Sports Arena blew me away, but there definitely were certain aspects of the show that seemed familiar. Was this tour already shaping up to be U2's swan song? The stage...was small, much smaller than what I remembered from the Elevation Tour...the lighting effects were taken from the Pop Mart and Zoo TV stages.... Was U2 trying to put a bow on its impressive career and call it a day?"

— Jay Allen Sanford



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UNWRITTEN LAW DOESN'T HALT FAN'S PORN VIDEO

30-minute special on the band, including a live performance and interviews.

— Jay Allen Sanford

"This video is a porn cartoon,"

e-mails Jack Sparrow, a fan of Unwritten Law but not of the alternate version of the band's song "Save Me." The animated video appears on Unwritten Law's unofficial website unwrittenlaw.net.

An assistant for Unwritten Law's Los Angeles-based manager Les Borsai said the alternate website is operated by a dedicated fan named Dean Cross. "This is a fan website. This is not run by the band," said the assistant, who did want to be named.

But if the band and its management protested, wouldn't Cross have to give up the domain name?

"Yes, but this is operated by hard-core fans of the band who are doing a good job.... They're very dedicated to the band."

Unwritten Law's new album *Here's to the Mourning* debuted at #51 on *Billboard's* Top 200, the band's highest debut to date. It has sold around 75,000 copies. Their current single "Save Me," co-written with Linda Perry (4 Non Blondes), is in the top ten of many alternative charts. Tomorrow *Fuse TV* is running a

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JAY ALLEN SANFORD



The official band website, unwrittenlaw.com, is operated by the band's label Lava/Atlantic.

— Ken Leighton

"It's a format in trouble," said one former 91X employee about the alternative format used by 91X and 94/9. "Six years ago there were 125 modern rock stations in the country. Now there are 70."

Last month the alternative stations in both Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. dropped their format. *Rolling Stone* recently ran an article entitled "Rock Radio No Longer Rolling: Stations Dump Rock Format As Audience Declines." On Monday, Howard Stern's New York flagship station WXRK dropped alternative for a harder-rock mix (Zeppelin, AC/DC).

Three years ago 91X billed \$12 million in annual ad revenue. Last year 91X took in half that amount. This year the two alternative stations are estimated to take in \$13 million combined. That is about what Star 100.7 or KYXY will each take in separately. The figures are according to Miller-Kaplan, a radio industry guide that lists

station revenue.

91X and FM-94/9 are 17th and 21st, respectively, according to Arbitron. So how can San Diego support two alternative stations that each have a staff of full-time DJs?

"There is enough audience and revenue to support two stations in San Diego," said Darrel Goodin, general manager of 94/9. "So much of the music over the years originated in this city. West Coast cities like San Diego, L.A., Seattle are the heartland of alternative. It's kind of like doing country in Nashville."

— Ken Leighton

"Brillante," summarized a Dutch music writer. "Let's make some songs...and crafts," wrote Edmonton, Canada's *See Magazine*, after giving Bunky's debut album, *Born to Be a Motorcycle* (released last month on Asthmatic Kitty Records), 2.5 out of 5 stars.

Chicago's *Pitchfork*

weighed in with a rating of 7.7 out of 10, and Michigan's *All Music Guide* gave it 3.5



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BUNKY IS KNOWN FOR ITS CRAFTINESS

out of 5 stars. Bunky plays the Ché Café tonight.

— David Stampone

"I wanted to tap people on the shoulder and remind them of black women's contribution to American music," says Calvin Mason, writer/director of *Raisin' the Rent*, a musical that opened last Friday at Caesar Café downtown. The show features a live band and the Ira Aldridge Repertory Players.

"Ira Aldridge was a black actor in the mid-1800s, born in the U.S., who went to Europe and became one of the greatest Shakespearean actors of his time. He became

a 'master Othello.' When people used to speak of Othello, they referred to him. When he played the role in Russian, he was so convincing that someone from the balcony jumped onto the stage and tried to stop him from killing Desdemona."

Raisin' the Rent plays through May 22, \$40 with dinner, \$25 without; call 619-283-4574 for reservations.

— Michael Hemmingson

Local sportswear firm Lite Breeze

lost its \$10 million lawsuit against Britney Spears for infringement on its "In the Zone" trademark (Spears used the title on her new CD and tour merchandise). "They based their motion...on a First Amendment defense," says Lite Breeze attorney Kathleen Walker, "and we feel the judge was overly broad in accepting that." Spears's 2004 album *In the Zone* has sold 2.9 million copies.

— Jay Allen Sanford

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Dubby Plus

"A full-on gorilla kicked me off the decks."

Multiple projects and various stage handles seem to be the norm in DJ culture. Take, for instance, Beau Lamontagne, known both locally and internationally as DJ Kid Nasty and/or Mr. Blend; and DJ Jon Baker (a.k.a. Walker) of *BrokenBeat.com*. They have formed a duo called Frik and Frak.

Beau describes this project as "Laptop vs. vinyl. Walker links his laptop into the mixer that I'm DJing on, and we layer song segments on top of each other to create new ones. It's still in its development stage. Kind of dubby plus experimental sounding, but with an electro-breakbeat so people can dance to it. We've done a couple of shows at [Club] Kadan that have been moderately successful."

His other project, the Parallel Mechanics, is a trio of sound with DJ SIX8 and a flute player named Tim, a.k.a. Treelow Onyalawn. "We've played at various spots around town: Onyx Room/Thin, Chive, the W, the Casbah, Kava Lounge [formerly Pirate's Den], and Bar Dynamite, and a bunch of others. Our motto for the style of hip-hop/Afrobeat fusion that we play is 'Music that you never knew existed but always wanted to hear.' We also as of late have been coming out in costume on these Saturday nights: Full-on lab goggles, mechanic jumpsuits, and hard hats. Just to give people a little bit more of a show."

TRICKIEST TECHNICAL PROBLEM AT LIVE SHOWS?

Beau "No matter how much you try to

prepare, when something goes wrong during sound check, there's never the right combination of backup audio cables that you need. ('RCA to quarter-inch, dammit!')

Walker "BrokenBeat hosting the Schematic Tour 2004 at the Hollywood Star. Having to use all my personal gear — Mackie, turntables, and every cable I have — to set up the sound

last-minute for the artists on tour: Richard Devine, Otto Von Schirach, and Nick Forte. People have already paid and are in the club. Otto needed a special connection for his Vocoder, and we did not have it. The show worked, it went on, but not without Otto throwing his veggie burrito at the crowd in frustration."

WEIRDEST GIG?

Beau "Probably at a Halloween party at the Pirate's Den. A few years back, when a full-on gorilla kicked me off the decks. Not sure if he escaped from the zoo or what, but the first record he played was the Sugarhill 'Rapper's Delight' song, and everyone in the club went absolutely nuts for him. I, on the other hand, sulked in the corner in disbelief that I was upstaged by a gorilla."

Walker "True Headz party in Los Angeles at the Smell with DJ Swamp. The bathrooms broke hours before the show. We did not have enough time to have it fixed or to look into renting one. A crew of friends got together and carried a very disgusting Porta Potti several city blocks to the entrance of the Smell. The name of the club that night was



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Frik and Frak: Beau and Walker

very appropriate."

WHAT HAPPENS IN YOUR DREAMS ABOUT GIGGING?

Beau "People are dancing and having a good time, but in reverse — both the dancing and the music. And there's not one girl coming up to the DJ booth to request 'The Birthday Song.' I guess because it's a dream, I'm probably just DJing in my underwear."

Walker "In my dreams I am usually playing on different planets, and the sound is not made from instruments but purely from thought."

Cyndi Lauper is there too, as well as Alf and Mr. T."

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Beau "Getz/Gilberto, *Kind of Blue* [Miles Davis], *The K+D Sessions*, *Ritual de lo Habitual* [Jane's Addiction], *The Low End Theory* [A Tribe Called Quest]."

Walker "Skinny Puppy's *VIVISect VI*, Mr. Bungle's *California*, Crunch's *Crunch 2*, Chris De Luca and Peabird's *Deadly Wiz Da Disko*, and Earth Circuit's *Big Bang!*" ■

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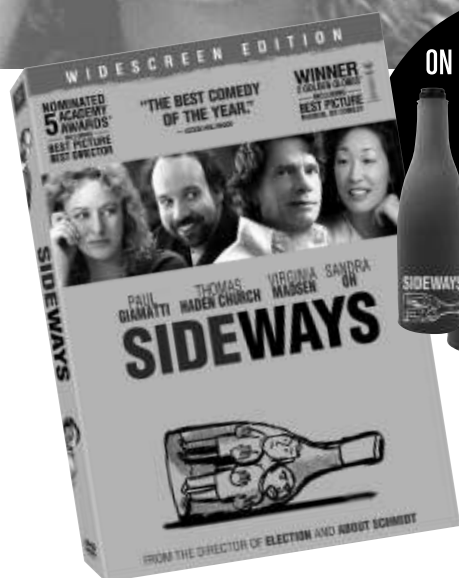
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UPCOMING CONCERTS

APRIL

The Samples and **Gregory
Page** [186]: Belly Up Tavern,
Thursday, April 14, 9 p.m., 143 South
Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach.
619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

**The Yonder Mountain String
Band**: Belly Up Tavern, Friday, April
15, 9:30 p.m., 143 South Cedros
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The Crystal Method [268]: 4th &
B, Friday, April 15, 9 p.m., 345 B
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Stacey Earle & Mark Stuart:
Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday,
April 15, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield
Street, Normal Heights. Information,
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moe. [459]: 4th & B, Saturday, April
16, 345 B Street, downtown.
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Papa Roach [296]: SOMA,
Saturday, April 16, 3350 Sports Arena
Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662
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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
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Bob Schneider [244]: Belly Up
Tavern, Sunday, April 17, 7:30 p.m.,
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Ellis Paul [819]: Acoustic Music San
Diego, Thursday, April 21, 7:30 p.m.,
4650 Mansfield Street, Normal
Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

The Mars Volta [292]: RIMAC
Arena, Friday, April 22, 8 p.m., UCSD
campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or
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Gordon Lightfoot: Sycuan Casino
Showcase Theatre, Friday, April 22,
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Dickey Betts: Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, April 23, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

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, 7:30 p.m., 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.

Edie 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.

The Blasters [478], **Eve Selis** [410], and the **Flying Putos:** Belly Up Tavern, Friday, April 29, 9 p.m., 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

David Wilcox [883]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 29, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

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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. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

Juanes: Cox Arena, Tuesday, May 3, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

Umphrey's McGee: Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 4, 9 p.m.,

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Elton John [567]: Cox Arena, Friday, May 6, 8 p.m., SDSU campus, College Area. 619-220-8497 or 619-594-0429.

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.

The Allman Brothers [564] and **Lynyrd Skynyrd** [533]: "Bayside Concerts with Viejas," Embarcadero Marina Park South, Sunday, May 8, downtown San Diego waterfront. 619-220-8497.

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 Straws: 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.

The Wailers [759]: House of Blues, Wednesday, May 11, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 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.

George Clinton: House of Blues, Thursday, May 12, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

John Prine [887]: Spreckels Theatre, Friday, May 13, 7:30 p.m., 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

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The John Butler Trio: House of Blues, Sunday, May 15, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Jimmy Eat World [578] and **Taking Back Sunday:** Cox Arena, Sunday, May 15, 7:30 p.m., 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.

Dishwalla: House of Blues, Monday, May 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Erasure [279]: 4th & B, Tuesday, May 17, 8 p.m., 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

Audioslave and **Johnny Polanski:** House of Blues, Tuesday, May 17, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Joe Jackson and Todd Rundgren [228]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, May 18, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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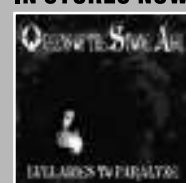
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Lenny Kravitz [529] and **Nikka Costa [600]**: Copley Symphony Hall, Thursday, May 19, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-220-8497.

Dierks Bentley and Jedd Hughes:
Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,
Friday, May 20, 7:30 p.m., 2241
Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.
619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Snoop Dogg [302]: RIMAC Arena, Friday, May 20, 8 p.m., UCSD campus, La Jolla. 858-534-8497 or 619-220-8497.

The Blues Brothers with **Dan Aykroyd** and **Jim Belushi**: House of Blues, Saturday, May 21, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Seal [610]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, May 24, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Maktub [572]: Belly Up Tavern,
Wednesday, May 25, 143 South
Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach.
619-220-8497 or 858-481-8140.

Don Carlos [746]: House of Blues, Friday, May 27, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

The Steve Miller Band [571]:
"Bayside Concerts with Viejas,"
Embarcadero Marina Park South,
Saturday, May 28, downtown San
Diego waterfront. 619-220-8497.

Vicente Fernandez: Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday, May 28, 7 p.m., 2050 Entertainment Circle, Chula Vista. 619-671-3600 or 619-220-8497.

Dramarama: Brick by Brick, Saturday, May 28, 8 p.m., 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-220-8497 or 619-275-5483.

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

Travis Tritt: Palomar Starlight Theater, Friday, June 3, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

Rick Springfield [581]: Viejas
Casino Concerts in the Park,
Saturday, June 4, , 8 p.m., 5005
Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497
or 619-445-5400.

Steve Winwood [596]:
Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,
Saturday, June 4, 7:30 p.m., 2241
Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island.
619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

The Beach Boys [599]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 5, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Bad Religion [297]: House of Blues, Sunday, June 5, and Tuesday, June 7, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

Bryan Adams [582]: Viejas Casino
Concerts in the Park, Monday, June 6,
8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine.
619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

The Go-Go's: Humphrey's Concerts
by the Bay, Monday, June 6,
7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive,
Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or
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George Benson [620]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 9, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Wayne Newton: Viejas Casino
Concerts in the Park, Friday, June 10,
8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine.
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Keb' Mo' [1968] and Ledisi:
Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay,
Friday, June 10, 7:30 p.m., 2241
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OF NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

If you write about music, you're practically obligated to hate a band like the **Killers**. There's any number of reasons why: They're from Las Vegas, the most artificial city on the planet; the band members cite Oasis as one of their major influences; they formed in 2002 and almost immediately landed a major-label record deal; their debut album sounds like a pastiche of currently fashionable '80s influences; singer **Brandon Flowers** uses a gospel choir as backup on one song in which he utters the words "I got soul." What's more, to hear Flowers slide his

The Faint and Bright Eyes: SOMA, Friday, June 10, 7 p.m., 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

Eve Selis [410]: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, June 11, 7:30 p.m., 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

ZZ Top [586]: Del Mar Fairgrounds,
Sunday, June 12, 7:30 p.m., 2260
Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar.
858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Tony Bennett: Palomar Starlight Theater, Sunday, June 12, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

The Moody Blues: Humphrey's
Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, June 12,
7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive,
Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or
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Al Green [964]: Viejas Casino
Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, June
14, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road,
Alpine. 619-220-8497 or
619-445-5400.

Lucinda Williams [848] and Lisa Sanders [893]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Wednesday, June 15, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

REO Speedwagon [587]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Friday, June 17, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

Steel Pulse [730]: Del Mar Fairgrounds, Saturday, June 18, 7:30 p.m., 2260 Jimmy Durante Boulevard, Del Mar. 858-755-1161 or 619-220-8497.

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Wednesday, June 22, 7 p.m., 2241
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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.

Cesaria Evora [885] and **Madeleine Peyroux**: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 23, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Bo Diddley [967]: Belly Up Tavern,
Thursday, June 23, 8 p.m., 143 South
Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach.
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The Wallflowers: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Saturday, June 25, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Lowen & Navarro [286]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, June 25, 7:30 p.m., 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. Information, 619-303-8176.

David Byrne: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Monday, June 27, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Buddy Guy [960] and Eric Johnson: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Tuesday, June 28, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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.

Whitesnake: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, June 29, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

Dwight Yoakam [779]: Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Thursday, June 30, 8 p.m., 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-220-8497 or 619-445-5400.

"Warped Tour 2005" featuring the **Offspring**, **Thrice [491]**, **My Chemical Romance**, and more: Coors Amphitheatre, Thursday, June 30, noon, 2050 Entertainment Circle,

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Chris Isaak: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, June 30, and Friday, July 1, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

JULY

Jaguares [301]: House of Blues, Saturday, July 2, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

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.

Lyle Lovett: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 3, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

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Julio Iglesias [608]: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Thursday, July 7, 8 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Chris Botti [689] and Steve Oliver: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Friday, July 8, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Frankie Valli & the Four Seasons: Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay, Sunday, July 10, 7:30 p.m., 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-220-8497 or 619-523-1010.

Julio Iglesias [608]: Palomar Starlight Theater, Tuesday, July 12, 7:30 p.m., Pala Casino Resort, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

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Los Lonely Boys and **Ozomatli** [270]: "Bayside Concerts with Viejas," Embarcadero Marina Park South, Sunday, July 31, downtown San Diego waterfront. 619-220-8497.

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AUGUST

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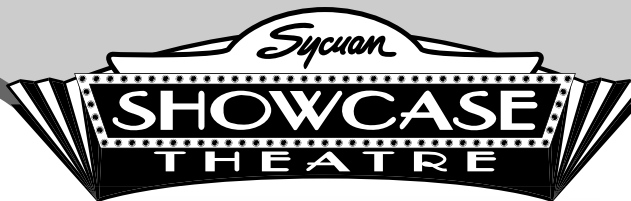
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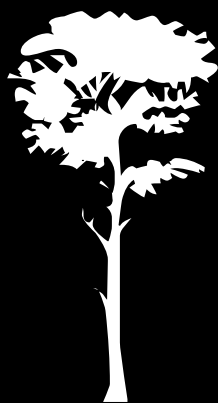
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Call Me Alice [149]: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

Campaign for Quiet [274]: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Cheeky: Blind Melons

Dama: Blind Melons

Daredevil Jane: Brick By Brick

The Dead Kennedys: 'Canes

Divided by Zero: Blind Melons

The Dog and Pony Show: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

Downspell: Longshot Saloon

Duck Duck Cheetah: Blind Melons

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Eternal Unborn: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

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Fall Apart: Brick By Brick

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The Flametrick Subs: The Casbah

Foil: 'Canes

Golden Mean: The Roseary Room

Heavy Rotation: 'Canes

Hyde: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

In Between Days: Brick By Brick

Innocent Noise: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

Irwin: The Roseary Room

Itai: Lestat's Coffeehouse

Jenix: Brick By Brick

Jennifer Lee: E Street Cafe

Left Hand Thread: Molly's

Maiden Taiwan [181]: Brick By Brick

Manuok: The Casbah

Anya Marina [118]: Lestat's Coffeehouse

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Sunday, July 10 • 7:30

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Tuesday, July 12 • 7:30

Hootie & The Blowfish

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Thursday, July 14 • 7:30

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Friday, July 15 • 8:00

Heart

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Sunday, July 17 • 7:30

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Tears For Fears

with special guest **Jimmy Chamberlin**
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Wednesday, July 20 • 7:30

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Sunday, July 24 • 6:00

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Monday, August 1 • 6:30

Chaka Khan

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Wednesday, August 10 • 8:00

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Thursday, August 11 • 7:30

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Sunday, August 14 • 7:30

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Monday, August 15 • 7:30

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Friday, August 19 • 7:30

Hot Summer Nights

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Monday, August 22 • 7:00

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Thursday, August 25 • 7:00

Big Bad Voodoo Daddy

Friday, August 26 • 8:00

Doobie Brothers

Sunday, August 28 • 7:30

Johnny Clegg Band/Taj Mahal

Monday, August 29 • 7:00

Jefferson Starship

featuring **Paul Kantner & Marty Balin**
Wednesday, August 31 • 7:30

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Susan Tedeschi/Blind Boys of Alabama

Thursday, September 1 • 7:30

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Wednesday, September 7 • 7:30

Keali'i Reichel/Na Leo

Friday & Saturday, September 9 & 10 • 7:30

Aretha Franklin

Wednesday, September 14 • 7:30

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Thursday, September 15 • 6:30

Ottmar Liebert & Luna Negra

Sunday, September 18 • 7:30

Tony Bennett

Tuesday, September 20 • 7:30

Jim Brickman

Wednesday, September 21 • 7:30

Pat Metheny Trio

featuring **Christian McBride & Antonio Sanchez**
Thursday, September 22 • 7:30

Tower of Power

Friday, September 23 • 8:00

Dead Can Dance

Tuesday, September 27 • 7:30

Rockin' Blues Revue

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Tristan Prettyman: Belly Up Tavern
Rattletrap: Brick By Brick
The Sess [194]: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Siren: 'Canes
Split Infinity: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Thicker Than Thieves [200]: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Tony da Skitzo: Blind Melons
The Underhills: 'Canes

EXTENSION 4003

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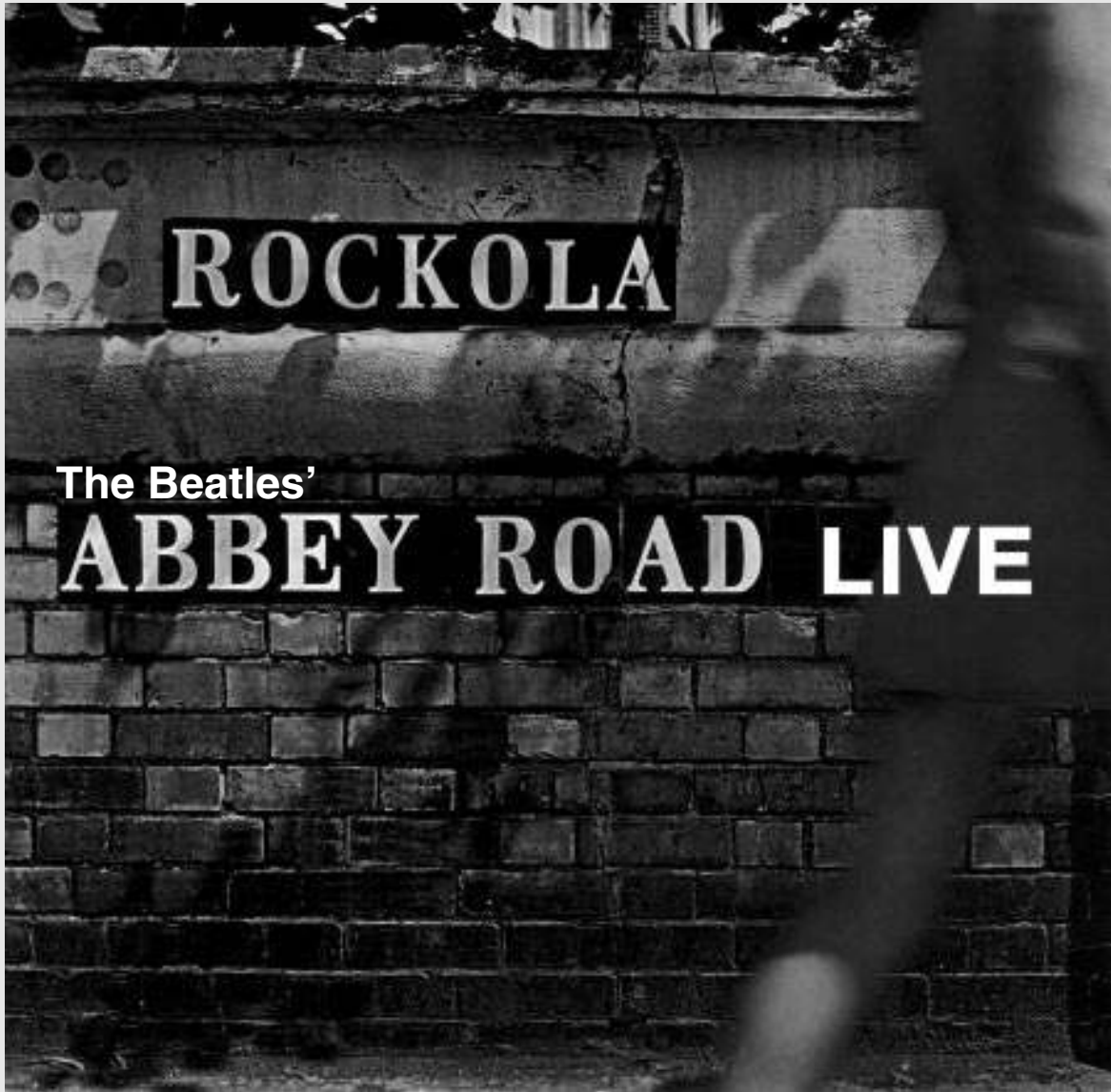
Aurous: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Bandits [451]: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Bargain Music: Winstons
The Bellrays: The Casbah
Boneyard: Coyote Bar and Grill
Butane: Blind Melons
Collect All Five: Winstons
The Clay Colton Band: Tom Giblin's Irish Pub & Restaurant, Hennessey's Tavern (Vista)
Confined to Solitude: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Dave Matthews Band Experience: 'Canes
Deadline Friday [404]: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Dehru Dun: The Kensington Club
The Detroit Underground: Viejas Casino
The Devices: The Blvd. (San Marcos)

The Electric Waste Band: Winstons
The Evil Twins: Di-mond Jim's Nightclub
The Expendables: 'Canes
FDAP: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Footloose: Fannie's Nightclub
From Agony Within: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Fuzz Huzzi: Brick By Brick
G Tom Mac: Brick By Brick
G.A.S.P.: Brick By Brick
Mike Gardner: North Bar Sports & Spirits, Mas Fina Cantina, Cheers
Get Back Loretta: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Gio Trio: Winstons
Groove Rite: Blind Melons
Headtrip Superstar: The Blvd. (San Marcos), 'Canes
Heinous: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Hera's Olive [461]: Dick's Last Resort
Honor Wounds: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Hornswaggled: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Hydra: 4th & B
The In-Laws: Surf N'Saddle
Inside Out: Viejas Casino
The Jackson 3 [495]: Carvers
The Jefferson Jay Band: Winstons
Junkies & Thieves: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Kemosabe: The Greek Sombrero
Red Lane: Patrick's II
Lift: Longshot Saloon
Little World: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Loose Cannon: Blind Melons
Loud Residence: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Mammals: The Casbah
Nite Hawk: Danky's
Of Hearts and Shadows: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Offbeats: McP's Irish Pub and Grill
On Fire: Bub's Whiskey Dive
Pale Black: Dirk's Niteclub
Patient Zero: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Percolators: Winstons
The Pervs: Blind Melons
Private Domain [489]: Dick's Last Resort
Proper Jive: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company
RDG: 'Canes
Relic: 'Canes
Rev: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Victoria Robertson Band: Humphrey's
The Rock and Roll Soldiers: The Casbah
The Rock Trio: Tiki House
The Rockaholics: Second Wind (Santee)
Joe Satriani [536]: 4th & B
Saturday's Child: Blind Melons
Eve Selis [410]: The Calypso Cafe
Serious Guise: Second Wind (San Carlos)
The Shape Shifters: Winstons
The Siers Brothers: Dick's Last Resort
The Sin Stereo: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Something Else: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)
The Sons of Champlin: Humphrey's
The Southland: Belly Up Tavern
Eddie Spaghetti: The Casbah
The Stampede Band: Etta's Place
Stealing Trees: Surf N'Saddle
The Stepping Feet: 'Canes
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Sway: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
Take Over Turn: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Tall Dudes: Don's Cocktail Lounge
34 Below [437]: Brick By Brick
This Side Up: Sham Rocks Shack
Tubby: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
20 Miles South: Winstons
Uptown Groove: Boar Cross'n
Von Iva: The Casbah
Whiskey Tango: Tiki House
Wild Child: 'Canes
Cory Wilkins: The Blvd. (San Marcos)
The Zendogs: Surf N'Saddle
Zindu: Winstons

EXTENSION 4004

POP / TOP 40

B Natural: Bahia Belle Cruise
Jesse Davis: Buon Giorno Restaurant
The Love Rangers: The Alley
Rick Lyon: The Imperial House
The Mar Dels: Belly Up Tavern
The New Breed Band: Dick's Last Resort

Patrick Quillin: Benihana
The Ratz Pack: La Scala
Peter Robberecht/Pianoman [622]: Dakota Grill and Spirits
David Paul Windham: Danky's

EXTENSION 4005

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, Patrick's II
The Sacha Boutros Quartet: The Westgate Hotel, Pasquale on Prospect, Aurora Trattoria
Ray Briz: Hotel del Coronado
Jason Brown: Humphrey's
John Cain [703]: Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge, Hotel del Coronado
The Jorge Camberos Quintet: Croce's Jazz Bar
Ben Campbell: Dizzy's
Sammy Canonizado: Cafe LaMaze
Karin Carson: Upstart Crow
Gilbert Castellanos [667]: Excelsior
Sandy Chappel: Cafe LaMaze
Jo Dark: The German-American Societies
The David Patrone Quartet [647]: Croce's Jazz Bar, Martini Ranch (Gaslamp)
Fuerte: The Calypso Cafe

NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Call him a percussionist instead of a drummer and I doubt that few would argue. On some Grateful Dead tours, **Mickey Hart's** drum collection formed the rear perimeter of the stage with assorted congas, tympani, gongs, and electronic percussion devices. As one-half of the Rhythm Devils with co-drummer Bill Kreutzmann, Hart has helped push the cosmic experience that was the Dead around the track for almost 30 years. His playing was informed for a rock drummer in a stoner band; with jazzlike sensibilities, on their best nights Hart and Kreutzmann were able to support their bandmates in pulling tangible moods out of the thin air of the extended jam.

Hart's the guy to watch in **Hydra**, a recent collaboration of him and the funktronic band **Particle**. San Diego being the third

stop on a short tour that kicked off in Santa Cruz, you may have heard Particle pre-Hart in the lineups at Burning Man or Coachella. Their galaxy rock is the kind of music one might appreciate in the midst of hundreds of festivalgoers ingesting exotic substances and wandering about the desert hardpan wearing only body paint. Particle is like the '70s electronica band Kraftwerk, only not as cool. Minus the wit of a Nortec Collective or the potent range of Portland's Fear No Music (art noise meets classic electronica), Particle's sole attribute lies in the creation of instrumental rock-tinged sound loops.

I expected Hart to bring a polyrhythmic flavor to Hydra. In the tracks I previewed, he does not. Rather, Hart plays straightforward and on the beat, a low-voltage but likable performance. Still, that surprised me — when not punching the Dead's time clock, Hart's been the global ambassador of drum, recording with indigenous tribes in far-flung spots



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like Thailand or New Guinea; his *Planet Drum* project earned him a Grammy award in 1991. Devoted to culling genius from world music at large, Hart has also written books on drumming, culture, and music. "Hydra is about extreme music," Hart says in Hydra's press release, "extreme music for extreme people." We'll see.

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Daniel Jackson: Hotel del Coronado
Barbara Jamerson: Hotel del Coronado

Jazilla: Turquoise Cafe
Candy Kane [939]: Tio Leo's Lounge
Tony Lasley: Hotel del Coronado
The Mark Lessman Band: Humphrey's

Barry Levich: La Valencia Hotel
Masterpiece: Jimmy Love's
Jerry Melnick: The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn
The Shep Meyers Quartet [660]: Hotel del Coronado, Croce's Jazz Bar

The Larry Morgan Jazz Quintet: La Bocca Ristorante
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Joe Tarantino: Hotel del Coronado,
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The Tami Thomas Big Band:
Viejas Casino

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Trece de la Suerte: Excelsior

The Jaime Valle Quartet [704]:
Tutto Mare, Harry's Bar and
American Grill

Jason Weber: Humphrey's

Yavaz: Croce's Jazz Bar

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REGGAE / SKA

The Fabulous Rudies: The Blvd.
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General Smiley: Winstons

Jah Blood & Fiyah Angels: Belly
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The Jordan Loder Band: Tiki
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Kush & Jah Blood Fiyah Angels:
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Tippa Lee: Winstons

The Meditations: Belly Up Tavern

NZ Rough: Hennessey's Tavern (PB)

The Shocks of Mighty: Belly Up
Tavern

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EXTENSION 4007

COUNTRY

The California Rangers: McCabe's
Beach Club

Coyote Moon: Mulvaney's

Pirate Radio: Renegade Inn

EXTENSION 4008

ACOUSTIC / FOLK

An Carraig: The Ould Sod

John Beasley: Dizzy's

Scott H. Biram: The Casbah

John Bosley: Crossroads Cafe &
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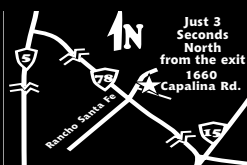
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Crossfire: Patrick's II

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The Alley, 421 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-434-1173, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *the Love Rangers*, Top 40/pop.

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

The Blvd., 925 West San Marcos Boulevard, San Marcos. 760-510-0004. Thursday, 9 p.m., hip-hop/R&B. Friday, *the Long Beach Shortbus* and *Good Intentions*, rock. Saturday, small stage, 1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Hyde*, *Eternal Unborn*, *Thicker Than Thieves*, *Plane without a Pilot*, *Aurous*, the *Evergreens*, *Split Infinity*, *Deadline Friday*, *Elora*, *Tubby*, and *the Bandits*.

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Carvers, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *the Jackson 3*, rock.

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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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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.

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Album Name: *Fool's Grass* (2004)

Artist: 7th Day Buskers

Label: Shubzu

Songs: 1) Sky Ain't Soft 2) Riding Free 3) The Way It Be 4) Backstage Johnny 5) Prodigal Son 6) Argentina 7) Coming Home Soon 8) Wooden Floor and Stockings 9) No'Dak Special 10) Lat Tin Shoulder 11) Montero Road 12) Devil's Right Hand 13) Oxlip

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Band Members: Shawn P. Rohlf (guitar, banjo, harmonica, lead vocals), Robin Henkel (Dobro, harmony vocals), Steve Peavy (mandolin, guitar, harmony vocals), Melissa Harley (fiddle), Ken Dow (upright bass, harmony, vocals)

Extra Info: 7th Day Buskers play the Carlsbad Village Theatre (2822 State Street in Carlsbad) Saturday, April 23. Show starts at 8 p.m., \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door. Cris Stuart & Backcountry also perform.

Website: www.7thdaybuskers.com

Back with their signature twang and frenzied fiddles, the 7th Day Buskers once again couple tradi-

tional country folk with a contemporary edge. The first track opens with the line *"There's a whole mess of things going*

on between her earrings now," then breaks into a fervent vocal-and-instrumental jam that showcases the five busking at their best. The rest of the album seems repetitious. The musicians are tamer this time around. Gone is the ram-bunctious, seemingly freestyle instrumentation of their first two releases. No screaming guitars or thundering percussion, just the bare acoustics of fiddles and mandolins. If the vocals were strong, this might be sustainable, but the lead voices are not inspiring. This band could be hot if they found a good singer.

"Argentina," "Montero Road," and "Devil's Right Hand" are entirely instrumental. (No wonder there.)

Though they have scaled back, the band hasn't lost its sense of humor. Rohlf croons an ode to the dreams of a North Dakotan, *"In a well-lit diner / she serves the No'Dak*



7th Day Buskers

special / I hide out back in the Dumpster / and when she takes the trash out / we'll be high tailing, ass hauling, ball and jackin', jack and ballin'...greased pig speed from this duck-puddle town they call Tuttle / we'll be South Dakota bound."

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Crown Room: Sunday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., *John Cain*.

Island Sports & Spirits, 104 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-3456. Thursday, *Ron's Garage*, acoustic rock. Friday, *the Stiletto*s, rockabilly. Saturday, *Tommy Budd*, blues.

The Manhattan Lounge, 400 Broadway, Chula Vista. 619-422-6641. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock.

McP's Irish Pub and Grill, 1107 Orange Avenue, Coronado. 619-435-5280. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Sweet Blue Onion*, blues. Friday, *Ron's Garage*. Saturday, *the Offbeats*. Sunday, *Steve Brewer*, acoustic. Monday, *Tommy Price*. Tuesday, *Jackson & Sven*. Wednesday, *4-Way Street*.

EAST COUNTY

Crossroads Cafe and Coffeehouse, 169 East Main Street, El Cajon. 619-749-0623. Music is acoustic/folk. Thursday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., open mike. Friday, 7 p.m., *Fredom*. Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *John Bosley* and *Greg Campbell*. Sunday, open mike, blues. Tuesday and Wednesday, open mike, acoustic.



MUSIC > only Christian bands, but a variety including rockabilly, light rock, acoustic, blues (they list it as "happy blues"), piano, vocalists, and worship

SPECIAL NIGHTS > Friday and Saturday are the live music nights

CLIENTELE > all ages, half the crowd was families; 90 percent Caucasian, 10 percent Latino; equal mix of men and women

COVER > none

HOURS > Sunday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday the same hours, but open again from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. (for live music)

DRINKS > no alcohol; variety of coffees, teas, soft drinks, and a soda fountain (root beer floats are \$2.95)

FOOD > they used to have sandwiches, but now just pastries

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and desserts (sundaes, malted milkshakes, etc); other restaurants within walking distance

ACCESS > downtown Escondido; parking lot in back with a three-hour limit during the day; on the street it's a two-hour limit until 5:00 p.m.; bus stops all around

DRESS > casual, but I only saw a few pairs of jeans (mostly slacks and dress shirts); nobody was wearing hats; T-shirts included "Jimi Hendrix," "Cookie Monster," "Regal Line," "Retain the Game," and "Shark Attack Presents"

DANCE FLOOR > an area about 10' by 20' in front of where band performs

FIRE EXITS > two — the main entrance and one at the back near the bathroom

BATHROOMS > one for men and

women; one toilet and one sink; decorated with a 1940s look, including an old dresser and a few old photos; very clean and graffiti free

CAPACITY > 75

SPECIAL AREAS > a section that is carpeted, with a fireplace, bookshelves, a few board games, couches, a coffee table, and you still have a view of the band; also three tables on a front patio (that are covered); I was surprised that nobody was using the two computers (\$5 an hour or plug in your laptop for free)

FURNISHINGS > decorated with two themes: religious and art deco; the walls had Jesus, angels, and crosses painted on them (and a mural of a couple drinking coffee); there were also old *Life* magazines and other black-and-white photos, an antique telephone and camera, two computers, ten tables with checkered tablecloths, a china cabinet with various things for sale (teapots, earrings, candles, etc), and a card rack with greeting cards

DECIBEL LEVEL > 106 when Inside Out performed; 104 last week at Dick's Last Resort
WEIRDEST BAND NAME IN LAST MONTH > Van
QUOTABLE > "I forgot to bring my Bible."

It wasn't until the band's third song that I realized they were singing about the Lord. The instrumentation was drums, guitars (electric and acoustic), and violins. One of the guys working there said, "There's never any cover. And we don't pay the bands to play here. We can't afford to. We already have every day this month booked though." He went on to tell me he had a rockabilly band, the Regal Line, that performs there. I told him his body covered in tattoos was probably rare for a Christian (he had praying hands tattooed on his neck).

Later I heard someone say, "Elvis and Johnny Cash started with religious songs, you know."
— Josh Board

Dirk's Niteclub, 7662 Broadway, Lemon Grove. 619-469-6344. Friday and Saturday, *Pale Black*, classic rock.

Don's Cocktail Lounge, 13321 Business Highway 8, El Cajon. 619-443-2444. Friday and Saturday, *the Tall Dudes*, rock.

Fannie's Nightclub, 9143 Campo Road, Spring Valley. 619-698-2204. Friday, *the Rockin' Blues Hounds*. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Footloose*, classic rock.

The German-American Societies, 1017 South Mollison

Avenue, El Cajon. 858-273-7283. Friday, 7:30 p.m., *the Ray Barrie 12-Piece Big Band* featuring *Jo Dark*.

The Greek Sombrero, 12891 Highway 94, Jamul. 619-669-1979. Friday, *Kemosabe*, classic rock.

Hooley's Irish Pub and Grill, 2955 Jamacha Road, Rancho San Diego. 619-670-7468. Friday, 9 p.m., *the Ballad Mongers*, adult alternative.

Monroe's Cafe, 7404 University Avenue, La Mesa. 619-464-7100. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *the B-3 Four*, jazz/blues. Saturday, jazz.

Mr. Joey's Cantina, 9570 Murray Drive, La Mesa. 619-466-2912. Friday, live rock/jazz. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Los Reyes del Ritmo*, Latin.

Mulvaney's, 8861 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-448-8550. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Coyote Moon*, country.

Renegade Inn, 14335 Old Highway 80 (half mile east from Lake Jennings turnoff), Flynn Springs. 619-561-8105. Friday and Saturday, *Pirate Radio*, country rock.

Second Wind, 8528 Magnolia Avenue, Santee. 619-596-8350. Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Rockaholics*, rock. Wednesday, *the Stiletto*s, rockabilly.

Viejas Casino, 5000 Willows Road, Alpine (off Interstate 8). 619-445-5400. Friday, 9 p.m., *Inside Out*, classic rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Detroit Underground*, rock/soul. Sunday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., *the Tami Thomas Big Band*.



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Call it the week of the cheese mussel. I discovered the little green-lipped, yellow-capped monsters in National City and ended up days later at an eatery outside MCAS Miramar, staring at them with the dread of an addict who must have his fix. His mussel-relaxant, you might say.

Yet mussels were the least of it: a single steaming chafing dish amongst hundreds, in what's starting to look like a new fashion for cornucopia eateries — Chinese buffets on a grand scale, groaning with rows of Oriental and Occidental dishes that range from shrimp to noodles to oysters to roast beef to, well, on and on.

Not that I'm complaining. We're talking the answer to every food-loving guy's prayer. Limitless refills, cheap, no questions asked, no time limit. This past week I've been cruising the latest offerings.

Two things struck me about them all. First, this is not your typical Chinese takeout. These are eating *palaces*. Pastel halls with fruitcake carpet and brass-framed sneeze-guards around the avenues of serving tables. Like casinos, minus the cigarette haze. And, two, you gotta acknowledge what fantastic bargains these places are. It's not just the quantities. For families and others on a budget, the great thing is that there are no surprises: the price going in is the price coming out. But there's one other thing you can't help noticing — all the Chinese staff are rake-thin. The customers, on the other hand (and I don't exclude myself), ain't. Here are five reasons why.

CHINA SUPER BUFFET

This neighborhood, just south of 30th, is down where the serious lowriders cruise. Cars "hop" all the way along Highland to Sweetwater Square — when the cops aren't watching.

China Super Buffet is the big cream palace next to Peter Pan Pizza. I'm here at eight in the evening. Dinner's \$8.25 versus \$5.75 for lunch, but they say you get a wider choice. (They charge kids aged 2-11 "40 cents per year" at lunch, 60 cents at dinner.) Promised are "over 100 items daily." So much food, so little time. I walk in, get seated, order a coffee (endless-refill sodas and coffee cost \$1.06), and survey the four double-sided chafing tables steaming with various dishes. Two more hold extras like sushi and desserts. Yellow-gloved girls rove the rows, checking, stirring, wiping, plowing up tired stews like gardeners tending flower beds.



East Buffet

So up you go, thinking you're destined for standard-issue orange chicken, beef broccoli, and egg rolls. But it doesn't have to be, as I soon discover. I start simple. A soup (they have five: clam chowder, miso, hot and sour, egg drop, and wonton). I pick hot and sour. With crispy noodles. It's good. Pork in there, dark, mushy, slightly vinegary.

I tong up some garlicky house chicken, add a few salt and pepper shrimp, breaded shrimp for contrast, a half-dozen marinated baby octopuses that look like large blushing spiders, one wonton, stuffed mushrooms, and — aha. Now we're talking interesting. Rows of mussels in their shells, melted cheese bubbling golden on top. I make room for four.

I tell you, this is good chow. You could die of joy from the stuffed mushrooms alone. They have pork, ginger, soy (and maybe corn flour) in the stuffing, and I could see popping them till I popped, if it wasn't for the cheese mussels. Oh man, those mussels. You wrench 'em off the shell, squelch, crunch through the cheese-lava dome, and give in

to the flavor flow racing down your gullet.

I can't believe how much I'm eating here. Earlier, I spotted roast beef, so now I'm headed thataway. I grab a couple of slices, take a pot of *au jus* and some sour cream, plus rice and a splot of cheesy spinach, and, oh yeah, a couple of crab legs. I head back to my table to begin course two.

The amazing thing is, I fit in two additional courses after that.

A plate of salmon (delicious, moist, not too fishy), more of those stuffed mushrooms, and cheese mussels. Then, okay, need to clear the palate, dahling. Ergo: salad bar. I mix cold cooked shrimp, lettuce, a kind of coleslaw/sweet-mayo blend, baby corn, raisins, beetroot, and sweet-coated peanuts to crackle it up. Next, sushi bar. It's definitely a sideline affair, and I'm no sushi expert, but the rice and seaweed wraps are fresh and moist.

Course six: A plateful of green Jell-O, a chocolate cake square, peaches, tapioca pudding, a chocolate slurry, and a deep snowdrift of cream. *Erp*. I'm ready to be ballast for some tugboat. Only my wallet is lighter, by \$12.06, including drink and tax.

REVIEW

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I crack open my fortune cookie, chew the vanillery pastry, and read the slip of paper.

"Everyone around you is rooting for you. Don't give up!"

CHINA SUPER BUFFET

3007 Highland Avenue #9, National City,
619-336-9989.

PRICES: Lunch buffet (Monday–Saturday), \$5.75; dinner buffet (Monday–Thursday, all day Sunday and holidays), \$8.25.

HOURS: Lunch, 10:30 a.m.–3:50 p.m.

Monday–Thursday; dinner, 3:50 p.m.–9:30 p.m. Monday–Thursday, till 10:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; Sundays and holidays, 10:30 a.m.–9:30 p.m.

PANDA PARK BUFFET

"Ten's Totally Nude Show Club," says the sign across Ohio Street from where I'm standing outside Panda Park, gearing up for Day Two, Round Two. As Yogi Berra might've said, it's déjà chew all over again.

Panda Park is like China Super Buffet without the vast hall, but it's also new. "Grand Opening," announces the lunch menu. I sally forth to take on the six buffet tables. Looks like a mirror of China Super Buffet's offerings. We talking franchise here? 'Course I have to start with a soup. They have wonton, hot and sour, egg flower, but I go for the seafood. It's rich and thick.

My next planeload is a shameless jumble of salt and pepper squid, salt and pepper shrimp, a clanking pile of cheese mussels (looking to repeat yesterday's epiphany), plus token dollops of boneless spare rib, sautéed mushrooms, string beans, and steamed rice — plus a bowl of chili sauce. Again, the cheese mussels are wet, fresh, and addictive.

What I can't understand is how the Panda Parks of this world can lay out these massive quantities of food and still make a profit. I get to talking with a customer who's also in the food biz. "Chuck" (He asked that I not use his real name.) "Ha!" he says. "Food expense is secondary. Your main expense is labor. So if you can cut down on that..."

I see what he's talking about: It's like the arrival of the self-serve supermarket. Buffets let the customer do the walking, the plate-filling, the carrying. "Exactly," he says. "And notice how many items are spicy, salty. That encourages you to drink. The

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more you drink, the less space you have for food.”

Well, I'm drinking plenty of coffee (\$1.00, endless refills), but I'm still eating, too. I grab some octopus and, because they're a blushing pink-on-white, two swirl-globs of Chinese bread. Their surprise is an interior of sweet red-bean paste.

Desserts don't desert me either. A butter cake has custard that bursts when you bite. It shares the plate with red grapes, self-scooped vanilla ice cream, an almond cake, a square chocolate cake, a custard, and a chopped banana that looks as if it's lying in its own brilliant red blood.

Whew. Comes to \$9.90. I crack open the fortune cookie.

"You will be successful in your work."

PANDA PARK BUFFET

3036 El Cajon Boulevard
(at Ohio), North Park,
619-640-2471.

PRICES: Lunch buffet (Monday-Saturday), \$6.29; dinner buffet (Monday-Saturday), \$8.29; Sunday all-day buffet, \$9.59.

HOURS: Lunch, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday-Saturday; dinner, 4:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

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THE GREAT MOON BUFFET

Inside the Moon's octagonal entrance, an enormous crystal chandelier glitters the message: you've entered the people's palace. Place advertises "the largest selection buffet: over 150 items daily." Its table areas fan out from the central orchestra pit of the food arrays. Chairs have elegant violin-shaped backs. Booths are red and gray, carpets, floral green.

They advertise "American, Chinese, Japanese cuisine." I manage a plateful from all three nationalities. The American portion's surf-and-turf. I slice chunks off the prime rib, add *au jus* and sour cream, plus jumbo shrimp, spinach and cheese, and my old friends, the mussels — except this time they're mayonnaise mussels. Totally dee-lish.

The Japanese plate is mostly eel and salmon sushi. The eel with sesame seeds on rice, *unagi-zushi*, tastes salty, yet caramelly too. That's as it should be: grilled over charcoal, steamed (to get rid of excess fat), seasoned with a sweetish sauce, and grilled a second time. Eelicious.

Then I'm back up for Chinese, a plate of baked crab meat on scallop shells, sesame balls (surprisingly addictive), salty shrimp, a lobster roll, yummy cream-cheese wonton, a couple of crab legs, and salty shrimp and rice.

Dessert's a strawberry cake, with fruit: loquats, pineapple, peach, longan (like lychee). A tapioca-type pudding, nuts, colored sprinkles.

It comes to \$12.99. I'm stretched tight as a drum. Yet there was so much I didn't get to try. The fried scallops, the roast duck...

I break open my fortune cookie.

"Do not desire what you do not need."

GREAT MOON BUFFET

1840 Garnet Avenue,
Pacific Beach,
858-273-6868.

PRICES: Lunch buffet (Monday-Saturday), \$7.20; dinner buffet (Monday-Saturday), and all day Sunday and holidays, \$10.20.

HOURS: Lunch, 11:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday; dinner, 3:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday, till 10:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; Sundays and holidays, 11:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

EAST BUFFET

This has to be the king of the crop, and one of the grander dining halls in the county. Curly-haired stone Chinese guardian-lions greet you outside. Inside, the menu advertises "over 200 items daily," to back its claim of being "the biggest buffet of San Diego."

East Buffet's *pièce de résistance*

is the open kitchen with a "Mongolian Grill" and sushi bar. You pick out your (say) raw prawns, chicken, pork, bean sprouts, and peppers, then hand the plati-load to the Iron Chef. He tosses them onto the grill, stir-cooks everything for a moment or two, adds Mongolian or teriyaki sauce, then hands it all back, piping hot.

Out in the dozen or so rows of steaming chafing dishes, they have pretty much the same selections as elsewhere — including cheese mussels — but there's more variety. Chicken feet, for instance. The actual ankles and claws. (The skimpy flesh tastes a bit like cow tongue, or brains.) I visit the sushi chef, and he recommends spicy tuna, a grand roll (crab meat), and tofu-enclosing rice. I see that if you want to pay individual prices, you can land some pretty spectacular sushi, like *ebi* (shrimp) for \$1.75, flying-fish roe (\$2.00), or combos such as the rainbow roll on a plank (\$6.50), or "Love Boat," arranged in a little sailboat (\$21.95). But the standard "free" stuff is the best Japanese food so far. It's all fresh, and I get a thrill when the sushi chef tosses piles of salmon-slice sashimi and tuna on my plate. Boy. They turn out to be about the most delicious part of the entire meal.

I even grab some apple pie, choc-vanilla ice cream, and a red-bean bun before I hand over

my \$9.07 (including endless coffee).

I crack open my fortune cookie.

"You are soon going to change your present line of work."

EAST BUFFET

8998 Miramar Road,
858-566-1888.

PRICES: Lunch buffet (Monday-Saturday), \$6.99; dinner buffet (Monday-Thursday), \$10.99; all day Sunday and holidays, \$11.99.

HOURS: Lunch, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday; dinner, 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Monday-Thursday, till 10:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays; 10:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Sunday

SUNRISE SUPER BUFFET

The good news is that the price here includes all drinks. As a draw, this must work, because tonight Sunrise Super Buffet is packed, mainly with families. Except for the "heavenly" sky (a lit recess in the ceiling, celestial blue), the place looks like a mega-McDonald's. "Sa-a-a-a-ad Movies Always Make Me Cry" plays on the sound system. The half-dozen chafing tables sit at the far end of the room.

A buzz goes up through the crowd. "Oysters are here!" It's a dinner-only thing. A harried Chinese staff-gal brings out dishes with dozens of raw oysters in

their big shells. Me and a clump of other eager guys grab what we can. Also some stuffed mushrooms. I add stuffed clams, dragon roll (with cucumber, avocado, asparagus), and *mochi* (a sticky-rice cake). The cheese mussels? They're here. Would if I could, but I can't. After four meals, I'm finally musselled out.

I pay \$12.84 and bust open the last fortune cookie.

"Don't behave with cold manners."

The indisputable bottom line is: You can't beat these places for value. This is where you go to try foods you'd never ask for if you had to buy them separately — or just to fill up, pig out, and enjoy guilt-free second helpings. Oliver Twist should have been so lucky.

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Pancake Time

I love you, Chula Vista

She comes up, swings her — What do you call it? Caboose? Back porch? Tush? LZ? — *whatever* onto a stool, flicks back a lavish, '40s-style mane of wavy black hair, and bathes in the swoons of admiration escaping from the rest of the diners — all men — seated here at the semicircular counter. She's like a Lorelei.

At least, that's the way I read it. If this had been a straight counter, half of us would never have noticed her. Yeah. Let's blame our heartache on Robert Roland. He's the guy who started up this joint in 1959. Or maybe it's his Aunt Emma's fault. She's the lady who inspired the entire restaurant.

It's a miracle I found Aunt Emma's at all. I mean, I love you, Chula Vista, but you don't love us walkers. Admit it: You're bought and paid for by Detroit. What other explanation?

I got off the trolley at H Street, thinking I'd find some eatery I hadn't been to before, to, like, breakfast. I walked up to Broadway, was told by this gas-station worker to look on Third, three "blocks" up. Guess he thought I had a car. Man! Wanna know why your streets are so deserted? Because your blocks are bigger than some *states* back East.

I must have made a wrong turn. I ended up on E. Guy at a bus stop took pity. "There's a breakfast place down by the trolley," he said. "Ask for Aunt Emma."

"Do they do lunch too?" I asked, just in case.

By the time I arrive at Aunt Emma's, I'm so thin, I don't even have to open the swing doors to get through. But inside — what an oasis. It has that stone-painted brick-timber look that

makes you think "Fifties," and the place is all abuzz. Hostess leads me over the blue-green carpet, past a sea of busy tables and booths to the counter at the back. It's a sort of Hollywood Bowl, with an orange-red mosaic, populated by a semi-circle of gents, chowing into their pancakes, glancing at their papers.

I climb aboard a stool.

"Coffee?"

It's Annie. Maroon tee, black slacks.

I nod, too weak to speak. All that walking — trolley, Anza Borrego, just about, then back to the trolley. I'm pooped. She comes right up with a cup and my own coffee pitcher. Love it. Soon I'm gluggin'. Coffee starts to course through my veins. That's when the Lorelei comes in. It's like Delilah cutting your hair. I'm all weak again. Can hardly hold up the big, glossy menu.

"It's always pancake time at Aunt Emma's," it says. And yes, they look good. Very *Happy Days*. Coconut pancakes go for \$4.49 short stack (3 cakes) or \$5.79 full stack (5 cakes). Oh boy. They have potato pancakes with sour cream or applesauce (\$4.49/\$5.79), peanut butter pancakes (\$4.79/\$6.29), *cajeta* crêpes (topped with *cajeta*, Mexican milk caramel, pecans, and cream, \$5.29 for two). And of course they have other stuff, like French toast (\$4.49, or \$5.29 with bacon or sausage links), eggs (two "any style" with, say, hash browns or rice and a couple of buttermilk pancakes run \$4.19), or omelets. The Californian (\$6.79) comes with sausage, avocado, and jack cheese (same sides).

"Don't forget the specials," says Annie.

Oh, right. Looks as if they have two, at \$3.49 each: two eggs any style, two pancakes, two sausages or bacon; or a two-egg omelet "any style," with two pancakes.

"You mean, I can have any omelet on the menu?"

"Sure," says Annie.

Wow. What a deal. "Ho-kay," I say. "I'll have the Californian."

"And if you want to upgrade your pancake, you can do that for \$1.25 more."

Fact is, I'd had my beady eye on the chocolate pancake (\$4.79/\$6.29 as a stand-alone), "topped with chocolate chips, powdered sugar, chocolate syrup, and whipped cream." Never imagined I could get it through the special.

"Deal," I say.

It's all as good as it sounds. The full-size omelet bulges with chopped sausage, avo, and sprinklings of cheese. Nice salsa. The chocolate pancakes look like Granny, dressed up for a hoedown.

"Syrup?"

"Of course."

"Which?"

"There's more than one?"

"Maple. Boysenberry. Apricot. Coconut."

Lady who's come to sit on my left tries not to laugh when Annie clanks all the syrups down in front of me. Melanie. She squeezes in, not with-

out difficulty. "I'm five months pregnant," she says. Turns out she's a jazz singer and karaoke sound technician. Loves Billie Holiday. Her favorite song? She gives a winning smile. " 'God Bless the Child.' "

Huh. There's a beauty in a woman when she's about to have a child. She is the universe. She is time, hope, a fragile goddess, the giver of life. She makes us males look like stagehands.

Also, Melanie's ordering something close to my heart: biscuits and gravy (\$4.39). "This is what I come here for," she says, attacking it. Must be a pregnancy craving. In what seems like two minutes flat, she's demolished the plate and left.

Man. I'm overstuffed. I've hardly looked up from the plate. But I wonder now where the Lorelei is. Oh no. She's getting up, too. She leaves without a glance back. Suddenly, the whole counter section feels empty. We're all poor pathetic drones once again, trapped in a world of newspapers and coffee.

Well, not quite.

"How was it?" says Annie.

I think about that question. And, actually, it was great. This generous place hasn't lost its '50s style. Maybe that's what makes you feel, just for a moment, like, say, the Fonz. Important.

Except the Fonz never had to walk megablocks to find *his* hangout. ■

The Place: Aunt Emma's Pancakes, 700 E Street (at Woodlawn), Chula Vista, 619-427-2722

Type of Food: American

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Real World

"Not a garden, not a lawn, not a swimming pool — a vineyard."

Victor Edwards is a student of the grape. Texts from UC Davis, *The American Journal of Enology and Viticulture*, and Vinquiry rest on a shelf in the barrel-storage room at Edwards Vineyards and Cellars in Ramona, propped up next to a binder full of *Practical Winery & Vineyard* magazines. He is always eager for new information and amazed by how much there is of it in the wine world. Oak barrels provide a good example: You want French, Hungarian, or American? American? Okay, grown where? Pennsylvania, Iowa, or Missouri? How heavy a toast? How much new? How much used? And so on.

So he was frustrated by famed viticulturist Richard Smart's visit to San Diego last summer. "I've read all his books, and the stuff he writes in magazines. He described a unilateral trellis system in an article once, and it was like the culmination of years of my own experience — I just said, 'Yes.'" (Unilateral cordons, since they don't require the pruning used to create bilateral cordons, may start producing usable fruit faster.) Edwards had hoped to learn from the master; instead he got a talk about Australian market share and site-analysis services. About grape-growing, Smart kept things general. "He said that anywhere on the Western seaboard within thirty miles of the ocean was prime grape-growing land,

because you don't get a lot of rain during the harvest season, and you get just enough of that onshore drift" from the ocean to keep things cool. "He said, 'You guys have it made here.'"

Edwards knew better. He's been growing grapes in Ramona for a dozen years and getting wine out of them since 1994. "As soon as we bought our first house," says his wife Beth, "the first thing he wanted to do was plant a vineyard. Not a garden, not a lawn, not a swimming pool — a vineyard."

That planting was highly experimental. On a quarter-acre lot, Edwards grew Carignan, Petite Sirah, and Zinfandel on three different trellising systems, and with both above- and below-ground irrigation. He learned that he couldn't water his vines enough to get them to fill out a lyre trellis and that his wife wasn't quite tall enough to get the bird netting over the top of it. He learned the importance of sun exposure; the vineyard was situated near an olive grove, and his Petite Sirah never developed the intensity he desired. And he learned that he did not "have it made" when it came to growing grapes. "Some years, we get a little bit more of that onshore drift; some years we get a little bit less. When it comes in, you can get some drizzle in September." Water that close to harvest is anathema. As the grape swells with moisture, "Your sugars start dropping, and your

acids start dropping, too. Sometimes, you're forced to pick less-than-ideal fruit."

He learned from experience that conventional wisdom — sometimes dictated by the enology experts at UC Davis, sometimes by other experts — doesn't always hold. "Carignan has always been said to be a powdery-mildew magnet. I found that it was Zinfandel — a cloud just has to pass by in September, and the Zinfandel starts growing fuzz. The Carignan doesn't go for another two weeks, and it's not epidemic. I think San Diego County is probably the better place to grow it."

Experience also taught him that Cabernet Sauvignon might succeed south of Sonoma, maybe even south of Paso Robles. "I got my '02 Cabernet from a vineyard in Rancho Santa Teresa, which is similar in terms of onshore drift. I had consulted for them, and they never paid me. Then I found out they were selling. They said, 'We have this fruit; would you like it?' I said, 'Let me come by and taste it.' Their gardener had done whatever he'd done," without paying excessive heed to Edwards' counsel, "but he'd done a pretty good job. I tasted the fruit, and I was thinking, 'This is pretty good.' Underripe Cabernet can have those bell-pepper/green-bean flavors, and this was already past that point."

"Still," he continues, "I had to get the fruit off the vines before escrow closed, which was in a month. I came by every couple of days and told the gardener whether or not to water, and I was rather pleased. I was getting some nice cherry qualities in the fruit, and I was thinking, 'This shouldn't happen,' because so much Southern



Beth and Victor Edwards

California Cabernet has that bell-pepper flavor. I've come to the conclusion that it has a lot to do with canopy management and the vigor of the vine," too much green on the vine leading to too much vegetal flavor. "This just lucked out. They sold the vineyard, and the new owners aren't quite as interested in doing what I suggest, but it encouraged me to reconsider Cabernet." That '02 is just about ready for bottling under the Edwards label, and it led to his planting Cabernet along the top of his new, commercial vineyard.

The most dramatic example of experience over education, however, might have come with his '04 Petite Sirah. "Lower down on the hill, you get a lot more of that onshore drift. The fruit was up at 23.5 brix" — brix is a measure of sugar content — "and it was hot that week. The fruit was almost ripe enough, and the heat could only help matters. I said, 'Okay, Beth, we're going to pick.' We organized a party for Saturday, but for two or three days before that, we got that onshore drift — and a little drizzle. The Petite Sirah grapes are like sponges; if you get some moisture in the

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air, they just soak it up. I told Beth the night before, 'I don't think we should pick.' She said, 'You can't do that. We've got all these people showing up! I've got the food lined up! You're crazy. Don't worry about it.'

"So I'm picking this stuff, and I'm tasting it, and it's just not doing it for me. I stopped the picking at the halfway point, and we went and crushed it up. I ran the chemistry, and it came up lacking — 22.5 brix. I freaked out, because everything I've read, everything I've been taught says that it's got to be up around 24.5–25.5. So I said, 'Okay, let's stop there. It's not going to hurt us to leave the rest of the fruit down there and see what the weather does. The next week brought a Santa Ana, so the grapes went from 22.5 to 25 in seven days.'

Edwards harvested the rest of his Petite Sirah at something close to optimal ripeness, at least by the numbers. But during the week, he'd been fermenting the first harvest and was delighted by the bright cherry aromas he found in the new wine. "I pressed it off the skins just as the second batch started to ferment, and the first batch just seemed so much nicer. The second has more raspberry and chocolate aromas; it's more earthy. And it's more voluptuous, less acidic." But for Edwards, weaned on California Cabernet and more a fan of fruit than earth in his wine, that first batch was a marvel. "You start thinking, 'Okay, maybe 22.5 brix is ripe enough.'" Though he does add, "I think the final blend will be both wines blended together." ■

RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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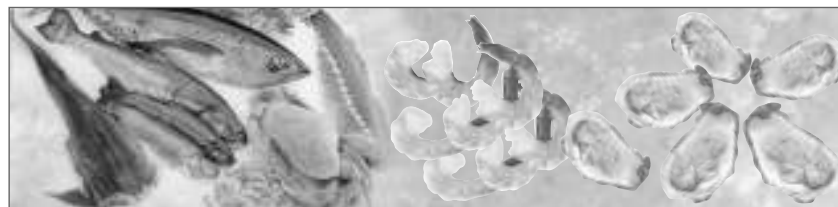
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101 Cafe 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. This is the oldest li'l eating establishment in Oceanside. Cooks have been flipping burgers here since 1928. The café is named after Route 101, the Pacific Highway. Old-timers remember when everyone from truck drivers to movie stars would stop for a bite before heading on to San Diego and Tijuana. Try the ABC (avocado, bacon, and cheese) Omelet, the 101 Original Cheeseburger with its "secret sauce," chicken fried steaks with eggs and, of course, the Great Depression dish: biscuits with gravy and home fries. Open daily, three meals until midnight. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/01)

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Big Jim's Old South Barbecue 190 North Coast Highway 101 (2 blocks north of Encinitas Boulevard), Encinitas, 760-635-1166. At this outstanding barbecue, you can "Put Some South in Yo Mouth!" The smoking-wood is mellow hickory, and each type of meat (sublime "pulled pork," smoky skewered shrimp, huge pork ribs, chicken, steak) gets individualized treatment, including a tangy Alabama-style mustard sauce for pork and chicken. (Beef gets the more familiar tomatoey Texas-style sauce.) Side dishes are superb: Don't miss the thick, smoky-sweet Brunswick stew (you'll not find its like anywhere on this coast), exemplary hush puppies, corn muffins with honey butter, well-balanced slaw... Oh, just taste everything you can fit under your belt. Lunch/dinner daily, breakfast weekends. Low moderate. — *N.W.* (10/01)

Kim's Restaurant 745 First Street, Lumberyard Shopping Center #103,

Encinitas, 760-942-4816. Both Vietnamese and Chinese dishes are offered in a calm atmosphere with quick, pleasant service. The menu lists 265 items, including 18 Vietnamese house specialties, 28 seafood dishes, and a whopping 45 vegetarian/vegan dishes, many made with *seitan* (mock poultry). The seafood isn't necessarily fresh catch—some shellfish is evidently obtained frozen, scallops are phosphate-preserved, and the reasonably priced abalone dishes involve slightly chewy, rehydrated dried abalone from Asia. On the other hand, portions are enormous, and the cooking is careful and tasty, although some flavors have evidently been adapted to American palates and ingredients. Open Tuesday through Sunday, continuous service lunch and dinner; closed Monday. Moderate. — *N.W.* (10/01)

Meritage 897 South Coast Highway 101, Lumberyard Shopping Center, Encinitas, 760-634-3350. Chef-owner Susan Sbicca creates pristine California Cuisine here, highlighting fresh (and usually organic) local produce. A few pick hits are direct imports from her Sbicca down the coast—the irresistible lobster-crabmeat croquettes and lobster-shrimp bisque are pure Del Mar deluxe. But some simpler dishes cleverly complete themselves as you eat them—salmon served with peas and mushrooms on one side and a creamy sauce on the other creates a whole new sauce when you broach the fillet. A lemon-pistachio cake, too, changes as you cut it, the pieces crumbling into a berry coulis. It's a fun way to eat, engaging the mind along with the palate. The setting is family-friendly (only well-mannered kids come here) with a handsome, airy dining room and charming patio. Wide-ranging wine list, plenty by the glass and even some half-bottles. No corkage on Tuesdays; Mondays and Wednesdays

most bottles half price. Reservations advisable. Lunch and dinner daily, bar menu ongoing. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W.* (7/03)

Palomar Airport Cafe 2162 Palomar Airport Road, Carlsbad, 760-438-9665. *Top Gun*, anyone? Chow down and choose views of planes like the 1935 Harvard, "The Texan," or the Life Flight choppers scrambling. Expect to see greats like Chuck Yeager or his buddy Lowell Williams, who still trains stunt pilots here. It's not gourmet, but it's down-to-earth solid nosh, with plenty of beer and spirits flowing. The café's sexy waitresses serve generous plate-loads of everything from breakfast burritos (scrambled eggs, onions, bell pepper, potatoes, cheese) to corned beef hash with eggs and spuds. Or lunch-wiches with quirky plane names like Almost Famous Mustang Burger (open-faced with chili) or the B-29 (turkey, Swiss cheese, Ortega chilies "melted together on grilled sourdough"). Delish. Breakfast, lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (8/03)

Sakura Bana 1031 South Coast Highway 101 (Suite A), Encinitas, 760-942-6414. One of the friendliest eateries in a friendly town, this is a sushi bar where everybody knows your name (or acts like they do). The chefs love to whip up special dishes for the many regulars at the counter, so if you're a newbie, keep an eye out for what your neighbors are eating. A blackboard lists the specials, guiding you to the day's freshest catch. Should you spot pompano on the list, get two orders—with two orders (but not if you just order one), after you've consumed the delicate raw fillets, the chefs will deep-fry the skeleton to a lacy crunchiness. If you don't feel like sushi, there are several tables, and standard Japanese appetizers and entrées are available. Lunch Tuesday through Fri-

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Sbicca American Bistro 215 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-1001. The roof garden has an unobstructed ocean view and is especially pleasant for very good American or Mexican breakfasts. Select simplest preparation for dinner: Chilean sea bass, salads, soups. Roasted half chicken best bet. Lunch Monday through Friday, dinner nightly. Brunch Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Moderate. — *E.W.* (9/98)

Swami's Cafe 1163 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-944-0612. No coincidence it's near the famous surf break and the Self-Realization Fellowship compound. You gotta love the very Encinitas vegetarian-spiritual-surfer origins. You eat surrounded by gurgling fountains, wind chimes, wheat grass racks, a rainbow-colored wind sock, and the manager's 1969 surfer van. There are plenty of standard dishes, like eggs Benedict for breakfast or black bean burrito for lunch, but the big emphasis is health. Try the protein veggie wrap, with avocado, feta cheese, tofu, and mole, or the Indian curry with tofu. Open "7-ish to 4-ish" daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B.* (3/04)

NORTH INLAND

Bernard'O Restaurant 12457 Rancho Bernardo Road, Rancho Bernardo Village Shopping Center, 858-487-7171. Ambiance excels here at one of the prettiest restaurants in the county. High ceilings, tall arched windows, rose-cream walls, fireplaces, and charming Gallic paintings make for an eye-fel, and on many nights a harpist plays show tunes. The cuisine mingles French classics (mussels with *frites*, crumb-coated rack

of lamb, etc.) with daily specials offering seasonal Cal-Mediterranean cooking. These dishes seem a little less adventurous than in days of yore, but this is still a place for a gracious meal in a superb surrounding. Lunch Wednesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Expensive. — *N.W.* (6/04)

Dicrescenzo's 11627 Duenda Road (off W. Bernardo Drive), Rancho Bernardo, 858-487-2776. This is a stand-in-line, order-at-the-counter, grab-a-table, listen-for-your-order-number kind of a place. If you're looking for pampering and atmosphere, this isn't gonna cut it. If you're wanting yummy Italian comfort food to eat in or take out, this the spot. The bread alone is worth a trip. Real, flaky, honest-to goodness French rolls complement pastas and salads or encase meatballs, eggplant parmesan, or deli meats. The meatballs, a Di-Crescenzo family recipe, are unusually moist and tender, perfectly seasoned. The subs—especially Rocco's Imperial Sub—are packed with deli goodies and just enough Italian dressing. Thin crust pizzas are a popular treat. Open Monday through Saturday, lunch to early dinner. Inexpensive. — *S.M.* (10/03)

The Fireside 439 West Washington Avenue (at Centre City Parkway), Escondido, 760-745-1931. The Fireside bills itself as "North County's Finest Steak House." It also seems to be the area's community center, a rambling building with a karaoke bar, nightclub, poolroom, and meeting rooms for many lodges. The dining room is large and lovely, plush and quiet, with soft lighting, a freestanding central fireplace, and seating in cushy booths. The menu is part steakhouse, part 1975 French Continental—think duck à l'orange, tournedos rossini, breaded rack of lamb—by now, these are American comfort foods. Steaks and roast beef are juicy USDA

Choice cooked to your preference. The simpler appetizers and side dishes are mainly more successful than the fancy choices. Dinners include house-made soup or salad. Bargains include weeknight twilight dinners, weeknight prix fixe dinner for two, and à la carte sides for just a pittance. Good handicap access. Casual-dressy atmosphere; full bar. Lunch and dinner seven days. Moderate. — *N.W.* (9/03)

The French Market Grille 15717 Bernardo Heights Parkway, San Diego, 858-485-8055. Ambience is served in generous portions at this romantic establishment with elegant indoor dining or a charming garden setting. The wine list has over 50 selections, including several available by the glass, and the varied menu offers Gallic dishes of duck, lamb, fish, veal, frog legs, and more. Most dishes are served with the usual French cuisine sauces, but if you're dieting, they'll gladly omit sauce. Ingredients and execution of the entrées can be inconsistent (e.g., some nights the fish is overcooked or the meat is tough, other nights they're fine) but the crab-cake appetizer is always outstanding. Save room for dessert, especially the excellent crème brûlée. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *S.M.* (11/03)

Hernandez' Hide-Away 19320 Lake Drive (off Del Dios Highway), Escondido, 760-746-1444. The founder of Hernandez' claims he invented the margarita at his previous restaurant in Bird Rock. True or not, the margaritas (rocks, not slush-ee) are terrific, on a par with Baja's best. The food, though, is detuned for gringos, with a standard menu of Cal-Mex specialties. Even the guacamole is underseasoned, but if you like this sort of thing, a pleasant "tamale pie" is as good as any Midwestern mom's. The huge bargain-priced brunch on Saturdays and Sundays brings in the crowds;

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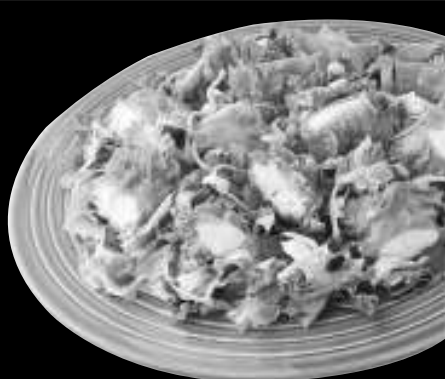
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Mille Fleurs 6009 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-756-3085. One of the area’s top destination restaurants, Bertrand Hug’s beautiful room with beautiful food draws “the beautiful people” — Hollywood honchos, high-end high school graduation parties, and a steady influx of rarefied Rancho Santa Fe residents flaunting huge twinkling rocks. The daily-changing menu sports first-rate modern French cuisine (with a few German touches) by long-time chef Martin Woesle. Order at will — everything’s flawless. The menu’s most exciting on weeknights, when crowds are sparser and the the kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but ex-orbitant even at the bottom. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Reservations a must. Very, very expensive. — *N.W. (5/01)*

GOLD COAST

Beach House 2530 South Coast Highway 101 (at Lomas Santa Fe), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-1321. This beautiful restaurant with its breezy seafront patio is a branch of an upscale beach mini-chain (others are in Dana Point and Laguna Beach). Its main menu features steaks, seafood, and some “Continental” warhorses (lobster thermidor, et al) that are best avoided. The view is even more spectacular from the upstairs “Top of the House” which features pub grub

and fish in a lighthouse-like setting. On Sundays, local families flock in for the moderately priced à la carte champagne brunch featuring the standard dishes of the genre plus some less-successful fancied-up ones, with endless Freixenet champagne. Whatever the meal, stay simple here — burgers, steak, unfussy eggs — and enjoy the atmosphere. Reserve for a view table or outdoor seating at Sunday brunch. Full bar but few wines. \$2 valet parking. Restrooms accessible by elevator, may be tight fit for wider wheelchairs. Daily brunch/lunch and dinner. “Top of the House” serves until 11 p.m. nightly; “early bird” cut-price dinners weeknights. Brunch moderate, dinner moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (7/03)*

Charlie’s by the Sea 2565 South Highway 101, Cardiff-by-the-Sea (a long block south of the stoplight), 760-942-1300. This seaside spot offers a blissful patio right on the breakwater and a terrific, authentic Boston-style clam chowder to match the view — it’s light, creamy, and loaded with clams, unpeeled red potato chunks, and bits of honey-cured bacon. The kitchen’s good with simple dishes, including fresh raw oysters and the lively “Bayou Burger” with Cajun seasonings and well-made spicy fries. The dinner menu includes more ambitious items, but the weekly main event here is Sunday brunch, with a menu of standard brunch dishes at affordable prices, featuring endless refills of champagne. (Hint: Veuve Clicquot it’s not.) Huge wine list, full bar. Free valet parking. Brunch reservations advisable. Open daily, lunch or brunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (9/03)*

Le Bambou 2634 Del Mar Heights Road, Del Mar, 858-259-8138. Nouvelle Vietnamese cuisine is prepared here that’s fresh, light, delicate. But the por-

tions are small and two people should order three entrées for a satisfactory meal. Soups are outstanding and the imperial rolls, lemon grass chicken, soft-shelled crab, vegetarian rolls, and char-broiled pork do well here. The wine list includes 40 items. Fast service and aesthetic surroundings. Lunch Tuesday to Friday; dinner Tuesday to Sunday; closed Monday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W.*

LA JOLLA

Forever Fondue 1295 Prospect Street #201, La Jolla, 858-551-4509. Also at 6110 Friars Road, Mission Valley, 619-295-7792. Once every thirty years, a person should experience the novelty of fondue. Forever Fondue offers patrons the opportunity to cook or dip a variety of food items in a shared pot at their own table, accompanying the morsels with six different but universally disappointing sauces. Ambiance is minimal, other than the harsh chemical spray that bussers use for cleaning vacated tables. Dessert, however, is yummy — you can’t miss with anything dipped in chocolate. The restaurant is clean and the staff friendly, although service can be extremely slow. Mediocre wine choices. Seating space is limited so reservations are recommended. Open daily for dinner. Moderately priced. — *S.M. (2/04)*

Fresh Seafood Restaurant 1044 Wall Street (at Herschel), La Jolla, 858-551-7575. The fare is mainly fishy and the room is truly dishy, with lots to look at — the open kitchen, floor-to-ceiling sculptures, street-patio scene, or the decolleté of the date dresses among the younger half of the crowd. The older half shows up in business suits, whatever their gender. Here you’ll find that Chef

Matthew Zappoli’s seafood creations and lush sauces live up to the restaurant’s name, although reined in enough to keep from scaring business-suited palates. Fish not your dish? Meats and poultry are of fine quality, too. Save room for the hazelnut mocha mousse cake, so sensual it should be X-rated. Good wine buys in Sauvignon Blancs and “interesting whites.” Dinner reservations a must. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (7/03)*

Marrakesh 634 Pearl Street (at Draper), La Jolla, 858-454-2500. The North African fare of Morocco is like no other in the world — influenced by Arab cuisines, but more intense and sheerly hedonistic. At our sole Moroccan restaurant, the fare is arranged into a nightly five-course prix fixe feast, with superb lentil soup (*harira*), a salad plate, *bastilla* (a chicken-filled filo pie), an entrée, and finally mint tea poured from on high to accompany almond baklava perfumed with orange-flower water. The setting and service are dramatic — tented ceilings, low banquette seating at carved round tables, belly-dancing interludes, servers in fezzes. (You’re the Sheik of Araby.) A short list of entrées (a maximum of two choices per table, to be shared) features fine chicken (or lamb) with olives and preserved lemons; moist, fatless duck; lamb with couscous; and rather dry fish. On quiet weeknights, you can request the dreamy lamb with honey, an extravaganza that includes fruits, almonds, sesame, and cinnamon. Dinner nightly, reserve for weekends. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

Nathan’s at Michele Coulon’s 7556 Fay Avenue, Suite D, La Jolla, 858-456-5098. Fans of The Belgian Lion, a San Diego institution for over 20 years that closed in 2001, can rejoice. Nathan Coulon, grandson of Belgian Lion founders Don and Arlene Coulon, has

stepped into his mother Michele’s kitchen to resurrect many of the Lion’s signature dishes: *cassoulet*, *steak au poivre*, *poulet Normande*. He’s also added a few of Grandpa’s that never made it onto the menu — try the baby spinach gratin — and now and then slips in something of his own. Ingredients are often first rate and sourced from good local growers. Growing up in the old restaurant’s kitchen has taught him well; the *poulet Normande* is one of those deceptively simple dishes that surprises you with its perfection. Thoughtful and affordable wine list. Dinner Thursday through Saturday only. Expensive to very expensive. — *A.M. (6/04)*

Piatti Ristorante 2182 Avenida de la Playa, La Jolla Shores, La Jolla, 858-454-1589. Whether you sit inside to enjoy the warm, rustic decor or outside under the giant ficus tree listening to the fountain, you’re in for a treat at this secluded restaurant. Meals begin with crunchy corn-studded *ciabatta* and spicy balsamic dipping sauce, but don’t fill up too soon: the appetizers and salads are varied and tasty. All pastas are house-made and served with lively, unusual sauces, including *penne agnello*, a treat for lamb aficionados. Lemon-herbed rotisserie chicken, wood-fired pizzas, veal *picatta*, and *bistecca* (a grilled rib-eye steak) round out the entrées. Portions are generous, so pace yourself if you’re planning to have one of their house-made desserts. Lunch and dinner weekdays; brunch and dinner Saturdays and Sundays. Moderate. — *S.M. (7/04)*

Roy’s 8670 Genesee Avenue, Costa Verde Center (across from UTC), La Jolla, 858-455-1616. Our own noisy outpost of top Hawaii chef Roy Yamaguchi’s ever-expanding chain has elements of both “top chef” and “chain” about it. Decoding Roy’s Rules of Ordering can make the difference between a mediocre

dinner and a very happy meal: 1. Steer clear of combination platters — the same dishes come off much better when ordered separately; 2. You can get any element of a combo (including the yummy off-menu ahi poke) by asking for it; 3. Don’t waste your palate (or money) on weak umbrella drinks when the wine list is brilliant. The menu changes daily, but some frequent tasty choices are potstickers, *lumpia*, “Kahana” *shutome* (sword-fish), or chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the raucous bar. Open nightly. Very expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

Zenbu 7660 Fay Avenue (at Kline Street), La Jolla, 858-454-4540. It was a natural for fisherman-restaureteur Matt Rimel to open a sushi bar-fish house, featuring sparkling fresh catch, much of it from his own boats. Sashimi and the simpler sushi are better here than the big party rolls, which can be lunkish. Don’t miss the sashimi of live local *uni* (sea urchin) served on its shell most week-ends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood, sometimes in almost goofily elaborate preparations. No reservations; 30-minute wait likely on week-ends. Sushi bar is up a short staircase; dining room and patio tables are wheelchair accessible. Several vegetarian choices. Full bar, good sake list. Dinner nightly. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (6/01)*

MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

Korea House 4620 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-0080. Korea House offers floor seating or a table if you want to barbecue your own food.

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Nijiya Market 3860 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you’re not willing to sacrifice quality for convenience when eating fast food, try this Japanese market in Kearny Mesa. Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or *bento*, that are pretty to look at, appetizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, passing by Nijiya’s steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you’ll find delicious chicken cutlets, fresh sushi, and chilled noodles, as well as dessert delicacies like sweet bread roll filled with sweet bean paste. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (8/99)*

Pampas Argentine Grill 8690 Aero Drive (at Montgomery Field), Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. The Argentine specialties feature grilled grass-fed beef, including a somewhat Americanized version of the *gauchos’* great *parillada mixta* (mixed grill), with a great chorizo but minus any exotic organs. The naturally raised meats are lower fat and lower cholesterol than feed-lot beef but are salted heavily in the kitchen unless you request otherwise. Specify rare or medium-rare, unless you really like brown cardboard. Lighter fare includes free-range chicken and fresh, well-treated seafood. Beef empanadas are a

tasty, authentic starter. Potatoes (fries and mashed) are splendid, salads are exuberant. The full bar features Chilean and Argentine beverages with many affordable South American wines by the glass. Park in lot at restaurant’s front door, not the back-door lot. Lunch (mainly sandwiches) on weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/02)*

Prego Hazard Center, 1370 Frazee Road (at Friars), Mission Valley, 619-294-4700. In a stylish North Italian restaurant set in a come-as-you-are mall, a million-dollar renovation at the turn of our century has turned down the noise level to match the pleasing, easy-going North Italian cooking. Good starters include the antipasto platter, sparkling salads, and yeasty, fresh-baked rosemary-garlic bread (actually a mini-pizza crust). Pastas (many featuring fresh seafood) are nearly perfect, but risotto can be risky. Entrées are mainly simple grilled or rotisserie meats and fish. Service is warm and well informed. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

Seau’s Mission Valley Center mall, 1640 Camino del Rio North (next to Robinsons-May), Mission Valley, 619-291-7328. Footballer Junior Seau contributes more to San Diego than just sacks. His extravagant multivenue sports pub is major league fun — a real-life reincarnation of some 1960s McLuhanite media art show, with 70 video screens (ranging from large-normal to giant HDTV) running sportscasts and a professional DJ on high, periodically spinning cool sounds over muted talking heads. The menu offers mainstream “something for everyone” choices, including pizza, hefty but so-so burgers, some elementary sushi, all-American entrées, and Seau’s family recipe of Samoan teriyaki “plate lunch.” Above all, there’s pub grub. The chicken wings are pretty

good, and you can get all three sauces (Buffalo, BBQ, and Asian) on one order. Perfect hangout for mismatched couples with one sports fan and one fashionista (the latter can head for Nordstrom and Saks discount outlets nearby). On game days, patrons are allowed just one game in the dining room (\$15 minimum), but you can linger from wake-up to closing on the patio or in the bar. Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (1/03)*

Sheila’s Cafe & Bakery 4577 Clairemont Drive (Wilson Plaza), Clairemont, 858-270-0251. A “Glatt Kosher,” a non-dairy Orthodox Jewish restaurant and bakery with a mission. Sheila was determined to create food observant Jews could eat without worrying — from Italian to Mexican to ribs to fried chicken to lactose-free cheesecakes — and that everybody else wouldn’t know was different. The result: a menu stretching from chicken soup with matzoh balls to standards like hamburgers and even Sunday prime rib dinners. You don’t need a *yarmulke* to feel comfortable here, but it’s comforting to know everything down to the least lettuce leaf has received extra-careful preparation. You’ll find Sheila’s breads and pastries at supermarkets all around town. Lunch and dinner Monday through Thursday, lunch Friday, dinner Sunday (closed Saturday, of course). Moderate to slightly expensive. — *E.B. (11/01)*

THE BEACHES

Alfiere Sheraton Harbor Island, West Tower, 1590 Harbor Island Drive, Harbor Island, 619-692-2778. Sophisticated, deluxe Italian/Mediterranean cuisine takes center stage in a handsome, view-endowed dining room decorated in a “Venetian Carnival” theme.

In a menu that follows the seasons, San Francisco-born Chef Antonio Friscia proves he’s capable of brilliance. His thin-skinned ravioli stuffed with marinated braised short ribs shouldn’t be missed, and his goose foie gras on *ciabatta crostini* is divinely playful. Traditional dishes take on new life, too: The house “antipasta” (of marinated vegetables and top-quality Italian deli meats) is everything you’d hope for, while house-made pesto gnocchi float off the plate. Some dishes are invariably less successful, but boredom will not be a problem — this is nothing like “hotel food.” The Italian/Californian wine list emphasizes lesser-known Italian reds. Daily, three meals. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (5/02)*

Baleen Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingham Street), Mission Bay, 858-490-6364. Take a quick trip to chic Miami at the local branch of Florida’s famed new resort restaurant. Whimsical tropical decor features a monkey motif (carved in the chandeliers, peeking from the paintings) and mambos play on the speakers. But the unlisted prices for chilled shellfish may make a monkey of you unless you ask before you buy. The menu features high-quality seafood and land creatures in refined renditions, including gorgeous lobster bisque, salmon with a clever hummus crust, herbed sea bass, and a hunk of free-range veal. Servers are charmers. The wine list is long and rather steep at the bottom end with better values farther up the range. Reservations recommended. Very expensive. — *N.W. (12/00)*

The Bar-B-Que House 5025 Newport Street, Ocean Beach, 619-222-4311. OB’s piling in, and for good reason: the chicken and ribs are smoked on an oakwood fire, then charbroiled. Beef, pork, and ham spend

eight to ten hours in the smoker. Of course, they have pork (but not beef) ribs. A good-value combo is the Southern-Style sandwich — beef, pork, ham, or chicken with coleslaw inside, along with a sauce that’s just right: sweet, tangy, spicy. Most original idea? A BBQ burrito with meat, baked beans, coleslaw, and sauce wrapped in a flour tortilla. Open seven days, breakfast through dinner; till 10 p.m. weeknights; 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/04)*

Humphrey’s by the Bay 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island, 619-224-3577. Most diners at this resort/concert venue restaurant eat at the prix-fixe pre-show dinners because they guarantee good seats for the concerts at the next-door amphitheatre. They’re missing the best food, which emerges once the music-mavens leave the premises. The kitchen features top-quality seafood, juicy meats, and prime steaks with lively, seasonal veggie garnishes. Reserve for show-nights or to snare a window table with a gorgeous marina view. Open daily breakfast through dinner; brunch buffet weekends. Reservations strongly advised. Pre-show prix fixe moderate, à la carte high-moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (11/01)*

Kono’s 704 Garnet Avenue (on the boardwalk), Pacific Beach, 858-483-1669. This inside-outside café is your prototypical California surfer hangout. It’s cream and green with maroon canvas window canopies, red-painted make-believe shutters, and three surfboards sprouting through the roof. On weekends, lines of tourists come looking for their California fix. But Kono’s is known among locals, too, for generous breakfasts. Check out their PBS: Pancakes, Bacon and Scrambled eggs. Or the breakfast sandwich with

eggs, bacon, cheese, and tomato on a toasted English muffin. Or the CB Burger (chicken breast, green chili, and pica sauce). Best time: foggy mornings. Chow down on their patio on the pier while you enjoy a birds-eye view of surfers appearing out of the mists below. Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/00)*

Mardi Gras Cafe 3185 Midway Drive (near Rosecrans and East Street, in mini-mall with a 7-11, across the street from Godfather Pizza), Loma Portal, 619-223-5501. The Creole cooking at this café/grocery, to eat in, take out, or have catered for your next party, is sound and tasty, if deliberately underseasoned (just add salt and hot sauce to taste). You can also buy the real and rare ingredients from the freezer, deli case, and grocery shelves, including Cajun *tasso* (spiced ham), *boudin blanc* (rice sausage) and crawfish sausage. Daily brunch through early dinner. No alcohol, everything available for take-out. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (2/01)*

MZM Seacoast Bistro 875 Seacoast Drive, Imperial Beach, 619-424-5800. If you can make it past the bland exterior, you’ll discover a well-disguised classy joint inside. A harbinger of a new I.B.? Interior is all peach-colored walls, trendy blue scone wall lights, tweedy booths, and photos of owners Marek and Zofia Migdalski with people like President Bush, Lloyd Bentsen, Sam Donaldson, and Joan Kroc. Migdalski is a recognized private chef who has decided to put I.B. on the gastronomic map. Breakfasts tend to be simple but sophisticated, like frittata with Polish sausage, prime rib steak and eggs, or scrambled eggs with smoked salmon. Burgers at lunch are often lamb sirloin. Dinner can be anything, including New York steak or potato-crust Pacific red

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Olive Cafe 805 Santa Clara Place, Mission Beach, 858-488-1224. What else can you say but “charming”? This Turkish-run alley bungalow-turned-café has an outside deck where nearly everybody eats and lingers over Turkish coffee. Weekends, the Turkish community comes and makes the place feel like a Mediterranean outpost. There’s plenty of surfer food (surf’s a block away), but the most interesting breakfast is the one the Turks eat: Mediterranean Breakfast, with kasseri and feta cheeses, olives, tomatoes, cucumber, Turkish rose jam, and a French roll. For lunch, there’s the usual spread of burritos, burgers, and melts, but see specials like *kofte*, Turkish mini-burgers in a baguette, or *lahmajun*, thin Turkish-style pizzas. Can you find the Blue Eye, guarding patrons from evil spirits? Breakfast and lunch. Open daily except in winter, when it’s closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

Sapporo Japanese Restaurant 5049 Newport Avenue (by the pier), Ocean Beach, 619-222-6686. It’s small, but Sapporo has big deals, particularly the lunch specials that usually give you a miso soup, salad, and a combo such as chicken teriyaki and California rolls and white rice — all presented like a piece of performance art. Other specials include *yaki soba* (stir-fried sautéed chicken, vegetables, and noodles) and *champon* noodle soup (*udon* noodles, scallops, shrimp, vegetables), and the value-packed Chicken Bowl — a big plate of sliced chicken, broccoli, other vegetables, and a swag of rice. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/01)

CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

Asia Cafe 4710 Market Street (at 47th Street), Chollas View, 619-527-1917. May be Asian San Diego’s best-kept secret. You have to look behind the smog shop at this all-Laotian shopping center to find it. The menu’s Southeast Asian, but the owner — and most of the conversation around you — is Lao. Lao dishes include the famous *larb-kai* (chicken salad with hot peppers, lemon grass, and sticky rice). Good regional alternatives: *bamee* (egg noodle) roasted pork soup, Crying Tiger (ground beef salad with vegetables), Duck Head BBQ, and *lard nar* (seafood, beef, or pork with sloppy wide noodles and vegetables). Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (10/01)

Huffman’s Bar-B-Que 5039 Imperial Avenue (at Euclid Avenue), Chollas View, 619-264-3115. This café has a huge multigenerational following, some famous — check out their wall photos, in which Jesse Jackson and Muhammad Ali are just two — and some not so famous. The big draw is Huffman’s fabulous Southern soul food. Try their gravy-smothered fried chicken served with collard greens, yellow peppers, red beans, rice, and white mopping-up bread, or their Louisiana Creole gumbo, thick with crab, shrimp, links, ham, and chicken. Other fine eats include the catfish sandwich and half-pound rib tips. Open daily, lunch and dinner, to 11 p.m. weekdays, 3 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Nate’s Deli 3120 Euclid Avenue, City Heights, 619-284-0206. This deli-café is in City Farmers’ Nursery, the one with sheep, geese, Clyde the horse and a mini forest in the middle of town. The late Nate was the father of owner Bill Tall, and this deli was his dream. (Nate died just before opening.) Try appetizers like smoked salmon, or “Kishka,” a spicy wrapped filling, hot with brown gravy, or the grilled chicken fillet salad. But really, sandwiches are “it” here, and huge, and you can choose your cheeses, breads, and condiments as the sandwich-making proceeds. Go for, say, beef bologna, pastrami, liverwurst, salami, or vegetarian, then take it out to the eatin’ deck, and check out the wild life. Town’s a block and a world away. Breakfast to early dinner six days; closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (9/03)

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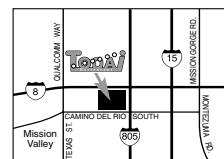
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FAR EAST

La Casa Del Zorro Borrego Springs Drive (Rte. 73) (five miles south of Palm Canyon Drive at Yaqui Pass Road), Borrego Springs, 760-767-5523. La Casa Del Zorro is Borrego Springs' most renowned and ambitious restaurant, set in a deluxe resort five miles south of town. (Drive through the parking lots until you reach the fenced swimming pool; the restaurant's small, dimly marked door is just to the left.) The California Cuisine menu offers elaborate seafood appetizers (out here in the desert) and entrées with fine, subtle sauces, fresh veggies from nearer the coast, and rather mild-flavored, exquisitely ten-

The Olde Homestead Fudge Factory The Center, 590 Palm Canyon Drive (north side of the street), Borrego Springs, 760-767-7782. The Fudge Factory's greatest dish is not what it's named for, and some of its pick hits aren't fudge, either. Of the 24 flavors of housemade fudge, barely a half dozen are available on any given day. The chocolate walnut is especially delicious, but the real masterpiece is the "date shake" — a cold quaff that's ambrosial on a hot afternoon. Then, too, a former pastry chef of the famed La Casa Del Zorro provides trays and trays of delicate pastries, and this is one of the few spots in town with an espresso machine. Open 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/03)

UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

Arrividerci Italian Restaurant 3845
Fourth Street, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282.
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strada or little cozy corner as in *Moon-
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bumping chairs. Think dining car on a
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close to the next table. Lunch and dinner
daily. Moderate. — E.B. (7/04)

Extraordinary Desserts 2929 Fifth Avenue (at Palm), uptown, 619-294-7001. The desserts here do live up to the name, whether you gobble them on the spot on the patio of this charming café or buy them to take home. Owner Karen Krasne's pastries are created with strict French techniques with flavors inspired by the global reach of her travels, from the rice fields of Bali to the *souks* of Morocco. The white cakes are true food for angels — ethereal and

Hob Nob Hill 2271 First Avenue (at Juniper Street), Banker's Hill, 619-239-8176. It opened in 1944 as a 14-stool lunch counter. Now, you sweep in under the maroon canopy to shiny red booth seats, deep blue carpet, blond wood, paintings, and a half-wall of wine. You're thinking "business class," but don't be fooled. We're talking coffeshop prices, especially with the all-day breakfasts and sandwiches, not to mention the burgers with a salad tossed in. It's across the street from a retirement condo complex and at dinner, says the owner, "We cater to seniors." While there are à la carte choices, affordable three-course prix fixe dinners (with a regular entrée for each day of the week, Mom-style) are the order of the day — e.g., tasty barbecued pork on Saturdays, roast lamb or turkey Sundays. Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.B. (10/01)*

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Kazumi Sushi 3975 Fifth Avenue (at Washington), Suite 120, Hillcrest, 619-682-4054. A simple neighborhood sushi bar offering imaginative rolls, each one so distinctively seasoned that there's no need to mar the pretty fish-scapes with wasabi dip. The fish is super-fresh and includes salmon that Kazumi-san cold-smokes himself. For a family-style dinner, "The Ultimate Boat" (serving two or more) is an encyclopedia of Japanese specialties, a huge platter of sushi, gyoza, assorted appetizers, yakitori, teriyaki, and terrific tempura. Need comfort food? The tempura also graces the top of a satisfying bowl of *nabeyaki udon* (noodle soup) with an onion-sweet broth. With just a small staff of family members in the kitchen and house, expect a wait for food at busy times. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (10/00)

The Parkhouse Eatery 4574 Park Boulevard (at Madison), University Heights, 619-295-7275. A small house provides a charming setting for dining. The eclectic menu is prepared with average competence. You can make a meal from the list of appetizers. Open weekdays three meals, weekends for brunch and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W. (10/99)

Picasso Spanish Restaurant 3923 Fourth Avenue (near University Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-3061. Interesting Spanish tapas and entrées are served in a small, modern, art-filled room that draws a casual neighborhood crowd. The regional style is Basque, from Northern Spain, but these aren't the tiny *pinxos* of that area — in fact, these bites are larger than usual, sized generously for two eaters. Some top tapas include chicken-stuffed *empanadillas*, baby eels in garlic sauce, stuffed greenlip mussels, and an outstanding paella (available as both a tapa and entrée). A bargain-price bottomless pitcher of the house's workmanly sangria (made with Livingston Cellars Burgundy) is the patrons' favorite beverage. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (6/01)

Whole Foods Market 711 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-294-2800. For vegetarians on the go, Whole Foods' prepared food section will feed you better — and faster — than any vegetarian restaurant in town. Outstanding selections include green chili and cheese polenta; Emerald Mushrooms salad or Rapid Dragon greens, both with a sweet surprise of raspberry jam; and, especially, their *farofa* salad, like American stuffing, but it's couscous studded with almonds, fat raisins, thin strips of scrambled egg, and bits of carrot and bell pepper. Whole Foods' vegetarian meals will tempt any meat-eater with their delicious originality. La Jolla branch at 8825 Villa La Jolla Drive, 619-642-6700. Inexpensive to moderate. — M.N. (4/99)

DOWNTOWN

Acqua Al 2 322 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-230-0382. Despite its monicker, this isn't a seafood trattoria, but a near-fishless branch of a restaurant in Florence that won success by eschewing the standard Florentine menu while maintaining Tuscan purity of style. Chef-owner Martin Gonzales trained there and serves as charming host of the local outpost. Best bets are the vegetarian pasta and rice dishes made with aromatic porcini mushrooms. The tasting of five pastas may sound tempting, but they're chef's choice — and he tends to choose the dull ones. "Tastings" of salads, cheeses, and desserts are also offered. Mains are mainly rather plain. Moderate (pasta) to expensive. — N.W. (11/00)

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The Blarney Stone 510 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-233-8519. This handsome establishment, made of dark wood from the Emerald Isle, includes a large, good-looking separate dining room that opens when the dining public forms a critical mass, or around 8 p.m. Like most local Irish pubs, the menu is mainly American and gringo-Mex snack foods, including an "Irish quesadilla" (corned beef and cheese on a flour tortilla). The three wannabe Celtic dishes are in different corned beef and cabbage, "steak Kildare" (a tough, mushroom-smothered rib eye), and "fish and chips Liffey," which aren't noticeably different from, say, fish and chips "Thames" or "Afton" or even "Missouri." Open daily. Inexpensive to low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Buon Appetito 1609 India Street, Little Italy, 619-238-9880. At the chic, art-filled fourth branch of a chain that started with Hillcrest's Arrividerci, the bill of fare combines the pick hits of the mother-ship and of Encinitas cousin-restaurant I Trulli. The menu calls the cuisine "Nouvelle Italian," blending traditional and trendy Mediterranean ingredients. Seasonal specials change monthly. Most appetizers and pastas are fine (entrées often less so), but the

kitchen can be hasty, turning out hard-centered risotto or burnt seafood. Winners include antipasto, quail with lentils, and wine-braised rabbit in the style of the Italian Alps. Desserts are mainly weighty. Wine list is an affordable treat, highlighting mysterious Italian grape varieties from small-scale bottlers; the adept staff can help you choose one to match your order. Euro-pop plays loudly inside; noise-sensitive may prefer patio tables. Lunch and dinner daily (with break between); open until 11 p.m. on weekends. Moderate to expensive. — N.W. (5/04)

Buster's Beach House and Long-board Bar 807 West Harbor Drive, East Plaza, Seaport Village, 619-233-4300. There really is a Buster, a surfer who traveled the world working in restaurants. Baja, Oahu, Fiji, Naples, Ocho Rios, Phuket — you name it, there's a dish from each of those waters, and every one of them ethnically incorrect. The menu's actually an international anthology of surfer-bar grub — and like Waimea Bay's waves, it has huge ups and downs. Skip the greasy "Short Board" pupu platter and risky daily fish special and go for the well-seasoned crab cakes, shark tacos, spicy "paella" (more like jambalaya), or pizza. The surfy, fun decor and breezy patio easily compensate for some of the spiciest service in town; a full bar offers a great beer list and decent umbrella drinks. To snag a patio table, reserve it and make sure they write it down. Three hours validated parking, kid-friendly, plenty for vegetarians.

Open three meals daily. Prices cover the waterfront. — N.W. (7/03)

Croce's Restaurant and Jazz Bar 802 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-233-4355. If you enjoy premises with doors open to the street and nightly jazz in the adjoining room, try Croce's. The chef prepares excellent appetizers, pastas, salads, and entrées. Menus change seasonally. Outdoor as well as indoor seating. Nightly jazz. Dinner only. Moderate to expensive. — E.W.

El Carrito 2154 Logan Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-702-4806. It's called "El Carrito" — "The Streetcar" — for a reason. This gem was one of San Diego's fleet of trolleys that trundled around the city for 60 years from 1889. When the city opted to tarmac over the rails in 1948, a local family rescued this car and turned it into an eatery. Today it is little changed. The menu is old-fashioned Mexican, with breakfasts like ranchero-style eggs, rice, and beans; *bistek a la plancha con huevos* (grilled steak with fried eggs, rice, and frijoles); good pork chops; and the Big Three: *caldo de rez* (beef soup), *pozole* (meat and hominy), and *menudo*, the famous tripe soup hangover reliever. Three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (6/04)

The Field Irish Pub and Restaurant 544 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-232-9840. This spirited, colorful saloon, physically transported whole-hog from the Ould Sod, offers delicious Irish music live most nights, and also attempts serious Irish cooking — with some suc-

cesses. Try the lovely herb-rich Irish stew, or the boxty, potato crêpes rolled around your choice from a variety of fillings (salmon, beef, etc.). Or start the day here with a huge, carnivorous Irish breakfast. Open daily. Low moderate. — N.W. (4/01)

Lou and Mickey's 224 Fifth Avenue (between K and L), Gaslamp, 619-237-4900. The onetime ornate Royale Brasserie across from the Convention Center finally had to bow to conventional tastes and simplify into a fifties-style steak-and-seafood house. Kings Seafood is still the owner, so the fish quality remains fine. The fare is simple, with minimal sauce or garnish; vegetables cost extra, coming in large portions but merely adequate preparations. Best dishes include "BBQ Shrimp, Man-ales' Style," a buttery, spicy New Orleans extravaganza (available as starter or entrée), and the huge, juicy rib-eye "Cow-boy Steak." Valet parking at door. Wraparound heated dining patio. Noisy in dining room near bar; request "Nude Room" for quiet. For interesting wines at good prices, look into "Adventures" sections of the list. Dinner nightly, week-ends until 11 p.m. Fish moderate, meats expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

Patty's Fruitland 1789 National Avenue (at Beardsley), Barrio Logan, 619-239-3085. Patty used to sell fresh fruit drinks outside a church in Guana-juato. In 1994 she came to America and married Jose. "Why can't we sell fruit drinks in America?" she wondered. Now

they've opened a place where you can get combos like the *pico de gallo* (rooster's beak) with lots of fresh-sliced fruit and raw veggies (jicama, cucumber), all dusted with cayenne pepper. They've expanded to nonfruit (roast beef and other sandwiches, shrimp tostadas, hot dogs), but the fruit and juices define the place. The most tempting: fruit salad with cottage cheese, granola, and honey. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Saturday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

Pokez Mexican Restaurant and Vegetarian Cuisine 947 E Street (at Tenth Avenue), downtown, 619-702-7160. Rafael — his buddies call him Rafa — started this cool student/artist hangout years ago when he was 18. Lunchtime business people come here. Evenings, seems like it's all Rafa's friends: people from downtown, Golden Hill, City College. The food is mostly Mexican vegetarian (though he's got meaty things like chicken or steak ranchero or sautéed chicken fajitas). Tip well: the servers volunteer and share the take from the gravy pot. Three meals weekdays; closes earlier on weekends. — E.B. (12/01)

Sadaf 828 Fifth Avenue (at E Street), Gaslamp, 619-338-0008. Vegetarian-friendly. Quiet and relaxed weeknights, the room becomes an ear-splitting mob scene weekends (even before the restaurant goes disco at 9:30). The hearty but sophisticated Persian fare centers on well-marinated kebabs and herb-rich stews, served with various savory rice dishes. There's excellent spinach *borani*, sieved yogurt relish with cucumbers, lamb chop kebabs, and a vibrant, sweet-sour *fesenjan* (pomegranate-walnut sauce with chicken). But the Gaslamp branch's kitchen is wildly inconsistent,

e.g., your *fesenjan* dumped on dry kebabs instead of mingling with simmered poultry. Desserts are always dreamy — try rosewater ice cream and/or pudding, or *bamieh*, a delicate ladyfinger soaked in (what else?) rosewater syrup. Moderate. — N.W. (12/00)

Taka 555 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-338-0555. The seafood at this always-packed sushi bar and Japanese appetizer-restaurant is top quality. *Ama ebi* (sweet shrimp) from the live tank go down soft and silky smooth, unlike their frozen brethren. And the chefs are highly skilled: the well-seasoned rice is freshly made all evening, and for once the spicy scallop hand roll has scallops, mayo, cucumber, and hot pepper running all the way through, not just plopped on top. Savory appetizers supplement the sushi, including miso-baked black cod and mushroom-topped *agedashi* (lightly-fried) tofu. The one problem: the later you arrive, the louder it gets. Make reservations, and if you value your ears, go at an early hour. Dinner nightly. Most dishes inexpensive, but many little bites can eat a hole in your wallet. — N.W. (7/04)

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Bob's on the Bay 570 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista Harbor, 619-476-0400. Big, breezy Bob's, with its beautiful Bay view, seems to be the unofficial community center of Chula Vista. It's a rambling building overlooking the Yacht Harbor where all sorts of folks pop in for a night off or a fun lunch. The food is serviceable American cuisine centered on steaks and seafood, but on Fridays and Saturdays the scene turns into a pretend-luau complete with Hawaiian band, hula dancers, a party atmosphere, and a few vaguely Polynesian dishes amid the standard mid-American buffet items. Full bar. Reservations advisable for luau nights and Sunday champagne brunch. Casual, family-friendly to the max. Breakfast and lunch buffets inexpensive; Sunday and dinner buffets moderate; à la carte expensive. — N.W. (7/03)

Cafe 1134 1134 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-437-1134. Rick Chapman has created a French café atmosphere with round Parisian tables and slat chairs outside and a balcony inside. Here Coronado's arty types mix with admirals, CEOs, and SEALs. Big fat cups of tea are a favored drink. Breakfasts are mostly steamed eggs plus extras, such as the Americana with two steamed eggs, Swiss cheese and ham, a side of fruit and sliced baguette. Lunches are sandwiches (like curried tuna or brie con pesto) or salads (try the chicken). Best deal: the Combo Special, a half sandwich and soup or salad. And there's always an art exhibition going on inside. Open daily, three meals; service until midnight on weekends. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

Point-Point Joint 916 East Eighth Street, National City, 619-474-2866. You're in Little Manila here, heartland of San Diego's Filipino community. So the food has to be authentic. Your problem's going to be choosing. Dozens of dishes with mysterious meats and veggies. You can play safe and choose, say, chicken barbecue on a bamboo spit, chicken *adobo*, or *longaniza* sausage. But you should seek out less familiar choices, too. *Kare-kare* (yam, peanut butter sauce with beef and tripe) is delicious, and so is *dinuguan*, pork in pork blood, also known as "chocolate meat." Want healthy? There's *monggo* (mung beans) with bitter melon leaves, or point to a pile of split, deep-fried fish — *daing na*

bangus, vinegar-soaked milk fish, said to be popular with old men with high blood pressure. Lunch, dinner seven days; breakfast Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/03)

Zorbas Family Restaurant 100 Broadway, Chula Vista, 619-422-8853. We haven't got to plate-breaking yet, but Greek dancing is alive and well at Zorba's on Fridays and Saturdays. That includes the *zembekikos*, where the dancer picks a glass of ouzo off the floor with his mouth and drinks it. The rest of the week? Families fill this place. They're here for the buffet, spooning up the *spanakopita* (spinach in deliciously flaky pastry), *dolmathes*, (ground beef and rice rolled in grape leaves), moussaka (eggplant, zucchini, and ground beef), and lamb. Try dividing your meal into three: first visit the salad section. Grab their real, strong-tasting olives, tabbouleh, hummus, onions, lettuce, and pita bread. Return for the heavies, the lamb and beef dishes. Then leave room for baklava and other desserts. It may not be the gourmet's method, but there's no better way to fill a belly. Lunch, dinner. Inexpensive. — E.B. (2/03)

BAJA

From the United States use the prefix 011-52-664 when calling Tijuana; when calling in Tijuana use only the restaurant's seven-digit number.

El Rincon del Oso Mercado Hidalgo, Calle Victoria #47, Rio District, Tijuana. Eating goat is an acquired taste. This little market restaurant is a good place to start acquiring. It serves kid for breakfast that's surprisingly easy on the taste buds. The best part is scooping the juices and the meat into a hot corn tortilla, adding cilantro, lime, grated onions, and a splash of salsa, and chomping in. It's meaty, slightly rich, almost gamey, like deer or buffalo, except the juices round out that gamey aftertaste. Come early morning for the best kid and the best market scenes. Open seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

El Taurino Steak House Sixth Street #7531 (three blocks west of Revolución), Tijuana, 685-7075. Looking for the home of the foot-long steak? At this old-line surf n' turf eatery a (real) wall-mounted bull's head lunges at you; his severed ears and tail hang beside him. But anchors and portholes and *barcas*

(boats) stuccoed on the white and green walls also emphasize the menu's "surf" side. It's all very forties. Fine linens, lifer waiters, and unchanged but good food — like marinated grilled quail, shrimp *al ajillo* (cooked in oil, garlic, and chili), and fish steamed *empapelado* (in parchment paper). A must-try is the signature *cabreria* steak, a thin but foot-long slab with guacamole, beans, onions, jalepeño, tortillas, and soup or salad. On second thought, the *media* (half) *cabreria* should be enough for most. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — E.B. (9/04)

La Petite Cafe Avenida Constitución #720-Q, in Foreign Club Passage off Revolución between 3rd and 4th (beside Maxim's), Tijuana, 688-2171. You're in a side eddy here from the storm of Revolución among Olmec sculptures, Aztec calendars, trees, and amazing quiet. It's standard *casera* (homestyle) food: Spanish chicken with rice and beans, pork chops in green sauce, red enchiladas, steak ranchero, liver-and-onion stew, *chicharrón* (crisp fried pork rind) in a red sauce, and of course *carne asada*, but cooked well and priced amazingly low. Check the generous five-item-plus-coffee breakfast special. All-day breakfast and lunches, seven days. Inexpensive. — E.B. (8/03)

Loncheria La Poca Lucha Municipal Market, Avenida Niños Héroes #105, Tijuana. Venturing to the far end of Tijuana's *Mercado Municipal* is like entering a scene from *The Sorcerer's Apprentice*. Shafts of sun penetrate the dark of an incredible kitchen of great black iron stoves and giant steaming pots, and hoods gathering into black pipes that snake up and out through the roof. But what a welcome! As you walk through the *mercado*, ladies bounce up, enticing you away to their eateries. Hang in there till you reach *Loncheria La Poca Lucha*, "The Small Struggle Lunch Place." Ask for *carne de puerco* (pork), *chiles rellenos*, *bistec ranchero*, or *higado al gusto* (liver), all around \$3. *Pescado frito* (fried fish), *milanesa con papas* (veal with fries), *pollo frito* (fried chicken), and *carne asada* are slightly more. Price includes soup, steaming hot corn tortillas, and a soda. Open seven days, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

Mariscos el Locochon Popotla fishing village, five minutes south of Rosarito Beach (non-toll road), dirt road next to Fox studios. There are smarter places to eat, like Puerto Nuevo. Even in Popotla, most other eateries look more

like, well, eateries. The thing about Pedro Garcia Barcelo and El Locochón is that they are what they are. His fishermen friends hand him fish straight off the boats, he sells them on a table in the sand, and if you so desire, he'll toss one into a pan of oil on a wood fire, fry a couple of corn tortillas, add cilantro, tomatoes, radishes, fried *cebollitas* (green onions), and presto! He'll hand you your freshest fish taco ever. Work out a price with him. He's there every day till dusk. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Karl Strauss Brewery Restaurant 1157 Columbia Street, downtown, 619-234-2739. One-time Pabst brewmeister Karl Strauss heads his own brewery and a bunch of brewery restaurants bearing his name, so you can't help but be a little wary of an over-slick operation. But at least at downtown's ivy-covered brick drink and eatery, the food's honest, tasty, and sleek, not slick. And Karl's beers are still interesting. Go for honest-but-beautiful dishes like his "Hump Day" meatloaf (Wednesdays only), which comes looking like a Magic Mountain, or the grilled marinated eggplant sandwich on focaccia. Beer influence is everywhere. Filet mignon has an Amber Lager glaze. Ribs boast a Red Trolley Ale barbecue sauce. It can get pricey; try

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The Living Room Coffeehouse 5900 El Cajon Boulevard (at 59th Street), College Area, 619-286-8434. With deep-draft couches, Persian carpets, pictures on the wall, chunky wooden tables, and a tree-shaded patio, this Swiss-owned café is a student hangout with a lively notice board, a rental computer, and good cheap breakfast food in huge quantities. Try "The Works" omelet, with bacon, ham, onions, tomatoes, pepper, cheese on top, potatoes, fruit, and bread. Open daily, three meals, until late at night. Inexpensive. Additional locations in Hillcrest, Old Town, Point Loma, and La Jolla. — E.B. (10/00)

The Original Pancake House 3906 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-1740. Starve yourself for eight

hours, then come in here and order up an Apple Pancake — a foot-wide, batter-filled, five-egg paradise pelted with slices from two Granny Smith apples and baked till it puffs up like a golden mini-superdome. Cinnamon cinches it. The German Pancake, or its kid brother, the Dutch Baby, are good oven-baked alternatives, as is the really, really filling mushroom omelet, which comes with three pancakes. Oh, and the Eggs Michael: sausage patties and poached eggs lost somewhere under a mushroom-sherry sauce. The whole atmosphere — striped gold-and-cream wallpaper, dainty cups, shelves of ceramic dogs — feels like it's the Fifties and your granny took you here when you were five. OK, it's a nationwide franchise, but it's a comfy franchise, from Oregon. All-day breakfast only, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. Other locations at 14905 Pomerado Road, Poway, 858-679-0186; 160 South Rancho Santa Fe Road, Encinitas, 760-943-1939; 435 South Melrose Drive, Vista, 760-758-3441. — E.B. (4/02)

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Omnibus or composite or anthology films (call them what you will), in particular those whose individual segments are handled by different directors, have gone out of fashion since the days when a Godard, a Chabrol, a Demy, a Truffaut, a Malle, a Rossellini, a Pasolini would be happy to toss a little something into a pot together with his equals and his inferiors. Directors of that stature today do not seem inclined to share the spotlight, or to line up for head-to-head comparison. Perhaps that's understandable when you notice how often it is that the fractional scale of such work inspires only a fractional effort by the filmmaker. More frankly, a half-hearted, a half-baked effort.

I have been racking my brains for anything to stack up to the new *Eros* (at the Ken for the next week), which apportions approximately a third of its under-two-hour running time to each of three significant figures from the world of cinema, Wong Kar-wai, Steven Soderbergh, and the nonagenarian Michelangelo Antonioni, who took part in another anthology film more than fifty years ago, *Love in the*

City, and who was the cornerstone, the starting point, of this new one. You, or someone, might care to argue that the directors of *New York Stories*, Woody Allen, Martin Scorsese, and

Francis Coppola, could match that combined stature, standing on one another's shoulders. Or you might want to

go back to the anthology heyday for the roster of *Boccaccio '70*, Fellini, Visconti, De Sica. No one, surely, would argue such a thing for the makers of *Four Rooms*, Quentin Tarantino, Robert Rodriguez, Alexandre Rockwell, and Allison Anders, or for the makers of *Twilight Zone: The Movie*, Steven Spielberg, George Miller, John Landis, and Joe Dante, even allowing them to stack four against three. In any event, the multinational aspect of *Eros* makes it special. *Erotique* had that aspect, too, but Lizzie Borden, Monika Treut, and Clara Law are small fry. (Love and sex are common unifying themes of anthologies — *Love and Anger*, *Love at Twenty*, *Three Fables of Love*, *The Oldest Profession*, etc. — but maybe not as common as horror.) The more recent *September 11* may have gathered together some big names — Lelouch, Loach, Imamura, Sean Penn —



Eros

but the division into eleven segments inevitably diluted the talent pool and permitted no one the room to stretch.

Another way in which *Eros* sets itself apart, even from the competition of *New York Stories* and *Boccaccio '70*, is through the caliber of the work itself, quite separate from the eminence of the filmmakers. That's not to suggest it's all of a piece. Only one of the

pieces is a keeper. The first one. The one that provides a full and satisfying moviegoing experience and leaves nothing to be desired. The one that's a meal in itself. The one that can stand alone. So, then, rather than take them in chronological order, let's get the discards out of the way first. "Equilibrium," the second episode, the Soderbergh episode, typifies the

frivolity that tends to plague the anthology form — the frivolity, and the half-heartedness. Set in the mid-Fifties, and shot for no good reason in *noir*-ish black-and-white (with color dream scenes), it depicts the first visit of an uptight Madison Avenue ad man (Robert Downey, Jr., uncomfortable in the period, as well as with the stogy dialogue) to a Freudian psychoana-

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lyst (Alan Arkin) who doesn't let the session interfere with his own voyeuristic pursuits. In the end, Soderbergh plays a little trick on our perception of what's real and what's fantasy, but it's just a trick, and very little indeed. In the third episode, "The Dangerous Thread of Things," Antonioni serves up something heavier, an unappetizing chunk of abstruseness about a man bounced between his bristly wife and his busty neighbor. The alternative women wind up (symbolically, one supposes) in the same place at the same time and in the same activity, dancing naked on the beach. Although it thus continues the director's dirty-old-mannerism of drooling over shapely female flesh, the film is not the major embarrassment of *Beyond the Clouds*, largely because it's smaller. And Antonioni can still pick a location, can still see it, can still show it. A new generation, even so, is not apt to run right out and rent *L'Avventura*.

That leaves the first and best for last. Titled "The Hand," this one, for openers, ought to tide us over while we wait for Wong's latest feature, *2046*, his quasi-sequel to *In the Mood for Love*, and it ought to reassure us at the same time that that film's more mature, more stable, more controlled, more sustained style was not a mirage. Wong appears to have climbed to a higher plane. And there is no sign of slacking off simply because this is but a fraction of a film. At a shade over forty-three minutes, it is easily the longest of the three segments. It is precisely as long as it needs to be. (Whereas his *Chungking Express* and *Fallen Angels* needed to braid together more than one storyline in order to reach the requisite feature-length.) It is as long, give or take, as *Sherlock Jr.* or *Zero for Conduct* or *Simon of the Desert*. It is a thing of beauty: not so much a story as a tone poem, or mood piece, on the enduring professional relationship of an inhibited tailor and a high-priced courtesan (the beauteous and sensuous Gong Li) whom he custom-fits in her finery, and who develops a Camille-like cough over time, and gravitates to the gutter. From the torrential rain of the opening shot to the scrambled time line and the Sixties period and the sliceable atmosphere of amorous longing, this is Wong's private universe. And the explicit *modiste* subject matter authorizes, if you please, the further elaboration of the dress fetish of *In the Mood...*, and rationalizes the filmmaker's hypersensitivity to fabric, pattern, texture, all captured in the blotted color of a Degas pastel, temperate greens, grays, browns. The two ensuing segments may drag down the film. That is, they may drag down *Eros*. But they don't dirty "The Hand." "The Hand" is untouched. Had I been watching it at home on DVD, I might have opted to re-watch that first segment immediately upon its conclusion. And if I can find the time to go back to the film in the following week, I'll be sure to walk out a third of the way through.

Melinda and Melinda throws Woody Allen's two cents into the alternative-reality forum. Two playwrights, one tragic and the other comic, are sitting in a New York bistro arguing their respective *Weltanschauungs*, when a tablemate proposes to tell a true story, and let the playwrights decide whether it's a tragedy or a comedy. We ourselves don't hear the story, beyond the first step of a woman arriving unannounced at an apartment door during a dinner party. Dissolve to the end of the story, and each playwright now

gets to put his own spin on it, taking turns reeling out the plotline. The two tales are enacted by completely separate casts, excepting Radha Mitchell, the alternative Melindas. Like most of Allen's films, even at his lowest ebb, this one has a clear point of inspiration, an idea, a concept, a conceit. But it's a little more of a challenge than usual, a hard job with no easy solution, and what's certain is that Allen wasn't up to it: an empty structure waiting to be furnished. Though there are, for sure, some clever permutations of shared elements (the single-malt Scotch, the magic lamp, the eligible dentist), the two stories seem insufficiently differentiated, even down to their smothering buttery light: the tragic insufficiently intense, the comic insufficiently funny. It is sometimes, as we switch back and forth, hard to remember which is which; and ultimately hard to imagine, as the plotlines diverge, what the "true" story could originally have been. The whole thing feels a bit monotonous, and yet — the strength of the structure — we keep hanging on to see where it's headed. (My own wish would have been for the "real" Melinda to turn up at the bistro at the end, looking inscrutably different from either version. I didn't get my wish.) Mitchell, in what might have been a virtuoso role for a Meryl Streep or a Judy Davis, is her-

self insufficiently differentiated: kinky hair and more cigarettes for tragedy. Put more harshly, she reveals not much range and not much personality. Will Ferrell, assigned to the comedy section, takes home the booby prize, however, for the most slavish imitation of Woody Allen (not on screen in this one). Chloë Sevigny, on the opposite hand, as a "Park Avenue Princess" in the tragedy section, manages to do with Allen's dialogue what she did also with Whit Stillman's in *The Last Days of Disco*, and what no one else can quite do: sound perfectly natural. (Isn't it about time, seven years after *Disco*, for the next Whit Stillman film?) Brooke Smith, even while slipping now and again into a recognizable Allen cadence, does pretty well, too. And Chiwetel Ejiofor, of *Dirty Pretty Things*, uses his deep-dish eyes to prove himself as sympathetic a charmer here as a worrier there.

In My Country takes up the South African apartheid problem after its solution, when the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of the mid-Nineties offered amnesty to political criminals, provided they could demonstrate a political motive for their crimes, in exchange for their public confession and confrontation of their victims. Juliette Binoche plays an Afrikaner with a conscience (also with a pleasanter French accent),

a poet who is covering the hearings on the radio; and Samuel L. Jackson plays a reporter for *The Washington Post*, an African-American who, over a century removed from slavery, is covering the hearings with a hotter head and infinite impatience: "How can it be news," he fumes over the placement of his stories on an inside page, "when the victims are black?" Their different approaches to a common concern form the rocky foundation of an intimate relationship; and it's the relationship, in fact, that forms the

foundation of the film. Director John Boorman, long interested in the chasms between people, is not one to shy away from the Big Theme — the plundering of the Amazon jungle in *The Emerald Forest*, the Burmese blood-bath of the late-Eighties in *Beyond Rangoon* — but he has heretofore preferred to couch the theme in a tale of adventure, which, if it doesn't quite muffle the message, at least affords ample opportunity for his voracious camera eye. The mounted animal heads on the walls of an unapologetic tor-

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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



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government funds during the war; and a whole host of illustrations of his personal eccentricities (to pick a mild word): the handshake phobia, the stuck-phonograph-needle speech tic (suppressible only by a hand over his mouth), the lengthy sequestration in a studio screening room, with the resultant lengthy hair and fingernails, and the daily recycling of the delivered milk bottles as urinals. One way or another, the caricatures of Hollywood luminaries (principally Cate Blanchett's recognizable Kate Hepburn, if only verbally, and Kate Beckinsale's unrecognizable Ava Gardner) add to our entertainment as well — if, again, not to our insight. And, although useless as a narrative device or even a period-evocation device, Scorsese's pedantic reproduction of the primitive two-color process (reds and blues only, yielding blue peas, blue foliage, etc.), evolving into a fuller spectrum with the passage of time, might tickle aficionados. Surely Scorsese, however, was fishing for a stronger compliment than words to the effect that his movie is good for a few laughs. John C. Reilly, Alec Baldwin, Alan Alda. 2004. ★★ (LA JOLLA 12)

The Ballad of Jack and Rose — Rebecca Miller — daughter of a dominating man, the playwright Arthur Miller — has written and directed a coming-of-age tale about the daughter of a dominating man, a radical Sixties bitter-ender who, in the mid-Eighties, still lives in TV-free isolation at an abandoned commune on an island off the East Coast, and opposes (with a shotgun) the development of the wetlands. Under his sole influence (but somehow immune to his Scottish burr), the girl can't see past his terminal heart condition: "When you die, I'm gonna die." An invitation to the father's sometime girlfriend from the mainland, and to her two teenage sons, shakes things up. The characters and dialogue contain more quirks than you can shake a stick at: the porky boy and aspiring hairdresser is especially amusing, especially in recoil at the heroine's offer of her virginity. And Beau Bridges attains high hilarity without broadness as the developer from Squaresville. Miller's direction of her unanchored camera, on the other hand, is often aimlessly busy; and the upbeat epilogue feels, in the parlance of the Sixties, like a cop-out. Daniel Day-Lewis, Catherine Keener, Camilla Belle. 2005. ★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

Beauty Shop — Spinoff of *Barber Shop*, with Queen Latifah, Alicia Silverstone, Andie McDowell, and Alfre Woodard, directed by Bille Woodruff. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

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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 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.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION VALLEY 20; VOGUE)

The Big Lebowski — There are actually two Lebowskis, a big one and a little one, a multimillionaire philanthropist and a lazy, laid-back bowler, both christened Jeffrey; and when the latter — who prefers to be addressed as “the Dude” — is mistaken for the other by a pair of dim-bulb thugs, he is pulled into an apparent kidnapping plot of rapidly deepening complexity: “a lot of ins, a lot of outs, a lot of what-have-yous.” The Coen brothers, writer-director Joel and writer-producer Ethan, are here having fun with, among other things, complexity per se. Fun with the very idea of complexity. Fun with the concrete and mountainous evidence of complexity. And one of the richest sources of fun, played off in the sharpest contrast to complexity, is the glorious spectrum of stupidity on exhibit: the dope-addled but gropingly rational Dude (Jeff Bridges); the big lug who is always absolutely sure he is right in spite of the fact that he has never been right yet (John Goodman); the woolgatherer who

falls behind in the slowest of conversations (Steve Buscemi); the several teams of hired “muscle” (all brawn, no brains), one team of which are self-styled Nihilists; the nympho bimbo; the adolescent joyrider who afterwards forgets his corrected homework (“Use a dictionary,” “Spelling”) in the abandoned car. The complexity is no illusion. It is right there in front of us in frightening and multiplying detail. It brutally illuminates the stupidity. And at the same time it forms the philosophical foundation for a broad and accepting, if aloof and frosty, view of humankind. The Coens — who better? who else? — are able to make wonderful sport of deadbeats and boneheads from the high ground of diligence and ingenuity. They never play “down” to the audience. They demand effort and intelligence, and they reward these by the truckload: lively characterizations, flavorful dialogue, dense atmosphere, clever and convoluted plotting, rich and well-developed themes, abundant allusions, “in” jokes, grace notes, and red herrings, each element teamed with the others in common purpose. Julianne Moore, David Huddleston, Sam Elliott, Peter Stormare, Ben Gazzara, John Turturro, Jimmie Dale Gilmore. 1998.

★★★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, 4/9 MIDNIGHT)

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; MISSION VALLEY 20)

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*, *La Petite Lili* — that procure poignance through the use of the same Arvo Pärt piece, “Spiegel im Spiegel.” It’s gotten a little ridiculous. Not even Pachelbel’s *Canon* has had a heavier workout in a shorter time.

● (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 4/8; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

Diary of a Mad Black Woman — A

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GREG MUSKEWITZ

Film critic, eFilmCritic.com

On a trip to New York, I saw a great Chinese film by Jia Zhang-ke called *The World*. None of his prior features have ever made it to San Diego screens but I chanced upon his *Unknown Pleasures* at Blockbuster (slapped with a “Youth Restricted Viewing” label, though these unknowable pleasures have no real sexual relation). The result? Rough, but minor influences ranging from Wong Kar-wai, Hou Hsiao-hsien, Quentin Tarantino — only not quite as stylish, elegant, or fractured. Curious ethnographic filmmaking, but Jia’s metaphoric *The World* is a far better observation of anomie and better looking.

UNKNOWN PLEASURES (China)

2002, New Yorker Video

List price: \$29.95

KELLY PARKS

Film critic, FeoAmante.com

Alien vs. Predator: Did I like *AVP*? No, I didn’t like it. I LOVED IT! Very fast paced, gets to the good stuff quick, and hell, yes, the creatures “rock.”

Colossus: The Forbin Project: This is the best evil-computer-taking-over-the-world movie ever made.

Forbidden Planet: Forget the fact that it’s based on Shakespeare’s *The Tempest* and just geek out over one of the best sci-fi flicks to come out of the Fifties.

ALIEN VS. PREDATOR (USA)

2004, 20th Century

Fox Home Entertainment

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COLOSSUS: THE FORBIN PROJECT (USA)

1970, Universal

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FORBIDDEN PLANET (USA)

1956, Warner Home Video

List price: \$24.98

DAN BENNETT

Film critic, The North County Times

Larry David’s HBO series *Curb Your Enthusiasm* is funny, and helps put life in perspective. Sometimes it’s more frightening than *The Sopranos*.

I wanted to see if *Finding Neverland* is as boring on a television screen as it was in the theater. It is.

The Cat Returns, from the makers of *Spirited Away*, is a very well made and entertaining family film from Japan, with some ingenious animation.

CURB YOUR ENTHUSIASM: The Complete First Season (USA)

2000, Warner Home Video

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Finding Neverland — Academic exercise, adapted from an unrenowned theater piece entitled *The Man Who Was Peter Pan*, that purports to show how the playwright J.M. Barrie sculpted the glazed statue of *Peter Pan* from the soft clay of his real-life relationship with a widow and her four boys. (Albeit a platonic relationship, both with the widow and — titillating though it may be to believe otherwise — with the boys: “There have also been questions of how you spend time with those boys, *and why!*”) The usefulness of this exercise is rather diminished by the insistence, for Dramatic Purposes, that Barrie’s stroke of inspiration was somehow a bolt from the blue: thus the concealment of the playwright’s prior successes on the stage, the indifference to such outside literary influences as R.L. Stevenson (*Treasure Island*) and W.S. Gilbert (*The Pirates of Penzance*), the obliviousness to the prevailing child-worship afoot in England at the time, the denial of the pandering, undaring fashionability of the theme, and the preposterous pretense that it would constitute some sort of insight or revelation, as opposed to self-evident truism, that the play’s subtitle, “The Boy Who Would Not Grow Up,” applies equally to its author as to its hero. (In real life, what’s more, the widow was not even a widow.) Johnny Depp summons up a decent Scottish accent to accompany an indecent smirk. And Kate Winslet is her usual tower of strength and intelligence in spite of a role so narrow in conception that she’s not going to be allowed to cough unless she’s going to die of it. With Julie Christie, Radha Mitchell, Dustin Hoffman; directed by Marc Forster. 2004.

★ (GASLAMP 15)

Guess Who — From the original



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studio — Columbia — comes a new spin on *Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner*. Now — nearly forty years later — it’s a black girl bringing home a white fiancé, rather than the other way around, and meeting more open hostility than back then. What was once a purposeful gathering of Hollywood liberals (Tracy and Hepburn, together again for the last time, Poitier, Stanley Kramer) at

a critical juncture in history — a “special” occasion — is now just another lowbrow Laff Riot, skirting the issue and trafficking instead in sitcommy meet-the-parents clichés, marital clichés, homosexual (or homophobic) clichés: not just a step backward in social progress but even more in cinematic progress. Bernie Mac and Ashton Kutcher, who get most of the chances on the way to some male-bonding clichés, give it their best effort, but it never

resembles a team effort. With Zoë Saldaña and Judith Scott; directed by Kevin Rodney Sullivan. 2005.
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RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15;
TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Head-On — Love story of two suicidal German Turks, written and directed by Fatih Akin.
(HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 4/8)

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 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; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VOGUE)

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.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

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 Fraisse. With Sophie Okonedo, Nick Nolte, Joaquin Phoenix, Cara Seymour; directed by Terry George. 2004.

★★ (LA PALOMA, 4/10 THROUGH 4/13)

In My Country — Reviewed this issue. With Juliette Binoche, Samuel L. Jackson, and Brendan Gleeson; directed by John Boorman.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, THROUGH 4/7)

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

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accent, might as well be Winona Ryder. With Adrien Brody, Kris Kristofferson, Jennifer Jason Leigh, Daniel Craig, Kelly Lynch; directed by John Maybury. 2005. ★ (GASLAMP 15)

Melinda and Melinda — Reviewed this issue. With Radha Mitchell, Will Ferrell, Jonny Lee Miller, Chloë Sevigny, and Amanda Peet; written and directed by Woody Allen. ★★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 4/8; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MISSION VALLEY 20)

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. ★★★★★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14)

Millions — The lighter side of Danny Boyle (*Trainspotting*, *28 Days Later*, et al.), lighter even than *A Life Less Ordinary*, embracing not mere angels, 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. With Alex Etel, Lewis McGibbon, James Nesbitt. 2005. ★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12)

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 JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Off the Map — Arch and artificial memory film about a hippie family outside Taos in the Seventies, during the time of the father’s great depression (the adult daughter-narrator, looking back: “It was inescapable, my father’s depression, like some fumigator’s mist filling our lungs”), and about the IRS auditor who comes calling, gets laid low by a beesting, stays on to recuperate, and finds a new vocation as an artist. Off the planet. With Joan Allen, Sam Elliott, Valentina de Angeles, Jim True-Frost, J.K. Simmons, and Amy Brenneman; directed by Campbell Scott. 2004. ● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 4/8)

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

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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. With David Dorfman and Simon Baker. 2005.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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-



Melinda and Melinda

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

schmoft!”) 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 Wedge. 2005.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

Sahara — Action adventure with Matthew McConaughey, Steve Zahn, and Penelope Cruz, directed by Breck Eisner. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; FROM 4/8)

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

MOVIE SHOWTIMES

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CENTRAL

CLAIREMONT

Town Square 14

4665 Clairemont Drive (858-274-1234)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri. (1:45) 4:30, 8:00, 10:25; Sat. (12:35, 3:05) 5:30, 8:00, 10:25; Sun. (12:35, 3:05) 5:30, 7:55, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:30) 7:55, 10:20; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri. (1:10, 2:10) 4:25, 5:30, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; Sat. (12:10, 1:30, 2:45) 4:25, 5:40, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:45; Sun. (12:10, 1:30, 2:45) 4:25, 5:40, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 2:10, 4:25, 5:30) 7:15, 8:15, 9:45; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri. (1:35) 5:00, 7:35, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:10, 7:35, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (1:35, 5:00) 7:35, 10:00; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri. (1:50) 5:15, 7:50, 10:20; Sat.-Sun. (1:15) 4:40, 7:50, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 5:15) 7:45, 10:15; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri. (2:30) 4:45, 7:25, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (12:25, 2:40) 5:05, 7:25, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 4:45) 7:25, 9:35; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri. (1:15, 2:15, 3:45) 5:25, 7:05, 8:05, 9:40, 10:35; Sat. (12:30, 1:35, 3:00) 4:35, 5:35, 7:05, 8:05, 9:40, 10:35; Sun. (12:30, 1:35, 3:00) 4:35, 5:35, 7:05, 8:05, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 2:15, 3:45, 5:25) 7:05, 8:05, 9:40; **Robots** (PG) Fri. (1:20, 3:35) 6:55, 9:30; Sat.-Sun. (12:15, 2:30) 4:45, 6:55, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 3:35) 6:55, 9:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 2:00, 3:50) 4:55, 7:10, 7:45, 9:55, 10:40; Sat. (12:00, 1:00, 3:20) 4:20, 7:10, 7:45, 9:55, 10:40; Sun. (12:00, 1:00, 3:20) 4:20, 7:10, 7:45, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:00, 3:50, 4:55) 7:10, 7:50, 9:55; **Sin City** (R) Fri. (1:05, 2:05, 3:55) 4:50, 7:00, 7:40, 9:50, 10:30; Sat. (12:05, 1:05, 3:15) 4:15, 7:00, 7:40, 9:50, 10:30; Sun. (12:05, 1:05, 3:15) 4:15, 7:00, 7:40, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 2:05, 3:55, 4:50) 7:00, 7:40, 9:50; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri. (1:40) 4:20, 7:30, 10:15; Sat. (1:25) 4:50, 7:30, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:20) 7:30, 10:10

DOWNTOWN

Gaslamp 15

701 Fifth Avenue (619-232-0400)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:05, 1:40, 2:35) 4:20, 5:20, 7:00, 8:15, 9:25, 10:40; Sun. (12:05, 1:40, 2:35) 4:20, 5:20, 7:00, 7:50, 9:25, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 2:35, 4:20, 5:20) 7:00, 7:50, 9:25, 10:10; **Born into Brothels** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:30, 3:50) 6:05, 8:20, 10:25; **Constantine** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:20, 2:50) 5:30, 8:10, 10:50; Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:30, 8:10; Mon.-Thu. (2:50, 5:30) 8:10; **Diary of a Mad Black Woman** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (1:45) 4:25, 7:10, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (1:45, 4:25) 7:10, 9:55; **Finding Neverland** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (12:10, 2:40) 5:05, 7:25, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:05) 7:25,

9:45; **Gunner Palace** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (2:45) 4:50, 7:40, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (2:45, 4:50) 7:40, 9:50; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 5:10, 7:45, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (2:30, 5:10) 7:45, 10:20; **Hotel Rwanda** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (2:10) 4:40, 7:30, 10:10; Sun. (2:10) 4:40, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:40) 7:30, 10:00; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Sun. (12:15, 2:25) 4:45, 7:05, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (2:25, 4:45) 7:05, 9:15; **The Jacket** (R) Fri.-Sat. (2:05) 5:00, 7:35, 10:30; Sun. (2:05) 5:00, 7:35; Mon.-Thu. (2:05, 5:00) 7:35; **The Passion Re-Cut** (Not Rated) Fri.-Sun. (1:50) 4:30, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:30) 7:20, 10:05; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (1:15, 3:35) 5:50, 8:05, 10:15; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 3:35, 5:50) 8:05, 10:15; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 1:25, 2:20) 4:15, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; Sun. (11:30, 1:25, 2:20) 4:15, 5:15, 7:15, 8:00, 10:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 2:00, 4:15, 5:15) 7:15, 8:00, 10:15

Horton Plaza 14

Horton Plaza (619-444-FILM)
Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:40, 3:40) 6:35, 9:25; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 12:40, 2:35, 3:25, 5:10) 6:30, 7:45, 9:15, 10:20; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:45, 1:20, 3:20, 4:10) 6:05, 7:10, 9:05, 9:55; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:00, 4:00) 6:45, 9:50; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 3:15) 6:20, 9:30; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:35, 3:25) 6:15, 9:10; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 2:55, 5:25) 7:55, 10:15; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:30) 7:35, 10:10; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:50, 3:00, 3:50) 6:25, 7:00, 9:35, 10:00; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 1:30, 3:35, 4:30) 6:50, 7:30, 9:40, 10:20

LA JOLLA

La Jolla 12

8657 Villa La Jolla Drive (858-558-2262)
Fever Pitch; **Sahara**; **Sin City**; **Beauty Shop**; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous**; **Guess Who**; **Millions**; **The Ring Two**; **The Upside of Anger**; **Robots**; **Hitch**; **The Aviator**

La Jolla Village

8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)
The Big Lebowski (R) Sat. 12:00; **Dear Frankie** (PG-13) Fri. (2:05, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:35) 2:05, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Mon. (2:05, 4:45) 9:45; Tue.-Thu. (2:05, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; **Downfall** (R) Fri. (1:30, 5:00) 8:30; Sat.-Sun. (1:30) 5:00, 8:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 5:00) 8:30; **Melinda and Melinda** (PG-13) Fri. (2:15, 4:55) 7:30, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 2:15, 4:55, 7:30, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:15, 4:55) 7:30, 9:55; **Off the Map** (PG-13) Fri. (1:50, 4:25) 7:00, 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 1:50, 4:25, 7:00, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:25) 7:00, 9:35

MIRA MESA

Mira Mesa 18

10733 Westview Parkway (858-635-7700)
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MISSION VALLEY

Fashion Valley 18

7037 Friars Road (858-558-2262)
Fever Pitch; **Sahara**; **Sin City**; **Beauty Shop**; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous**; **Guess Who**; **The Ring Two**; **The Upside of Anger**; **Robots**; **Hostage**; **Be Cool**; **The Pacifier**; **Hitch**; **Million Dollar Baby**

Mann Hazard 7

7510 Hazard Center Drive (619-574-7849)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 2:10, 4:30) 7:10, 9:40; Sat.-Thu. (11:50, 2:10, 4:30) 7:10, 9:40; **Bride & Prejudice** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 2:30, 4:50) 7:30, 10:30; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 1:50, 4:20) 7:20, 9:50; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:20, 4:10) 7:10, 10:10; **The Sea Inside** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:20, 5:00) 7:40, 10:20; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:10, 1:10, 3:40, 4:00) 6:30, 7:00, 9:30, 10:00

Mission Valley 20

1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)
Fever Pitch; **Sahara**; **Guess Who**; **Sin City**; **Beauty Shop**; **Melinda and Melinda**; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous**; **The Ring Two**; **Ice Princess**; **Robots**; **Hostage**; **Be Cool**; **The Pacifier**; **Hitch**; **Constantine**

STATE UNIVERSITY

Cinerama 6

5831 University Avenue (619-287-8990)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri. (3:15) 5:35, 8:00, 10:25; Sat. (12:50, 3:15) 5:35, 8:00, 10:25; Sun. (12:50, 3:15) 5:35, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:30, 5:45) 8:00; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri. (2:50) 5:20, 7:50, 10:20; Sat. (12:20, 2:50) 5:20, 7:50, 10:20; Sun. (12:20, 2:50) 5:20, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. (3:05, 5:25) 7:40; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri. (2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:45; Sat. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 5:00, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. (3:15, 5:30) 7:50; **Robots** (PG) Fri. (2:40) 4:50, 7:00, 9:15; Sat. (12:30, 2:40) 4:50, 7:00, 9:15; Sun. (12:30, 2:40) 4:50, 7:00; Mon.-Thu. (3:20, 5:20) 7:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri. (3:55) 7:20, 10:05; Sat. (1:00, 3:55) 7:20, 10:05; Sun. (1:00, 3:55) 7:20; Mon.-Thu. (3:00, 5:35) 8:10; **Sin City** (R) Fri. (3:40) 7:10, 9:55; Sat. (12:40, 3:40) 7:10, 9:55; Sun. (12:40, 3:40) 7:10; Mon.-Thu. (3:10, 5:40) 8:15

Ken

4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)
Eros (R) Fri. (4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (2:15) 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (4:45) 7:15, 9:45

UPTOWN

Hillcrest Cinemas

3965 Fifth Avenue (619-819-0236)
The Ballad of Jack and Rose (R) Fri. (4:25) 9:35; Sat.-Sun. (11:15) 4:25, 9:35; Mon.-Thu. (4:25) 9:35; **dot the i** (R) Fri. (2:35, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; Sat.-Sun. (12:10) 2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 10:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:35, 5:00) 7:30, 10:00; **Dust to Glory** (PG) Fri. (2:10, 4:35) 7:10, 9:45; Sat.-Sun. (11:45) 2:10, 4:35, 7:10, 9:45; Mon.-Thu. (2:10, 4:35) 7:10, 9:45; **Head-On**

(Not Rated) Fri. (2:20, 5:15) 8:00; Sat.-Sun. (11:25) 2:20, 5:15, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. (2:20, 5:15) 8:00; **Millions** (PG) Fri. (2:00, 4:45) 7:20, 9:55; Sat.-Sun. (11:35) 2:00, 4:45, 7:20, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:45) 7:20, 9:55; **Schultze Gets the Blues** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (1:45) 7:00

Museum of Photographic Arts

1649 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-7559)
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Reuben H. Fleet Science Center

1875 El Prado, Balboa Park (619-238-1233)
Lewis & Clark: Great Journey West (Not Rated) Fri. 6:00; **Mystery of the Nile** (Not Rated) Fri. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 9:00; Sat. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00; Sun. 10:00, 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00; Mon.-Thu. 12:00, 2:00, 4:00; **Night on Dream Mountain** Sat. 10:00; **Rhythms of the World** (Not Rated) Fri. 1:00, 3:00, 8:00; Sat. 11:00, 3:00, 7:00; Sun. 11:00, 1:00, 3:00; Mon.-Thu. 1:00, 3:00; **Roar: Lions of the Kalahari** (Not Rated) Fri.-Thu. 5:00; **Special Effects: Anything Can Happen** (Not Rated) Fri. 7:00; **Volcanoes of the Deep Sea** (Not Rated) Sat. 1:00

EAST COUNTY

EL CAJON

Parkway Plaza 18

405 Parkway Plaza (619-401-3456)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:10, 11:40, 1:50, 2:20, 4:30, 5:00) 7:10, 7:40, 9:50, 10:20; **Constantine** (R) Fri. (11:05, 4:45) 10:25; Sat.-Sun. (4:45) 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (11:05, 4:45) 10:25; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Sat.-Sun. (11:15, 11:45, 1:55, 2:25, 4:35, 5:05) 7:15, 7:45, 9:55, 10:25; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:00, 2:05, 2:35, 4:40, 5:10) 7:15, 7:45, 9:40, 10:20; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:50, 4:40) 7:30, 10:20; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Thu. (2:00) 7:40; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:15, 2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 11:30, 1:50, 2:20, 4:40, 5:10) 7:30, 8:00, 10:20, 10:50; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:00, 11:30, 1:50, 2:20, 4:40, 5:10) 7:30, 8:00, 10:20, 10:50; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Thu. (11:05, 1:55, 4:45) 7:35, 10:25

LA MESA

Grossmont Center

Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:15) 4:40, 7:25, 10:45; Sun. (1:15) 4:40, 7:25, 9:50; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 4:40) 7:25, 9:50; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:30, 2:20) 5:10, 8:00, 10:50; Sun. (11:30, 2:20) 5:10, 8:00, 10:30; Mon. (11:00, 2:20, 5:10) 8:00, 10:30; Tue.-Thu. (2:20, 5:10) 8:00, 10:30; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri. (1:30) 4:30, 7:10, 9:50; Sat. (10:40, 1:30) 4:30, 7:10, 9:50; Sun. (10:40, 1:30) 4:30, 7:10,

9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:30) 7:10, 9:40; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri. (1:40) 4:50, 7:35, 10:35; Sat. (10:45, 1:40) 4:50, 7:35, 10:35; Sun. (10:45, 1:40) 4:50, 7:35, 10:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:40, 4:50) 7:35, 10:10; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri. (1:20) 4:20, 7:05, 9:45; Sat. (10:55, 1:20) 4:20, 7:05, 9:45; Sun. (10:55, 1:20) 4:20, 7:05, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:20, 4:20) 7:05, 9:30; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:45, 2:40) 5:25, 8:15, 10:55; Sun. (11:45, 2:40) 5:25, 7:55, 10:25; Mon.-Thu. (2:40, 5:25) 7:55, 10:25; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sun. (11:15, 2:00) 4:55, 7:15, 9:55; Mon.-Thu. (2:00, 4:55) 7:15, 9:55; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:45, 3:55) 7:00, 10:05; Sun.-Thu. (12:45, 3:55) 7:00, 9:45; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. (1:10) 4:15, 7:20, 10:20; Sun. (1:10) 4:15, 7:20, 10:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 4:15) 7:20, 10:05; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Sat. (11:00, 1:50) 4:45, 7:40, 10:40; Sun. (11:00, 1:50) 4:45, 7:40, 10:20; Mon.-Thu. (1:50, 4:45) 7:40, 10:20

Grossmont Trolley

8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)
Fever Pitch (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:45) 7:05, 9:55; Sun.-Thu. (1:00, 3:45) 7:05; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:15, 3:10) 6:05, 9:05; Sun.-Thu. (12:15, 3:10) 6:05; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:30, 3:15) 6:10, 9:25; Sun.-Thu. (12:30, 3:15) 6:10; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Sat. 6:45, 9:10; Sun.-Thu. 6:45; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. (1:15, 3:55); **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 3:40) 6:35, 9:20; Sun.-Thu. (12:55, 3:40) 6:35; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (1:10, 3:50) 6:20, 8:40; Sun.-Thu. (1:10, 3:50) 6:20; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:45, 2:55) 6:15, 9:15; Sun. (11:45, 2:55) 6:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:05, 3:00) 6:15; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 3:25) 6:30, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. (12:00, 3:25) 6:30

RANCHO SAN DIEGO

Rancho San Diego 15

2951 Jamacha Road
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 1:00, 3:35, 4:0

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 Kaurismaki-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. Horst Krause, Harald Warmbrunn, Karl Fred Müller. 2004. ★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

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 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



Sin City

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 degenerative disease (and with whom our hero explores the boundaries of untactile sexuality), the simple factory worker who

insinuates herself at first as a pro-life advocate, the pregnant representative from Death With Dignity, and the silently devoted sister-in-law who, together with a

moody nephew, cares for the invalid round 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 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, THROUGH 4/7)

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

SOUTH BAY

CHULA VISTA

Chula Vista 10

Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (11:30, 12:45, 2:15, 3:15, 4:45) 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 10:00, 10:45; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:45 (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:00 (1:15, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 12:00 (2:30) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:30

Palm Promenade 24

770 Denmery Road (858-558-2262)
Fever Pitch; **Sahara**; **Sin City**; **Beauty Shop**; **The Upside of Anger**; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous**; **Guess Who**; **The Ring Two**; **Ice Princess**; **The Pacifier**; **Robots**; **Hostage**; **Hitch**

Rancho Del Rey 16

East H Street (619-216-4707)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri. (12:15, 1:15, 2:55, 4:20) 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; Sat.-Sun. (1:15, 2:55, 4:20) 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; Mon.-Thu. (12:15, 1:15, 2:55, 4:20) 7:15, 8:00, 10:00, 10:45; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 12:45, 3:35, 4:10) 6:55, 7:20, 10:00, 10:35; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:50, 2:00, 3:50, 5:00) 7:00, 7:40, 9:40, 10:25; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:25) 7:10, 10:10; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:50, 4:50) 7:45, 10:35; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. (1:55, 4:30) 7:10, 9:35; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 3:15) 7:00, 10:05; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 2:55, 5:25) 7:55, 10:20; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (1:45, 4:40) 7:35, 10:30; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:25, 4:55) 7:25, 9:45; **Sahara** (PG-13) Sat.-Sun. (1:05, 4:45) 7:50, 10:45; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. (1:20, 1:40, 4:25, 4:45) 7:30, 7:50, 10:30, 11:59

Vogue

226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436)
Be Cool (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 4:00, 10:15; **Because of Winn-Dixie** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:45, 6:15; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 1:45, 8:15

IMPERIAL BEACH

South Bay Drive In

2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:00, 11:45; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:00, 12:00; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 9:55; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 10:00; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 8:00, 12:25; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. 10:15

NORTH INLAND

CARMEL MOUNTAIN

Carmel Mountain

11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:55, 3:20) 5:40, 8:00, 10:20; Sun. (11:30, 1:55) 4:20, 6:45, 9:10; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 4:00) 6:45, 9:20; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 2:10) 4:30, 7:00, 9:25; Sat. (11:00, 1:25, 3:50) 7:00, 9:25; Sun. (11:50, 2:15) 4:40, 7:05, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 4:00) 6:45, 9:30; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:35, 3:00) 5:20, 7:40, 10:00; Sun. (11:20, 1:45) 4:15, 6:40, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (1:15, 4:00) 6:45, 9:20; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri. (1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:50; Sat. (11:00, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:40, 9:50; Sun. (11:30, 1:30, 3:30) 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:20; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (1:00, 3:35) 6:40, 9:15; Sun. (11:00, 1:35) 4:15, 6:50, 9:25; Mon.-Thu. (1:05, 3:50) 6:35, 9:10; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (12:45, 3:15) 5:40, 8:05, 10:30; Sun. (12:00, 2:30) 4:55, 7:20, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:10, 3:55) 6:40, 9:20; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. (12:00, 2:10) 4:20, 6:30, 9:00; Sun. (11:00, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:30, 9:30; Mon.-Thu. (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:20; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. (11:40, 2:25) 5:10, 7:55, 10:40; Sun. (12:30, 3:15) 6:30, 9:15; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:40) 6:25, 9:30; **Sideways** (R) Fri.-Sat. (12:50, 3:35) 6:45, 9:30; Sun. (12:45, 3:30) 6:15, 9:00; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 3:40) 6:25, 9:10; **Sin City** (R) Fri. (12:40, 2:30, 3:25) 5:30, 6:35, 8:30, 9:20; Sat. (11:30, 12:40, 2:30, 3:25) 5:30, 6:35, 8:30, 9:20; Sun. (11:50, 12:50, 2:35, 3:35) 5:20, 6:20, 8:05, 9:05; Mon.-Thu. (12:55, 2:30, 3:40, 5:15) 6:25, 8:00, 9:10; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri. (11:40, 2:10) 4:40, 7:20, 10:00; Sat. (11:20, 2:00) 4:40, 7:20, 10:00; Sun. (11:00, 1:40) 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; Mon.-Thu. (1:00, 3:45) 6:30, 9:10

ESCONDIDO

Escondido 16

350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)
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FALLBROOK

Galaxy 6

5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)
Beauty Shop (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.-Thu. 3:00, 5:30, 8:00; **Fever Pitch** (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.-Thu. 3:15, 5:45, 8:15; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri. 2:00 (4:30) 7:15, 10:00; Sat. 11:15 (2:00, 4:30) 7:15, 10:00; Sun. 11:15 (2:00, 4:30) 7:15; Mon.-Thu. 2:00 (4:30) 7:15; **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.-Thu. 2:30 (4:45) 7:00; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri. 2:15, 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Sat. 11:30 (2:15) 5:15, 8:00, 10:45; Sun. 11:30 (2:15) 5:15, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:15, 5:15, 8:00; **Sin City** (R) Fri. 4:30, 7:30, 10:30; Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; Mon.-Thu.

4:30, 7:30

POWAY

Poway 10

13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:30; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30) 5:15; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:00; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:45, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 2:45, 7:45; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:15; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 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)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:25, 1:15, 3:25, 4:15) 6:45, 7:35, 9:30, 10:10; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:30, 12:50, 2:20, 4:00, 5:00) 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; **Hitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:50, 2:25, 5:05) 7:55, 10:35; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Thu. (3:20) 10:05; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. (12:05, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:20; **Million Dollar Baby** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:10) 6:30; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (11:40, 2:25, 5:10) 7:50, 10:35; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:55, 2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:40; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:30, 3:30) 7:20, 10:15; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Thu. (11:35, 2:05, 4:35) 7:25, 9:55; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. (12:15, 1:00, 3:30, 4:15) 6:45, 7:30, 10:00, 10:45; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:00, 1:30, 3:00, 4:30) 6:00, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Thu. (12:20, 3:15) 6:50, 9:50

VISTA

Vista Village Metroplex 15

Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)
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NORTH COASTAL

CARLSBAD

Plaza Camino Real

2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)

Fever Pitch (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:45, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 9:35; Sun. 11:45, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 11:45, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 9:35; **Her Majesty** (PG) Mon. 7:00; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:55, 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:05, 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:45; Sun. 11:05, 1:40, 4:20, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. 11:05, 1:40, 4:20, 7:10, 9:45; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. 11:00, 1:30, 4:05, 6:45, 9:20; Sun. 11:00, 1:30, 4:05, 6:45; Mon. 11:00, 1:30, 4:05, 9:20; Tue.-Thu. 11:00, 1:30, 4:05, 6:45, 9:20

DEL MAR

Del Mar Highlands 8

El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Thu. 10:15 (12:30) 5:15; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 11:00 (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 11:00 (1:30, 4:15) 7:00; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:00, 7:15; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:45, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 2:45, 7:45; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (12:45, 3:00) 5:15, 7:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:30) 7:30

Flower Hill 4

2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)
Dear Frankie (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Melinda and Melinda** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Tue. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Wed. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; Thu. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8

220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 2:10, 5:00, 8:00, 10:25; Sun. 2:10, 5:00, 8:00; Mon.-Thu. 2:00, 5:15, 7:55; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:40, 4:40, 7:50, 10:25; Sun. 1:40, 4:40, 7:50; Mon.-Thu. 2:10, 5:20, 7:50; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:50, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20; Sun. 1:50, 4:50, 7:40; Mon.-Thu. 2:20, 5:30, 8:10; **Ice Princess** (G) Fri.-Sun. 1:30, 4:30, 6:55; Mon.-Thu. 2:30, 5:40, 8:15; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 10:10; Sun. 1:20, 4:20, 7:20; Mon.-Thu. 1:50, 5:10, 8:00; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 9:25; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 12:45, 2:55, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45; Sun. 12:45, 2:55, 5:10, 7:30; Mon.-Thu. 1:45, 5:00, 7:15; **Sahara** (1985) (Not Rated) Fri.-Sat. 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:15; Sun. 1:10, 4:10, 7:10; Mon.-Thu. 1:30, 4:40, 7:30; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55; Sun. 1:00, 4:00, 7:00; Mon.-Thu.

1:40, 4:50, 7:40

La Paloma

471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)
Hotel Rwanda (PG-13) Sun.-Wed. 6:00, 8:35; **The Rocky Horror Picture Show** (R) Fri. 12:00; **Short Cut to Nirvana: Kumbh Mela** (Not Rated) Sat.-Sun. 4:00

LA COSTA

La Costa 6

6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:30; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Sat. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00; Sun.-Thu. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:15, 10:15; Sun.-Thu. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:15; **The Upside of Anger** (R) Fri.-Sat. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; Sun.-Thu. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45

OCEANSIDE

Mission Marketplace 13

College Boulevard and Mission Avenue (760-806-1790)
Beauty Shop (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:05, 11:30, 1:45, 2:15, 4:30, 5:05, 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; **Fever Pitch** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:05; **Guess Who** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:20, 11:50, 1:55, 2:25, 4:35, 5:00, 7:05, 7:35, 9:40, 10:10; **Hostage** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:15, 1:55, 4:45, 7:30, 10:20; **Miss Congeniality 2: Armed and Fabulous** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:35, 2:30, 5:05, 7:50, 10:25; **The Pacifier** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:10, 1:50, 4:50, 7:10, 9:50; **The Ring Two** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:50, 2:30, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25; **Robots** (PG) Fri.-Thu. 11:35, 2:25, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; **Sahara** (PG-13) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 1:50, 4:40, 7:35, 10:20; **Sin City** (R) Fri.-Thu. 11:00, 11:30, 1:45, 2:15, 4:

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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



The Upside of Anger

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; GROSSMONT

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Sin City — Comic-book burlesque of the hard-boiled *film noir*, tougher than tough, cooler than cool, bloodier than bloody, sillier than silly. Robert Rodriguez adapted it — or more accurately, copied it — from Frank Miller's series of graphic novels; and he insisted, to the point of resigning from the Director's Guild, on sharing the directing credit with Miller (besides bringing in his buddy, Quentin Tarantino, as a "guest director" of unspecified services). Different first-person narrators guide us through the different, dovetailed storylines, but always with the same hammerhead tone of voice: "I'm gonna find that son of a bitch that killed you, and I'm gonna give him the hard goodbye." The baroque black-and-white photography, with digital dabs of color for a red dress, green

eyes, blue eyes, golden hair, blood, etc., may at first be "visually arresting" (thank you, *Newsweek*), but over the long haul it's visually imprisoning. Bruce Willis, Mickey Rourke, Clive Owen, Benecio Del Toro, Jessica Alba, Brittany Murphy, Carla Gugino, Jaime King, Rosario Dawson, Alexis Bledel, Michael Madsen, Elijah Wood, Nick Stahl, Powers Boothe. 2005. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HAZARD CENTER 7; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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, roughly on a par with subpar James Brooks. 2005. ★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; PALM PROMENADE 24; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

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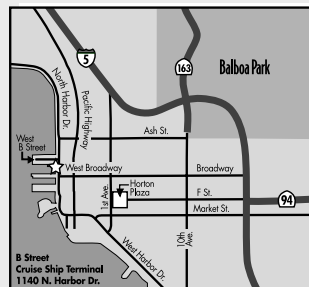
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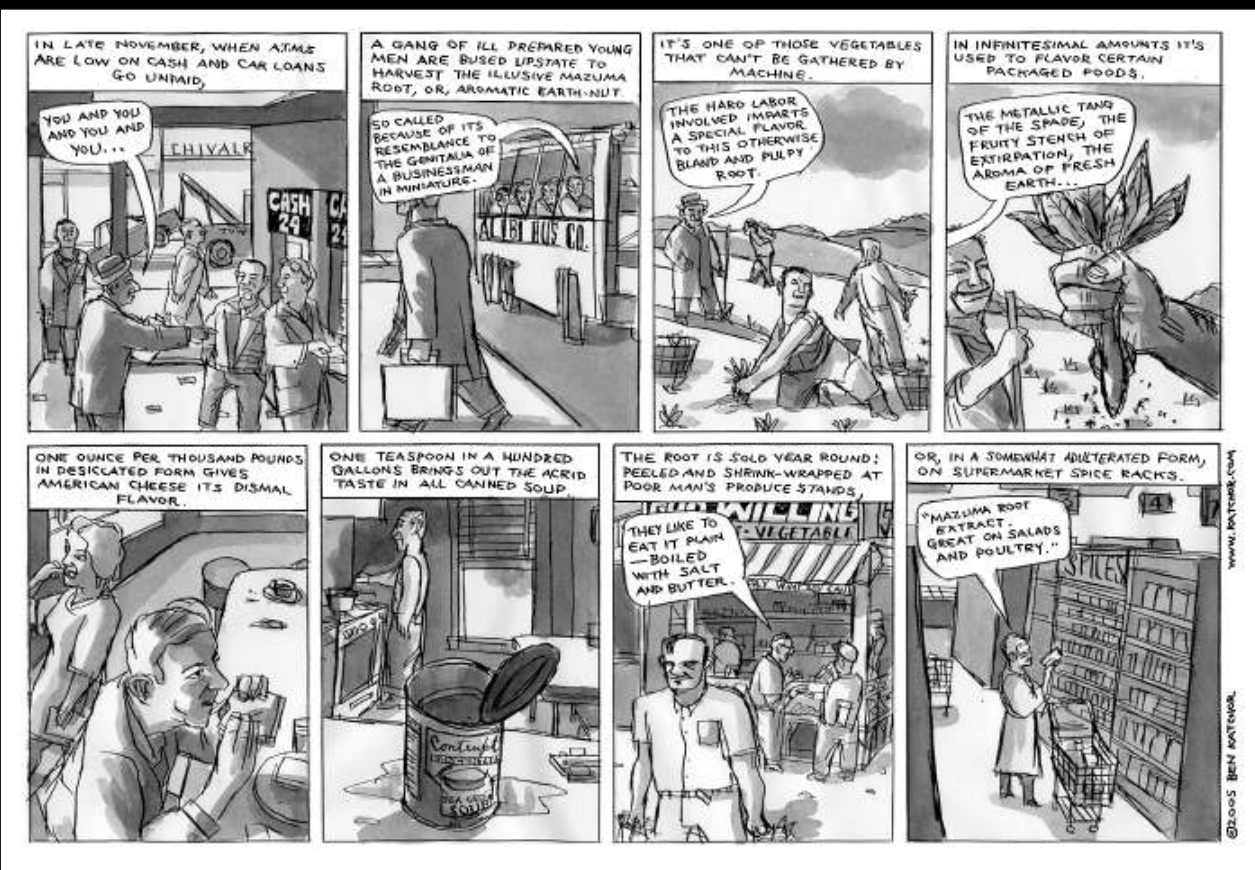
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Junior Seau
Football Player
Oceanside

One of the worst compliments probably wasn't even that bad. I've been told that I look bigger on TV. It's not that often that people say that.



Sam Breinholt
Construction
La Mesa

I have a lot of tattoos; the worst compliment is when people tell me they like my tattoos and then show me their lame-ass, stupid, retarded Marvin the Martian tattoo. [The tattoos are] usually on the upper part of the arm, all faded because the guy got it when he was 17. When you take pride in your tattoos and put some time behind it, it doesn't compare to someone who got drunk in Tijuana and got a butterfly tattoo on their lower back. I just don't like putting up with their asinine comments and be nice to them instead of telling them what kind of idiots they are. It's hard to respect people when they don't have respect for themselves.



Diana Duke
Student
Linda Vista

You're looking really, really round. I was six months pregnant when people began telling me this. It's one of those things that you've been programmed to think of as really insulting. The fact that you're carrying a child kind of helps getting over those kinds of comments. If you're not round [when you're pregnant], then you'd have problems; flat babies don't come out right. Sometimes people tell me, "Wow, you're really, really tiny." It's like saying, "What's wrong with your baby; you're too tiny." I think that's more insulting than being round. So, it seems like nobody can ever be happy. The absolute worst is when people tell me not to get excited because I might miscarry; that's pretty insulting.



Shannon Peterson
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Mission Valley

People tell me that I look really young to be married; I'm not sure if they're being a smart-ass or not. I'm 21, and I've been married since November, so I haven't had a long time for people to comment. People are, like, "Wow, you got married pretty young," and I'm just, like, "Thanks." There's really nothing else I can say. My parents were pretty glad because we were already living together, so we got around that whole "living in sin" thing. Sometimes my husband thanks me for not bugging him about washing the dishes, but that only makes me want to nag him more.



Libertad Wright
Waitress
El Cajon

Since I was 15, people have told me that I have child-birthing hips. I waited until I was 21 to have my son, so I proved them wrong for a few years. People still tell me that and I'm not too keen on it because it basically means that I have a big ass. I also get the "Oh, you must be Jewish" because of my nose. I know that the people aren't being racist because I think they ask because they're Jewish. It can be awkward after someone says that and I say "no." My son has really blond hair, so I've had people ask me whose child my son is. They say, "But he's so blond and you're not."

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MEDITATION. Free classes Tuesdays, 7pm; Thursdays, 7:30pm; and Saturdays, 11:30am. Donation not required. Dharma Center, 5059 Newport Avenue, Suite 303, Ocean Beach. www.dharmacenter.com or 858-616-6308.

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PICTURE STORY



The home built by Dr. Frederick Sheldon, 1902. Sheldon, a Vermont native, settled in San Diego at age 25. His rise to prosperity doesn't seem to be a result of his doctoring skills: on Sixth Street (near F), the land he developed became the "Sheldon Block"; he bought 500 acres of coastal property that

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became Ocean Beach.

This house at the corner of Eleventh and D Street was completed in March 1887...three months before Dr. Sheldon died. He'd contracted "typhoid pneumonia" in Ensenada while "in the gold excitement."

— by Robert Mizrachi

PMS STUDY. Women ages 20-45 not on medication or birth control pills with regular menstrual cycles needed for 5-month UCSD sleep and light study. 8 overnight hospital stays required. 5 month study. 619-543-7393.

PORNOGRAPHY RAPES the mind. God's word renews the mind. Enroll in a free Internet correspondence course that is Bible centered. settingcaptivefree.com.

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URINARY INCONTINENCE study at UCSD. BE-DRI, a Nationwide Research Trial for Treatment of Urge Incontinence seeking volunteers. Females over 21 years. Kristen Mangus, kmangus@ucsd.edu, 619-543-3275.

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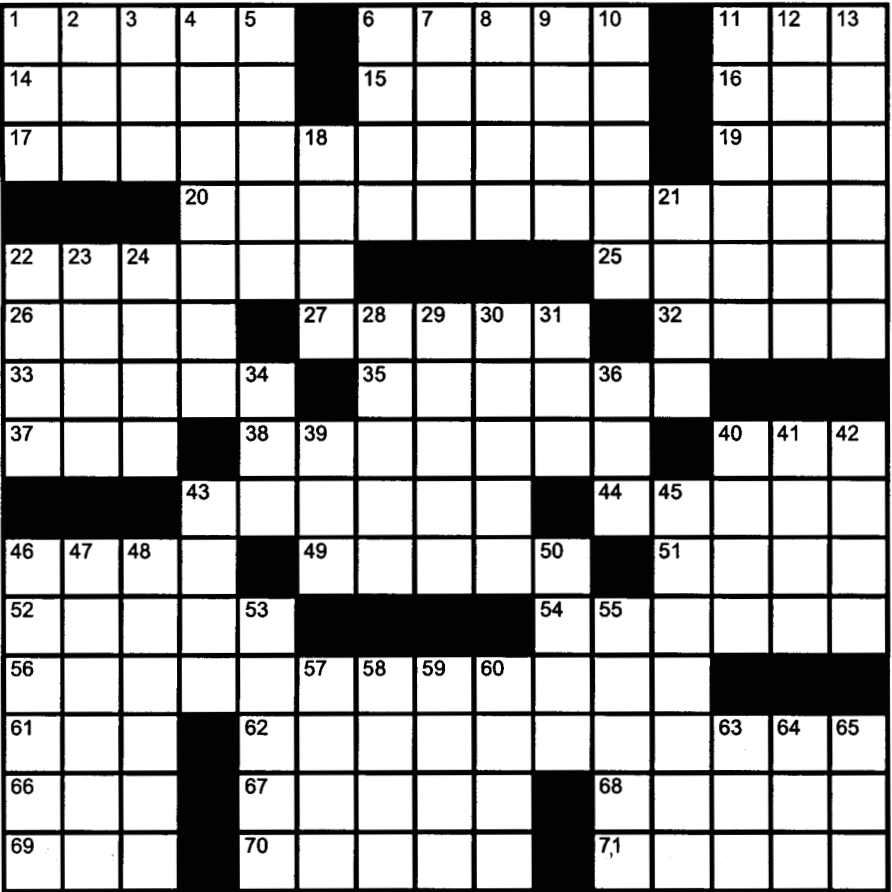
- Across**
- 1. Many chess outcomes
 - 6. Yells “Taxi,” e.g.
 - 11. Center X or O
 - 14. “Weird Al” Yankovic parody hit of 1984
 - 15. New Haven sch.
 - 16. Industrial pollutant
 - 17. Like a BBQ restaurant that really caters to its messy eaters?
 - 19. Hush-hush D.C. org.
 - 20. Woolly lap cover at mealtimes?
 - 22. Radiator front
 - 25. Dimin.’s musical opposite
 - 26. Italian bread?
 - 27. Butterfingers
 - 32. Drooling dog of the comics
 - 33. “Smallville” network
 - 35. Asimov and Newton
 - 37. Last year’s jrs.
 - 38. Good title for a paparazzo’s autobiography?
 - 40. Sugar suffix
 - 43. Band hand
 - 44. Ship salvager’s aid
 - 46. ____ fixe
 - 49. From Oslo, to natives
 - 51. They sometimes flash “12:00”
 - 52. Kinshasa’s river
 - 54. Response to someone pointing
 - 56. Dorothy’s aunt likes to get music online?
 - 61. Jump-offering org.
 - 62. “Enough already!” (or directions for each themed answer in this puzzle)
 - 66. Martini ingredient
 - 67. It’s often squirreled away
 - 68. They’re stored on iPods
 - 69. Tolkien creature
 - 70. Some etiquette rules
 - 71. Senator from Maine

- Down**
- 1. What a drosometer measures
 - 2. Actress ____ Dawn Chong
 - 3. Part of an 800 collect call number
 - 4. Painter Homer
 - 5. Lesley of “60 Minutes”
 - 6. Murderous alter ego of fiction
 - 7. Soc. Sec. supporter
 - 8. Dots in la mer
 - 9. Specification to a butcher
 - 10. Poison ivy relative
 - 11. Blotto
 - 12. St. Francis’s birthplace
 - 13. Monopoly space
 - 18. Use a keyhole, perhaps
 - 21. Whizzes

- 22. Comprehends
- 23. German valley
- 24. Angers
- 28. “The Cider House Rules” actor Delroy
- 29. Carrier name retired in 1997
- 30. Watergate evidence
- 31. Stun
- 34. Obit, essentially
- 36. Young and Coleman
- 39. ____ Andreas Fault
- 40. Number of times coffee filters are used
- 41. Calcutta cover
- 42. Prefix with “while”
- 43. ____ Park, N.Y.
- 45. Infest
- 46. When the Great Lakes were formed
- 47. Any .com
- 48. ____ terrible
- 50. Catwoman portrayer Eartha
- 53. Heart, but not soul
- 55. What straphangers lack
- 57. One-named singer/model filmed by Andy Warhol
- 58. Skin-So-Soft maker
- 59. But: Sp.
- 60. Gluttony and pride, for two
- 63. Rock musician Brian
- 64. Suture
- 65. Mao ____-tung

RULES OF THE GAME

- 1. The prize for solving the *Reader* Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.
- 2. All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* by 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, five days following the issue date (Fax to 619-231-0489 or U.S. Mail to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803).
- 3. All entries must be accompanied by your name and address.
- 4. Employees of the *Reader* and their immediate families are not eligible.
- 5. In the event of disputes or ties, decisions of the judges will be final and arbitrary. We’ve only got five prizes each week to give away, so if there are more than five winners, we’ll have a lottery.
- 6. All answers must be entered in the space allowed on the puzzle page. And please, no phone calls or trips to our office.
- 7. One entry per person.



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Of the 75 entrants, 68 were correct. The winners are:

- 1. Gayle Studer, *San Diego*
- 2. Pamela Swain, *San Diego*
- 3. D. Grazda, *San Diego*
- 4. Paul Molluzzo, *San Diego*
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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"+. (4/20) ☎34677

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SERIOUS MAN WANTED. 31, white, very attractive, loving, outgoing, seeks white male, 25-45, play no games, marriage in mind, love kids and loves life. (4/20) ☎34657

EAST COUNTY, SEXY, sassy, curvaceous, 50s redhead, full of life, love adventure, spiritual. Seeking 5'9"+, 45+, nonsmoker, sexy, fun, honest, sensitive, passionate, secure gentleman. (4/13) ☎34135

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. (4/20) ☎34656

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VIETNAMESE, BUDDHISM, independent, confident, kind heart. Seeking caucasian, 28-42, loyal, respectful, thoughtful, affectionate, financially stable, communicate, outdoors, nature, dining, nonsmoker, nondrinker, nongambler, for lasting relationship. (4/20) ☎34659

VERY ATTRACTIVE BLONDE, early 50s, 5'3", slim, intelligent, seeking fit, attractive, humorous professional, 5'9"+. Enjoy movies, music, theatre, dining. (4/13) ☎34136

PRETTY ASIAN, SWEET, personable. Enjoys travel, outdoors, dining, sunsets. Seeking white professional, 50s, fit, educated, financially secure, generous, good

values, nonsmoker, caring, understanding, serious relationship. (4/20) ☎34653

LOOKING FOR LOVE. Blonde beauty with integrity, class, and herpes, seeks sweet-heart, 40s-50s, who is handsome, caring, intelligent, and funny, for committed relationship. North County. (4/20) ☎34660

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VANILLA LOVES CHOCOLATE. Pretty brown-eyed blonde, curvaceous, adventurous, spontaneous. Seeking tall, educated, quality, black male, kind, sincere, caring, romantic. Enjoy dancing, movies, 40-50. (4/13) ☎34644

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HAPPILY SINGLE LADY, 62. Seeking male, 65-72, for occasional day trips, casinos, dining, coffeehouses. Must be sober, mellow, fun. Beard a plus, very casual. (4/20) ☎34650

ME: ASIAN, AVERAGE FRAME, 23. New to area. Looking for professional/hard-working man, 26-39, to hang out with on a casual or deeper level. (4/20) ☎34669

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East County

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MOUNTAINS, CABIN, LOVE, attractive black artist, property owner, seeks large, attractive, passionate white female, 180+lbs. for serious, permanent, one-on-one relationship. (4/13) ☎34487

EAST COUNTY, SINGLE MALE, 56, 6', slender, healthy nonsmoker, gray hair, blue eyes. Seeking Asian female for dating and romance. (4/20) ☎34516

TALL, DARK, NICE LOOKING white male, 46, financially/emotionally secure, witty, good personality, nonsmoker. Light drinker, enjoy almost everything. Seeking one female, for relationship. (4/20) ☎34520

PHYSICALLY FIT, ACTIVE, 68, retired, love to travel, movies, desert, cruises. Stable finance. East County. Like to share life with like-minded lady. (4/20) ☎34496

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LIGHTNING SEEKING THUNDER, 57, San Diego native, 175lbs., good hair/looks, exercise, walk a lot, MA Psychology, broker. You: educated, slim, like to exercise, drink wine, travel, successful but still seeking right fit. (4/13) **3**34492

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SEEKING SANCTUARY OF FRIENDSHIP with lady with heart for taking walks, having interesting conversation, sharing in personal growth, honest, slim very young 51. (4/13) **3**34473

LOOKING FOR FRIENDSHIP in North County. 40-year old single white male seeks a female friend to hang out with for possible long-term relationship. (4/13) **3**34478

LOVING, SINCERE, LOYAL, spiritual, healthy, multiracial, 56, widowed, Seeking special lady, for Humphrey's concerts, travel, movies, beach, long-term relationship. (4/13) **3**34464

VERY ATTRACTIVE LADY wanted. First come, I serve. Tall, handsome, 49, entrepreneur, kind, romantic, funny, smart, wanting one lady, 25-48, to pamper, dine, have exciting time. Please be sexy, monogamous, truthful, kind, caring. Be very fashionable and ready for whatever God brings. (4/20) **3**34526

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HEALTHY ONE LOOKING for healthy one, too. Me: 5'10", 175lbs., Caucasian, 61 years young, looking for same from 50-58. (4/13) **3**34486

HANDSOME, FIT, 50, 6'3", 210lbs., white, degreed. Enjoy movies, music, beach, gym, dining, plays, massage, breakfast, biking, walking, scuba. Seeking 40-early 50s partner, attractive, fit, intelligent, financially responsible, similar interests. North County preferred. (4/13) **3**34483

TRAVEL PARTNERS WANTED. Male, 62, like to meet other seniors, male or female to Palm Springs, Laughlin, Nevada and other interesting place. (4/20) **3**34505

PASSIONATE, ADVENTUROUS, intelligent, 50, white male, seeks spirited, fun, 35-45 female to share time with. (4/13) **3**34459

NORTH COUNTY, YOUNG 58, brown/blue, slender, 5'7", varied interests, flexible, stable and easygoing. No games. Seeking special lady to build relationship, share life. (4/20) **3**34502

EMBELLISHED, MIDDLE-AGED Mr. Incredible seeks an evolving lady to meet him halfway. Humor, fun and adventure, insatiable, other options available. Call today. (4/20) **3**34509

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MUSICIAN, TALL, FUN, seeking singer or musician or song writer. I'm 6'2", into a variety of music. 35 or older, positive attitude, peace, nature. (4/13) **3**34485

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HISPANIC MAN, 56, 5'10", nonsmoker, seeks lady for companionship, affection. Enjoy working out, movies, dining, quiet times at home. South County, San Diego area. (4/13) **3**34463

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DIVORCED WHITE MALE, 60+, healthy, sincere, intelligent, easygoing, financially and emotionally secure, seeking divorced white female, nonsmoker, 53-65, for loving relationship. (4/13) **3**34472

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COASTAL PROFESSIONAL, attractive, wholesome, white, 6', 200lbs., vegetarianish, financially independent, Ph.D, seeks slender, emotionally mature, 40s, vegetarianish, romance or commitment. (4/13) **3**34468

HANDSOME, BLACK MALE, now available, 38, 5'11", 170lbs., athletic, funny, romantic. Looking for single, honest female, race not important, honesty is. Your prayers are answered. (4/13) **3**34471

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ATTRACTIVE, BLACK LADY, 35-50, fit, sense of humor, sought for friendship, romance, with successful white male, blue eyes, affectionate, muscular. Let me spoil you! (4/13) **3**34466

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NEBULOUS, DREAMER, salt of earth, 48, seeks smart, funny, frivolous woman for romantic friendship. Museum, walks, coffee, conversations, movies, plays. Open to age, prefer unencumbered. (4/13) **3**34482

EAST COUNTY SINGLE FATHER looking for single mom. I'm 36, have brown hair and green eyes. Please be honest, caring, ready for serious only relationship. (4/20) **3**34500

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. (4/20) **3**34495

ITALIAN, 46, hard worker, seeking nice simple lady for long-term relationship. Open race/age. Nonsmoker/drinker. Enjoy music, dance, romantic dining. Ciao bella. Call. (4/13) **3**34484

WANTED. Female, 45-49, white, nonsmoker, slender, active, smart, playful, caring; loves music, movies, animals, great food; for fun and more, for attorney, 53. (4/13) **3**34467

MALE ENJOYS TRAVELING, especially to Las Vegas, dining out, movies, etc. (4/20) **3**34525

FRIENDSHIP. North County male, 33, seeks female running partner. Other interests include working out, salsa dancing, photography, art and traveling, beach. Seeks attractive, outgoing female. (4/13) **3**34465

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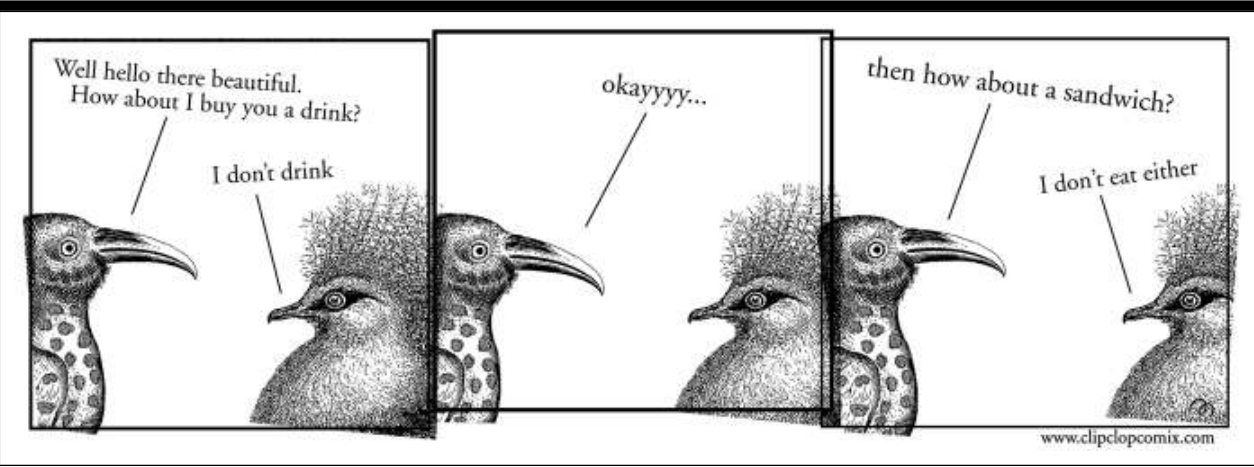
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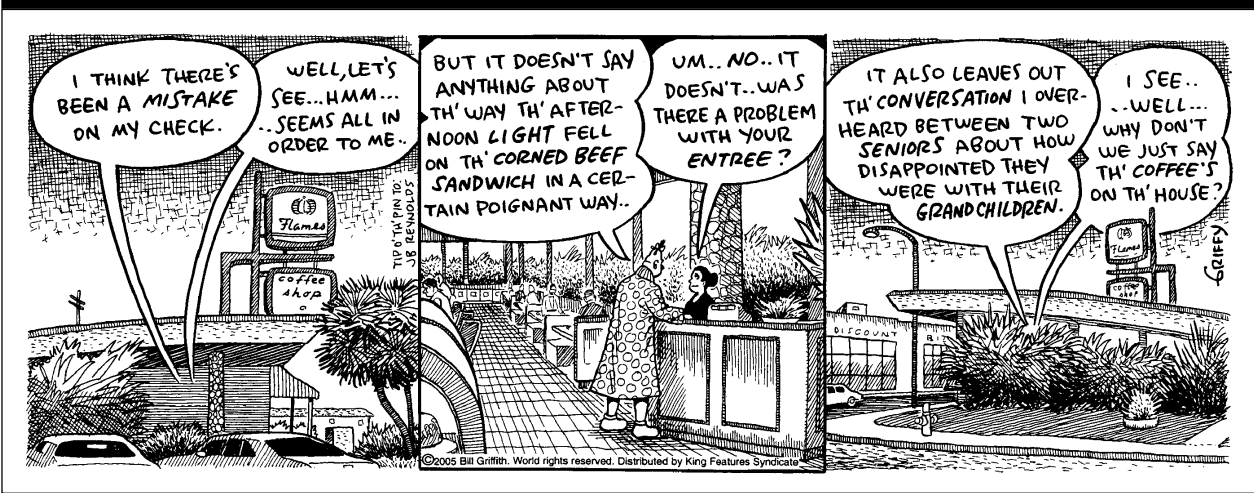
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FASHION VALLEY. \$1100 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. Off-street parking. No pets. At 1330 Eureka Street #31 or #29. Agent, 619-298-5820.

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FASHION VALLEY. The Bluff. 1 bedroom condo, tile/hardwood floors, 1 underground parking, cable/HBO, pool/spa/more. Available mid-April. No pets/smoking. \$1060/month. 619-656-7367.

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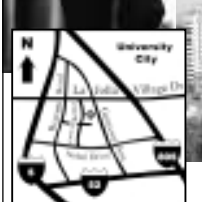
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NORTH PARK. \$1325. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Gorgeous unit. Washer and dryer in unit, microwave, tile countertops in kitchen and bathroom. Private patio! 12-month lease required. Cat OK! Call Sunrise at 858-571-1970.

NORTH PARK. \$735. 1 bedroom apartment. 4031 Hamilton Street, #D. Stove. Refrigerator. Available now. Cat OK. No dogs. www.homes4rent.com. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442.

NORTH PARK. \$875. \$400 off first month! Spacious 1 bedroom apartment located in small quiet complex. Just finished a complete renovation in excess of \$20,000. Full ceramic tile kitchen and bath. Ceramic tile floors with granite accents. All new appliances including microwave, new window treatments, ceiling fans, mirrored wardrobe doors. Built-in dresser in closet. Decorative interior doors. Sorry, no pets. A must see! Off-street parking and laundry onsite. You deserve the best! 3740 Pershing Avenue. 619-725-3648 or 619-846-6615.

NORTH PARK. \$1550. Gigantic 3 bedroom, 2 bath on one level! Modern condo-quality small building. Private garage plus parking. New decor. Upgraded amenities including fireplace, air conditioning, dishwasher, microwave, deck. Gated. Squeaky clean! Laundry. No pets/smoking. 4158 Utah. 858-454-2024.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom apartment, upstairs in senior complex. Parking, laundry. Small quiet complex. Call 619-296-2787.

NORTH PARK. \$725. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Newly painted. Near Morley Field. Gated. Stove. Refrigerator. No pets. Quiet. Available now. 619-466-8380.

NORTH PARK. Move-in special! \$795-\$995. Good credit a must! Very large, nice 1, 2 bedrooms. Pet-friendly! Pool, parking, controlled access, laundry. Clean, quiet. www.jesselproperties.com. 619-640-0112.

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. \$710. 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. \$775. Large, clean 1 bedroom, 1 bath, light, bright, upper unit. Parking, laundry. Courtyard setting. Nonsmoking. 3981 Oregon. 619-318-2905.

NORTH PARK. 1 bedroom for \$800. 3 bedroom, 2 bath with balcony, \$1450. Beautiful highrise with views of downtown San Diego. Call Palisades Pointe, 2828 University Avenue. 619-297-3600.

NORTH PARK. Studio. Newly refurbished. Gas, electric and water paid. Shared yard, some storage. Sorry, no pets. \$675. 619-670-0826; 619-861-3593.

NORTH PARK. \$895. Luxury, 1 bedroom apartment, completely remodeled. Granite counters. Ceramic/hardwood. Garage. Near Morley Field Park. No pets. Behind 3751 Mississippi. 619-464-1652; 619-443-0550.

NORTH PARK. \$725. 1 bedroom apartment. Newly remodeled apartment in triplex. Address: 4174 Wabash Avenue. Xilarent.com. 619-322-8388.

NORTH PARK. \$895. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment with off-street parking. 4349 35th Street. Xilarent.com, 619-683-7638.

NORTH PARK. \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Upstairs/downstairs apartment with bonus room! 2-car garage, parking, laundry. No pets! 4153 42nd Street #1. Call 619-222-4836. x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

NORTH PARK. 1950s Craftsman revival building 2 blocks to Balboa Park. Full restoration just completed. Stainless appliances, maple cabinets, granite countertops, high-speed phone/cable wiring. A must-see at 3365 29th Street, 1 bedroom, \$1150/month. 2 bedroom, \$1400/month. 1 handicap access 2 bedroom. Mark, 619-518-7369.

NORTH PARK. \$1050 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath triplex. Dishwasher,

laundry room. No pets. 3640 Bancroft Street #101. 619-299-8515.

NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$900/month, \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath 4-plex. Parking space, laundry room. No pets. 4541 Hamilton #2. 619-299-8515.

NORTH PARK/NORMAL HEIGHTS. \$700 rent. \$500 deposit. Studio duplex. Parking spot. No pets, at 4541 Hamilton Street #7. Agent, 619-299-8515.

NORTH PARK. \$900 rent. \$500 deposit. 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. No pets. At 4222 Alabama Street #17. Agent, 619-299-0951.

NORTH PARK. \$775-\$925. Incredibly spacious 1 and 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartments. Controlled access, laundry on site, assigned parking, playground, courtyard and much more! A must see! Both are newly remodeled with new everything! 4611 Ohio Street. 858-270-5500 x52. www.msbrovar.com.

NORTH PARK. \$1195. Very large 2 bedroom, 1 bath with balcony, new stove, upper unit. 4370 Hamilton Street. Agent, 858-560-1178.

NORTH PARK. \$695. \$500 deposit. Upper and lower 1 bedroom units. 4086 Swift Avenue. On-site laundry, gated community. Agent, 858-560-1178.

NORTH PARK. \$845. Cute 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex with completely remodeled kitchen and yard. 2327 Boundary. Agent, 858-560-1178.

NORTH PARK. \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, downstairs. Laundry on-site, dishwasher. 4070 Iowa Street. 858-483-3534, www.cal-prop.com.

NORTH PARK. Never lived in luxury condo. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Granite throughout. Stainless steel appliances. Underground parking. Close to freeways. Agent, 619-726-2260 or 619-823-6727.

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. \$875. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet, laundry, parking, hardwood floors. Available now. 4361 Texas Street. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

NORTH PARK. \$750, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet community. Laundry on site. 4450 Boundary #9. 619-563-1215, 619-857-1187.

NORTH PARK/HILLCREST. Spacious 2 bedroom apartment with large closets. Garage available. Laundry, extra storage. Walk to Balboa Park, museums, zoo, Morley Field. \$1100. 619-977-0111.

NORTH PARK. \$825, deposit \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, lower unit. Stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry, gated. 3975 Arizona #2. 619-865-6894.

NORTH PARK. \$925, deposit \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, balcony, washer/dryer, underground parking with elevator. 4155 Georgia #305. 619-297-7662.

NORTH PARK. \$825, deposit \$700. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit with stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, balcony, gated, off-street parking, on-site laundry. Garage available with \$50/month extra. 4360 Hamilton #4. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. \$865, deposit \$700, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1025, deposit \$900, 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath. Large unit with stove, refrigerator, off-street parking, on-site laundry. Blocks to Balboa. 3337 Herman. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. \$855, deposit \$800. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Move-in special! 2nd floor unit with stove, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, balcony, underground parking. Gated with elevator. Cat OK. 3928 Illinois Street #205. 619-843-0798.

NORTH PARK. \$1025, deposit \$800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove, refrigerator, washer/dryer, dishwasher, off-street parking, on-site laundry. 3036 Juniper #3. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. \$875, deposit \$800. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath lower unit with stove, refrigerator, fenced back patio, off-street parking. 4250 Swift Avenue #2. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. \$1225, deposit \$900. 3 bedroom, 2 bath upstairs unit with stove, refrigerator, 2-car garage. Close to all. 4325 Texas Street #5. 619-804-3325.

NORTH PARK. 4534-1/2 51st Street. \$825, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs, no pets, new paint, laundry room, Close to stores. Call Ed, 858-597-6100 x322.

NORTH PARK. \$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.

NORTH PARK. \$1195. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Utilities included. New windows, carpet, paint, bath. Off-street parking. 3983 Utah Street. 619-920-8319.

NORTH PARK. 3967 Illinois Street. \$250 move in special, \$750/rent. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath, new carpet, spacious bedroom, new painting, gated, must see. No pets, no smoking. 858-597-6100 x321.

NORTH PARK. \$950. 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. Large 1 bedroom, \$825/month. Assigned parking. Gated complex, no pets, pool, laundry facilities. 3330 30th Street. 619-405-5379. www.melroyproperties.com.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$995. Large, newly painted upstairs apartment in quiet, gated complex. Large living room with dining area. ON-site laundry and parking. 4146 32nd Street. Manager: Justin, 619-584-4956 or 858-200-9408; Lucille, 619-584-2633.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Central location. Laundry. Cat OK. Off-street parking. Available now. 4178 Illinois Street #8. 619-482-9479.

NORTH PARK. \$875. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Central location. Laundry. Cat OK. Off-street parking. Available now. 3983 Iowa Street #2. 619-482-9479.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, large unit, \$900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, large corner unit, \$975. Newly refurbished, convenient location, laundry, parking. 858-775-4246.

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/NORMAL HEIGHTS. 1 bedrooms, \$675-\$725. Nice ground floor unit, new carpet, quiet setting, off-street parking, convenient location. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, \$895. Large downstairs unit, new carpet, quiet setting, assigned parking, laundry facilities. 3727 Bancroft. No pets. Agent, 619-296-3189.

NORTH PARK. \$925. Large 2 bedrooms. Quiet courtyards, small complexes, all new decor. 4025 Alabama: 1 bath, laundry, big closets. 3740 Wightman: 2 bath. 619-294-8737.

NORTH PARK. \$800. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Hardwood floors, nice patio. Near all. 4613 Park Boulevard. Available May. 619-233-4182.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Large 1 bedroom apartment, gated building, 1 assigned parking space, laundry room onsite. No pets. 4153 Wilson Avenue #1. People Helping Others Property Management. 619-282-5400.

NORTH PARK. \$725. Large 1 bedroom apartment. Upstairs unit, assigned parking, laundry room. No pets. 4171 33rd Street #8. People Helping Others Property Management, 619-282-5400; www.peoplehelpingothers.com.

NORTH PARK. \$1025. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath, upper unit. Appliances, fireplace, balcony, laundry, gated, 1-car garage. 4075 Louisiana #5. 619-698-6911.

NORTH PARK. 2 bedroom, 1 bath with garage. Very private. Coin laundry. \$1025. 3334 31st Street. 619-683-9274.

OCEAN BEACH/POINT LOMA. \$1750. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. Views. Quiet. Patio. Washer/dryer. Dishwasher. Off-street parking. Cats OK. 4266 Montalvo. 619-221-0358.

OCEAN BEACH. Beautiful beachfront ocean view! 1 bedroom, \$950-\$1100, 2 bedroom, \$1300-\$1500. Serene security garden buildings. Hardwood floors, ceramic tile, laundry. Garages available. Pets considered. For address and availability, call 619-224-1748. For applications, call 619-501-5553.

OCEAN BEACH. \$950. 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. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper unit with panoramic ocean views. Small complex. Jacuzzi, pool table, laundry, parking. Washer/dryer. Cats OK. 619-606-8812.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 2 bath. Washer/dryer hookups, minutes from beach. 5180 Longbranch. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1275, \$400 move-in allowance. Nice 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. 1-1/2 blocks to beach, laundry, no dogs. 5047 Longbranch. 858-483-0084.

OCEAN BEACH. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. All amenities. Dishwasher, fireplace, large closets. Pool, laundry, off-street parking. Barbecue area. 4825 Del Mar Avenue. 619-224-9238.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875-\$1200. 1 and 2 bedroom apartments. Quiet. Lease. Off-street parking. 1/2 block Sunset Cliffs. No pets/smoking. 4928 Coronado Avenue. 619-224-6095.

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. 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath. Townhouse. Decks. Bay view. fireplace. Parking. Laundry. No pets. 4754 West Point Loma. \$2500/month. Agent, 858-273-4820.

OCEAN BEACH. \$850/month. Nice upgraded, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, close to park and beach. Kitchen remodeled, tile floors. Nonsmoking. Available 4/10. 858-272-4919.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, garage. Laundry. Pet OK. 4846 & 4848 Orchard. Available 4/15 and 5/7. 619-223-8202.

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 #C. 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. \$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. \$1145. Block to beach! Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Berber carpet. Ceiling fan. Laundry. Shared 35' deck. Parking. No pets. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1000. Pet friendly. 1 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs. 1 block to beach! Laundry facility. 5069 1/2 Brighton

Street. Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$875. 1 bedroom, 1 bath large downstairs apartment with parking and laundry! No pets! Blocks to beach! Call 619-222-4836 x14 or www.sunsetpacificrealty.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$845. 1 bedroom. Upper. Laundry, tropical setting. Quiet complex. 4166 Udall Street #16. Available immediately. 1 mile to the beach. 619-222-9308.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1175. (\$200 off 1st month's rent!) Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Block to beach. On-site laundry. Stop by 4913 Del Mar. 619-226-7368 or 619-987-8079.

OCEAN BEACH. \$895. We have a 1 bedroom apartment available. Gated entry, pool and laundry. No pets. 4990 Del Monte. Call 619-226-7425.

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. \$850. Deposit \$850. Spanish-style 1 bedroom. On-site laundry. Courtyard. Stove. Refrigerator. 1725 Sunset Cliffs Boulevard. Available now. No pets. 619-224-3443.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1300. Deposit \$900. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Dishwasher, large closets, parking, security building. Block to ocean, pool. 4978 Niagara Avenue. 858-273-4042.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 2 bath in luxury gated building. Views and covered parking. Convenient West Point Loma location near Robb Field, beach and YMCA. 4457 Temecula. Open Saturday, April 9, 10-11am. Torrey Pines Property Management, 619-795-8490.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1100. 2 bedroom, 1 bath in garden setting. Close to Robb Field, YMCA and beach. Well-maintained property. Small pets OK with extra deposit. 4447 Mentone. Open Saturday, April 9, 10-11am. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-454-4209 or 858-699-3851.

OCEAN BEACH/POINT LOMA. 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex with ocean views. 2-car garage, washer/dryer. New carpet, paint, fixtures. Nonsmoking. Pet considered. \$1650. 619-847-7969.

OCEAN BEACH. 4526 Montalvo Street. \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, dishwasher, laundry room, parking, small property. Car; Ed. 858-597-6100 x322.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1500, spacious 2 bedroom apartment, fireplace, park view, patio, on-site laundry, parking. Nonsmoking. Pet on approval. Available 4/1? 4680 West Point Loma. 619-221-9047.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1650, utilities included. Large 2 bedroom apartment, fenced patio, on-site laundry, parking, ocean view. Nonsmoking. Pet? Available 4/15? Alley access: 4664 Santa Monica. 619-221-9047.

OCEAN BEACH. Newly remodeled 1 bedroom, \$1025. Close to beach. New carpet, ceramic tile and all appliances. Gated community, courtyard setting, laundry, parking and more! Cats OK, no dogs. 4955 Narragansett. 619-226-3171, www.rasnyder.com.

OCEAN BEACH. Newly remodeled 1 bedroom, \$975. Close to beach. Gated community, laundry, parking, bike room and more! 4929 Del Monte Avenue. Cats OK, no dogs. 619-221-8158. www.rasnyder.com.

OCEAN BEACH. \$900. Bright, sunny. On the beach, 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Available 5/1. New granite flooring. Washer/dryer. Nonsmoking. No pets. 619-222-1633.

OCEAN BEACH. \$900. 1 bedroom. Steps to beach. Next to Newport Avenue shops. New carpet. Charming Cape Cod style, gated building. No pets. Available now. 5060 1/2 Santa Monica. John A. Reis & Company, Inc., 858-272-1348.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1400. 2 bedroom, large upper. Gated. Steps to beach. Next to Newport Avenue shops. Charming Cape Cod style. No pets. Available now. 5064 Santa Monica. John A. Reis & Company, Inc., 858-272-1348.

OCEAN BEACH. \$1295. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. Sunny patio, dishwasher, laundry on site, covered parking. No dogs. Available now! 2169 Mendocino. 619-298-4444.

OCEANSIDE, SOUTH. \$925. Up to 1 month free rent! 1/2 block to beach. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Renovated units. Gated community. Berber carpet, ceramic tile, chrome fixtures, crown molding, etc. Available mid-April. Elaine, 760-722-8924.

OCEANSIDE. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1.25 bath. Remodeled inside and out! Security gate, parking, laundry, pool, spa, gym. Water, trash paid. 6 month lease. 858-273-0110.

OCEANSIDE. 2 bedroom, 2 bath extra large unit. Laundry on site, carport parking. New paint, ceiling. Near shopping and movies. Move-in special. \$1185. 760-716-3571.

OCEANSIDE. \$700. Large, remodeled studio. Nice, quiet, small complex. 1 mile/beach. Secure parking. No pets. Near Oceanside Boulevard and I-5. 1973 Apple Street. 760-754-1708.

OCEANSIDE. \$2200/month with 12-month lease! Luxury, 2800-square-foot! 3 bedroom, 3 bath, 2-story townhome. Vaulted ceilings, fireplace, 2-car garage. New appliances, carpet. Freshly painted. Pool. Jacuzzi. Lagoon view. Private yard with barbecue. 760-721-2802.

OCEANSIDE. Now renting! Beautiful, quiet senior community in Oceanside. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$740. Recreation room with many scheduled activities. On site maintenance. Intercom entry. Close to shopping/freeways. 960 Vine Street. 760-967-0999.

OCEANSIDE. \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Completely remodeled, granite countertops, 2 miles to beach, pool, exercise room. Pets OK. 949-525-2472.

OCEANSIDE. \$1225. 2 bedroom, 2 bath on cul-de-sac. Fenced backyard with gardener. Covered patio, 2 covered parking spaces. Pets OK. Call 760-703-6803.

OCEANSIDE. \$895. Spacious 1 bedrooms. Private yards/balconies. Great location. Pool. Laundry. Barbecue. Free garage, gas utilities, heat. Large closets. No pets. 760-757-4641.

OCEANSIDE. \$1125. Oceana 55 plus/Senior building. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Immaculate, new carpet. 619-640-7682.

OCEANSIDE. \$1,795. Luxurious 4 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath Townhome. Fenced backyard, quiet. Garage. Includes: refrigerator, washer/dryer, security system, etc. John: 858-735-4899 (cell)/760-231-8706/858-405-0420/janlarsen55@yahoo.com.

OLD TOWN. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Great view. 1755 Linwood Street. Small pet OK. Great location. Near all. Available now. 619-295-7570.

OLD TOWN. \$650-\$695. Low \$150 deposit. Fully furnished studios-alcoves on excellent hillside location. Free basic cable. 1616 Guy Street. 619-298-6242.

OLD TOWN. 2530 Juan Street. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$800/month. 619-262-0909.

OLD TOWN. Fully furnished large studio. \$650. Off-street parking, on-site laundry. Available now. 2065-1/2 San Diego Avenue. Leave message, 858-270-9086.

OLD TOWN. \$875. Large 1 bedroom upper. View deck. Off-street parking, on-site laundry. No pets. 2085 San Diego Avenue. Leave message, speak slowly, 858-270-9086.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$900/month. 1 bedroom (700 square feet), 1st floor unit. No pets. Off-street parking. Laundry facility. 1846 Oliver Ave. Call Manager, 858-272-5304.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1,450. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. New carpet and paint, large unit overlooking pool. Available now. 2002 Missouri #13. 858-212-4343.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$1395. Large 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath townhouse. Near bay. New carpet. Patios. Parking. Large closets. Available 4/9. No smoking. 760-944-1523.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. \$1700. 2 bedroom, 2 bath penthouse. New paint/carpet, move-in condition. 1 parking. Crown Point view. 3833 Lamont. Available 4/1/05. 619-335-3922.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1095. Charming, bright 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Covered secure parking. Near pool, tennis court. Gym. Available now. Plaza Condominiums. No pets. 858-454-7660.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Bright, clean upper unit. Quiet. Laundry onsite. Close to beach and bay! No pets. 858-273-3233.

PACIFIC BEACH. Oceanfront 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo with garage parking. \$2250/month. No pets. Contact techshark@prodigy.net or 619-225-2222.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1100. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Top floor. Security building, underground parking, pool, balcony, new carpet. Close to bay, 1830 Thomas. 619-276-8481; 619-787-8481.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1395. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath apartment. All appliances. Laundry room. 2 parking spaces. No smoking/pets. Central location. Available now. 858-272-7616.

PACIFIC BEACH/LA JOLLA. \$950. Close to ocean, 1 bedroom apartment. Quiet and bright. Small complex with garden. Nonsmoking. No pets. 870 Agate. 858-459-1352.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1600. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Off-street parking. Full kitchen. Laundry. Lease required. Chalcadony Street. Available now. No pets. Leave message, 858-454-3841.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$2280. Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath townhouse. Fireplace, high ceilings, 2 balconies, private patio, all appliances, washer/dryer hookups, parking. 760-747-1474; 760-415-7882.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1,050. 2 bedroom beach bungalow-style duplex. Quiet, clean. Hardwood floors, 2 parking spaces, laundry. Available immediately. 3446 Del Rey Street. 858-495-1798.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1495. Nicely remodeled, sunny, 2 bedroom, upstairs apartment in small complex. 3 blocks to beach. Laundry. No pets. Must see! 1025 Diamond. 858-274-3124.

PACIFIC BEACH. New condo, 2 bedroom, granite kitchen, in-unit washer/dryer, hardwood/carpet floors, parking, city/Mission Bay view. \$1600. 1964 Chalcadony. Call 858-405-3536, 858-272-1640.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1550. Large upper 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Secure building. 2 parking spaces. Pool, gym, tennis, laundry. Balcony, dishwasher. Nonsmoking. 1775 Diamond Street #1-216. Available 4/29. 858-272-5402.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$750. Studio. Full bath. Dog OK. Available 5/1. 4733 Haines. Call agent, 619-379-9037.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$950. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cozy, 2 blocks from beach, laundry, pool. 930 Thomas Avenue #24. CCPM, 858-270-1619.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$100+ move-in special! \$1295. Large upstairs 2 bedroom, 2 bath unit. Laundry, parking. Quiet gated complex. No pets. 2166 Grand Avenue. 858-483-5094.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$2400. 3 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, microwave, refrigerator, patio. Water included. 1150 Thomas #1 and #3. No pets. 858-336-7997.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$900/month. Upstairs, 1 bedroom, \$900, on-site laundry, 1 parking space, refrigerator. Available now. 619-435-3830; 619-274-9960.

PACIFIC BEACH. \$1000. Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry facilities. Parking. Carpet. Stove. Refrigerator. 1488 Reed. Indoor cat OK. Balcony. Deposit, \$1000. Manager, 858-272-1488.

PACIFIC BEACH, NORTH. \$1050. \$1050 deposit. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 3 blocks to beach. Small yard. Stove. Refrigerator. Pet friendly. 4881 Cass. Available now! 310-831-2379.

PACIFIC BEACH/CROWN POINT. 1 bedroom, brand new, never lived in, spectacular view of Mission Bay, Downtown, Point Loma, granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, 2 underground secured parking spaces, elevator building, \$1600, 619-726-7650.

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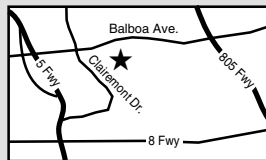
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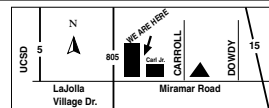
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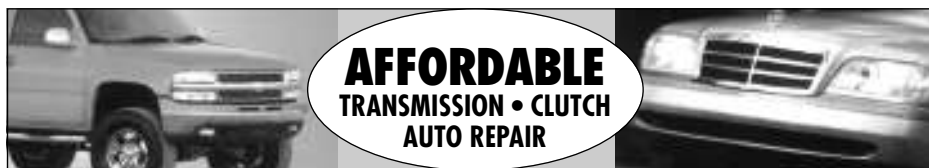
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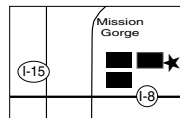
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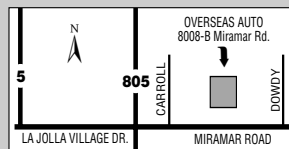
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The Unruly Mob, on Two Continents

— On Thika highway in Nairobi, Kenya, in February, frenzied and hungry villagers brawled for access to meat from a baby hippopotamus (about 1,700 pounds) that had been killed by a passing vehicle. Amidst the kicking and punching, two people were stabbed.... Two weeks earlier, in the London suburb of Edmonton, 6,000 Ikea customers rioted, vying for on-sale sofas (80 percent off) and other bargains. Said one customer, "There were people diving on sofas" and "tugging at two different sides of the same sofa and shouting 'mine, mine.'" At least 20 people were taken by ambulance to hospitals.

Protests

— In London, 35 Greenpeace protesters rushed onto the floor of the International Petroleum Exchange in February, intending to paralyze oil trading on the day the Kyoto environmental initiative took effect, but, unexpectedly, the traders turned on them, punching and kicking the protesters until they ran for their lives. (Two were hospitalized.) Said one protester, "I've never seen anyone less amenable to listening to our point of view."... New Zealand computer technician Simon Oosterman, 24, who says he goes naked everywhere in public to protest society's dependence on the automobile, paused outside an Auckland district courtroom in February, took clothing from his backpack, and got dressed

to step inside to enter his not-guilty plea to an earlier charge of indecent exposure.

Florida Children At Risk

— After several incidents of teacher-student sex in Florida, it was almost a relief in January that Perry, Fla., teacher Natalie Whalen, 58, was accused only of biting a student (who had tried to take a CD player from her desk) or that, in February, Orlando high school chemistry teacher David Pieski, 42, was accused only of teaching his class how to make a bomb. But the crisis returned in March when a man revealed in a divorce deposition that not only had he had trysts with his son's Boynton Beach elementary school music teacher, Carol Flannigan, but so had the son.

Oops!

— The Transportation Security Administration removed a screener from Newark Liberty International Airport in February and scheduled retraining after a passenger reported that she had inadvertently been allowed to pass a checkpoint with a butcher knife in her purse. The passenger, Katrina Bell, 27, was not charged with a crime because she had merely forgotten about the knife, having put it there earlier in the week before heading out on a "blind date."
— In a suburb of Houston in February, a 16-year-old boy was charged with shooting his father, Jacob Hughes, 43, because he mistakenly believed Dad was beating up Mom. However (according to KPRC-TV), sheriff's deputies, after investigating the alleged domestic abuse, said that the couple were merely having robust sex, during which the mother apparently got really loud, which awakened and frightened the boy and his younger brother.
— The executive director of Chicago's New City YMCA was fired in December following a major scheduling snafu. The facility's pool had been reserved for a kids' swim meet beginning on a Sunday morning at 7 a.m., but the facility had also been reserved (for Saturday overnight, until 8 a.m. Sunday) for a ball and fashion show for transsexuals. Parents arriving with their kids had to pass gaudily dressed men on their way to the locker rooms and allegedly found the floors lit-

tered with cigarette butts and condoms.

Family Values

— Beverly Fisher, 48, was arrested in Smyrna, Ga., in February for allegedly throwing cans of beer at one son and beating another because he had refused her request to roll marijuana joints for her.... Police in New York charged in February that when Christopher DiMeo robbed the jewelry store in Glen Head and murdered a salesperson (one of an alleged string of brutal jewelry store robberies and murders), his mom, Maryann Taylor-Casey, was driving the getaway car.

People Different From Us

— Dallas artist James Sooy, 22, weary of his eyeglasses constantly slipping down his nose, had a practical piercing done in December, inserting a bar through the upper bridge of his nose and having his prescription lenses affixed to it. Sooy seemed to believe there was money to be made with the idea, but an optometrist interviewed by the Houston Chronicle said prescriptions would be harder to adjust "if you have a hole in your face," and a Houston body-modification technician said work like Sooy's would require a longer-than-normal healing time.
— Matthew Porter, 25, was arrested on the Bear Creek Park Frisbee Golf Course in the Dallas suburb of Grapevine, Texas, in February, and charged with possession of marijuana after a police officer said he smelled dope in a group of men that included Porter. Porter had no marijuana on him at the time, but while the officer was checking the men's identification, Porter's Labrador retriever, J.D., emerged from an adjacent pond, apparently having obediently (though unwisely) "fetched" a plastic bag containing 4 grams of marijuana.

Recurring Themes

— Another baseball fan sued after being hit by a foul ball that he allegedly first tried to catch (this time being Elkins Park, Pa., dentist Neil Pakett's lawsuit against the Philadelphia Phillies, in February).... The U.S. Forest Service again exercised its brand-new authority to send a bill

to a person who started a major fire (this time the 2003 fire in California's Mendocino National Forest, for which Jason Hoskey, 26, was asked in February to please cover the firefighting cost of \$18.2 million).... Once again, a plane crashed into a cemetery, strewn bodies among the graves (this time killing two at the St. Lawrence Cemetery, Knottsville, Ky., in December).

The Continuing Crisis

— Also in the news recently, the Norwegian tree ski-jumping championship was held in Hallingskarvet, in which the object was to ski into a tall tree and hang from it at a higher point than anyone else (March).... Parent Peter Dukovich was acquitted of most charges in the post-game assault of a high school basketball referee after he testified that he didn't know the man was a referee (despite the striped shirt and his repeatedly blowing a whistle during the game) (Allegheny County, Pa., January).... Two financially unsavvy Ramsey, N.J., teenage burglars were arrested after taking \$100,000 in cash from a home but ignoring \$900,000 in fully negotiable bearer bonds (January).

Testicles in the News

— In February, Amanda Monti, 24, of Birkenhead, England, was sentenced to 30 months in jail for ripping off one of her ex-boyfriend's testicles with her bare hands in a rage over his refusal to have sex. (According to witnesses, Monti briefly hid the testicle in her mouth, but a friend retrieved it and handed it back to the man, saying, "That's yours.")... In February, Welsh rugby fan Geoff Huish, 26, was so certain Wales would lose to England that he told club patrons in Caerphilly that he'd "cut (his) balls off" if Wales won. Immediately following Wales' 11-9 victory, Huish went home, fulfilled his promise, and walked, gingerly, back to the club to show that he was a "man" of his word.

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COLLEGE AREA, moving sale! Saturday 4/9, 8am. Bicycles, air conditioner, clothes, tools, housewares, TV's, home/office furniture, lighting, baby gate, stereo/speakers. 5059 67th Street.

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wares, clothes, tools, books, records, tapes, games, puzzles, computers, huge photo darkroom, historic photos, golf clubs. 11637 Valle Vista.

MIRA MESA. Multifamily rummage sale. 8am-noon, Saturday, 4/9. Furniture, appliances, clothing, toys, miscellaneous items. Something for everyone. Arcurus Way, between Bootes/Westonhill, Thomas Brothers 1209-D2.

MISSION HILLS. Garage sale. Saturday, 4/16, 8am-3pm. Sports memorabilia, posters, bottles, collectibles, baseball bats, games, puzzles, china, dining room set, household, clothing. 4501 Arista Street.

NORMAL HEIGHTS. Saturday, April 9, 8am-3pm. Everything must go! Collectibles, books, kitchenware, furniture,

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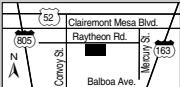


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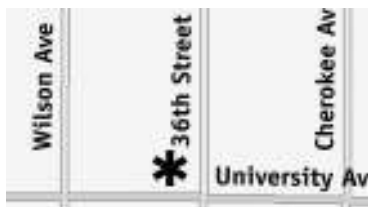
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POSSESSION/PASSING COUNTERFEIT MONEY

Location: 3596 University Avenue, North Park
Time/Date: 10:47 p.m. on 3/19/05

Officer's Investigation: Officer Patrick #5964 and I were dispatched on a "Desk Call" of a male passing a counterfeit \$100 bill to one of the entertainers at the Minx Showgirls lounge.

Upon my arrival I met with Gunner R., the reporting party, in the rear parking lot. Gunner is the General Manager of the establishment...[and] told me that the Hispanic male with the fictitious \$100 bill had been handcuffed because he became agitated when confronted



about the authenticity of the bill. Gunner went on to tell me that Shalia M., one of the entertainers, after performing a "lap dance" was refused payment of \$40 for her services by the Hispanic male and customer [and then] the male gave her the \$100 bill. Gunner gave me the \$100 bill. Gunner told me that even though he could tell it was false, he put it under the black light to confirm that it was indeed counterfeit. I looked at the bill and could see the color was off and when I flipped the bill over I could see it had some white edges as if it had been photocopied incorrectly.

I asked the male for his name and he told me "Fernando J." I asked him for his date of birth and he told me 03-24-1981. In the course of my investigation I asked him if he had been arrested in the past or if he was on parole or probation and he said, "No." He spoke broken English and was under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. I spoke to him in Spanish because he understood it

better. I then showed him the \$100 bill in question...[and] asked him if he knew it was fake and where he got it. He said, "No, I thought it was real because I got it from a check-cashing place." I asked him which check-cashing place and he could not tell me. He kept apologizing and saying it was given to him. He recanted and said his former boss from the "Star of India" on Garnet paid him with it when he worked there as a cook.

Officer Patrick told me that one of the security guards told him that Fernando said he got the bill from a bank. I contacted the Watch Commander for the Financial Crimes Detective. I was put in contact with Sgt. T. Saelens #3426 who told me to arrest Fernando. Essentially the Sgt. told me it was my call if I felt whether or not the suspect was being honest with me.

I transported Fernando to the Mid City Substation where I performed a live scan fingerprinting. I did a computer check. I could not find anyone matching the identity provided by Fernando. The results of the live scan revealed his true identity as Fernando E., previously arrested for narcotics possession and for intoxication in public. I asked Fernando if he was a citizen of the United States and he said no. I asked him if he was previously deported and he said no. I had Border Patrol meet me at headquarters, where an Immigration hold was placed on Fernando pending release from jail.

ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON

Location: 500 Pitta Street, Emerald Hills
Time/Date: 11:30 p.m. on 3/20/05



Officer's Investigation:

Detective Felix Aguirre #3202 and I responded to a radio call of a 245 shooting. Upon arrival, multiple police units were already on the scene. I made contact with the victim, D.D., who was being treated by SDFD Medic #62. I accompanied D. in the ambulance while the medics transported him to Mercy Hospital.

D. was intoxicated when I spoke to him. D. told me that he was in his apartment around 11:00-11:30 p.m. He decided to contact his downstairs neighbor, Lamar, to see if he could buy some marijuana. Another black male was also downstairs talking to Lamar. D. has seen this male several times in the past, but has never had any problems with him. D. did not know the male's name.

When D. went downstairs to get some marijuana from Lamar, he said "hello" to the male, but did not say anything else. D. denied there was any kind of verbal argument between them...At this point, D. took out his

money and started to count it in his hands. When he looked up, he saw the male pointing a handgun at him. The male quickly said, "Homey, what's up, homey?" D. was surprised by the gun and instinctively grabbed for [it] to prevent the male from shooting him....the male fired off 3-4 shots at D., striking him once in the left hand and once in the right side of his stomach.

CARJACKING

Location: 7600 Linda Vista Road, Clairemont Mesa East
Time/Date: 8:45 p.m. on 3/21/05



Incident: A sixty-year-old security guard was sitting in his vehicle with the driver's door open when the black male suspect approached him and asked for a ride. The victim refused and the suspect grabbed him by the shoulders and pulled him out of the vehicle. The suspect then backed the car up, running over the victim's leg. A witness confronted the suspect and hit the driver's window with a skateboard, breaking the window and cutting the suspect. The suspect then drove off, taking the southbound 163 on-ramp.

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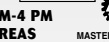
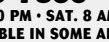
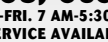
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This is what happened. I wrote a book, submitted it to several publishers, and got rejected. I wrote another book, found a New York agent and a New York publisher. Within a week I had sold the film rights to 20th Century Fox, quit my job, and settled into what felt like an extended dream world, one in which I was able to go to sleep and wake up without the scenery changing. This is it, I thought, my beginning of a writer's life. I bought a new car and each time I went outside I expected to find it gone, with a note that read Terrible Mistake Now Rectified.

Several weeks before my actual publication date, a friend informs me that my book is listed on Amazon.com. Already? I said, the faintest suggestion of coy surprise in my voice. I attempt to sound casual but inside I am hula dancing naked with George Clooney and he is saying Baby I didn't know you were a writer.

After a period of insensate glee at my book simply being for sale on



the Internet, the first Amazon customer review is posted. Five stars, from my mother, cleverly disguised as A Reader. "Suzanne Finnermore is the spokeswoman for our time." A couple more people write reviews, either four or five stars. In a quasar of accolade, my Amazon sales rank number soars from 1,439,003 to 707. I begin thinking about a new house, something with an extra

bathroom and a pool. I am touring French country cottages in my mind. Aix is awfully nice.

Then it happens. My first bad Amazon customer review. As in tornadoes, there is no warning. One star. A Reader From DC wishes I would catapult myself from a tall building. Then I should be chopped into tiny pieces, like a vampire — pieces that are then mailed separately to different continents, so that I won't reconstitute myself and start looking for a pencil.

I cry for an hour: Why me? Why?

I then call ten friends and insist they write Amazon reviews. Five stars, I mumble, I need five.

But I haven't read it yet, some of them say.

It doesn't matter, I reply.

They laugh, not realizing I am serious.

Eventually the good-friend reviews are posted, knocking mister one star off the top. Then a Reader From New York writes an even worse review — for some reason giving me two stars. He loathes my writing, my characters, my plot and my publisher; it is the grand slam of reviews. What would merit one star to this person, I muse. A grease trap?

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Jan's Reminder of Home

Jan Prochazka is a soccer player from Gothenburg, Sweden, recruited to attend USD and play for the college soccer team. "We have three players from Sweden," he tells me. "Our coach here knows a coach over there who told him about us. Then a person from USD came to watch us."

When I ask about driving in Sweden compared to here, Jan says, "Well, in Gothenburg, the traffic is almost never bad. Not so many people drive. They don't need to drive because the public transportation is so good. It's better to go places that way than to drive all the time."

"Not like San Diego public transportation," I admit. "So you brought the Volvo with you from home?"

"No," he says, "I got it after I came here."

"For patriotic motives, to support

the Swedish economy?"

"No. You see, I'm driving the Volvo because it's the best car. It is at least as safe as the Mercedes or the BMW or any of the American cars, I think. And this S40 model, it's not so expensive like the big ones. The S40 is made for young people, ages like 16 to 35 or so."

In my Corolla, when I feel like a moving target on a busy freeway, I have wondered if the small Volvo would give me the handling ease of a compact and let me feel more secure.

"And you think even this smaller model is safe?" I ask.

"Oh yes. I have gone to Los Angeles for parties, and in the Volvo I don't feel in any danger. In Sweden I drove the S80, the big one, for a while. I like the S40 better. It handles better and of course it doesn't cost so much."

"How much does it cost?"

"About \$22,000."

"But do you think it's anywhere near as safe as the big ones?"

"All Volvos are safe. I have a

friend who got into a wreck with a Volvo. She was driving a Mustang. And the Mustang got bent and smashed, but the Volvo hardly got a dent. After that accident, her whole family went out and bought Volvos."

"Was she here in the States, or in Sweden?" I ask.

"She was over here."

"So in Sweden," I say, "where people must agree they're the safest car, does most everybody drive a Volvo?"

"Volvo has around 70 percent of the market. Saab is also Swedish; and then we have quite a few European and Japanese cars. Ford is the strongest American brand. You very seldom see any other American brands."

Remembering my first Volvo, like the one that mangles a wife's lover in the film version of *The World According to Garp*, I ask, "Are there many old Volvos in Sweden? I had a '57 and it was a favorite car of mine."

"Not so many. The old cars are cool, I think, but they are rare. Most of



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them are only shown on exhibitions around the country."

"The Volvo as automotive art," I say.

"It looks nice," Jan says. "Here at USD, it's best to have a car that looks good."

"Because so many of the other students drive fancy cars, right?"

"Yes, and I think the Volvo S40 looks better than the Mercedes or the BMW or any of them."

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THE ICE OF THE DANUBE RIVER HAD THAWED A LITTLE and flat chunks flowed along the bank. I walked from the Chain Bridge into the Pest half of Budapest, shielding my face against biting wind.

I figured I couldn’t make it the ten blocks to my hostel without my body freezing. I backtracked a block. I looked for warmth and booze and a tavern sign. A man emptying his bladder onto the sidewalk was sign enough. I approached him and mounted the steps that led from his urine puddle to a door. Angry guttural Hungarian rose from the pissing man; his vocalized rage was clipped off by the door that closed behind me.

Inside the bar stares at me. The locals muttered to each other and pointed at me. The bartender was nice enough. She was an Eastern European beauty with the golden hair and gauzy blouse that turns a tiny neighborhood bar into a hotspot. Local men had spent dozens of iron winters under the worn glove of foreign rule, communist rations, and oppression. The bargirl’s cleavage drew the oldsters in and kept them in their seats longer than the local housewives would prefer. Here I was, stealing her from them.

I undid my coat, pulled off sweaters, and unwrapped my scarf, piling my stinking woollens on the barstool in front of me. After a series of gestures passed between me and the curvaceous, curly-haired tender of the bar, a pint of beer materialized before me. The locals nudged each other with thick elbows and nudged me with furled brows.

I finished my beer and ordered another, trying to keep my attention away from the regulars and on the TV over the bar. The hand on the remote control kept thumbing the channel button. Conferences broke out within the gray mob every time a new selection was made. Click. Grumble. Click. Grumble.

The TV flashed a blue and red infrared outline of a man. Three hoary heads from the far side of the bar cocked sideways, trying to make sense of the image. Then Arnold Schwarzenegger, in cammo fatigues, forged his way through an on-screen jungle.

“Ah. Stallone. *Cobra*,” one of the patrons said.

“Nope,” I said catching the collective gaze of the crowd and pointing to the screen.

“That’s Arnold.”

“Ah. Arnold,” another said in agreement.

I held my finger aimed at the screen, “and that’s *Predator*.”

“Ah. *Prrraahdahtoor*,” they repeated. “*Prraahdahtoor. Prahdahtor. Arnold.*”

“Exactly,” I said, having gained the group’s confidence. The girl thumped down a fresh mug of beer in front of me. When I tried to hand her money, she refused, jabbing her right thumb at the regulars to say, *It’s on them*.

WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

MLB BASEBALL
SD 4, 7:00 P.M.
Looks like it’s baseball season again. In this particular event, our Millionaires (Padres) face off against Pittsburgh’s Millionaires (Pirates) and challenge each other in a complicated game of tag to see who can score the most points. Pay attention, folks. This is important stuff.

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man awakens to find a plastic-headed King of Burgers in his bed. Sure, you always expected Mayor McCheese to force his way into your home and chase you around with a sharpened screwdriver, but the King?

8 MILE (2002)
VH1, 8:00 P.M.
Brittany Murphy’s raunchy, palm-licking sex scenes are well worth suffering through the formulaic emotional-triggers that make up the rest of this film. Sure, Eminem’s a paper tiger who couldn’t fight his way out from under a heavy quilt, but he got to unroll Murphy’s drawers from beneath her skirt. Say what you will.

FRIDAY, APRIL 8
WHAT THE #\$*! DO WE KNOW!? (2004)

ON DVD
I convinced some friends to rent this DVD because I thought it would be about Quantum Theory and how we’re affected by it. We made it halfway through before our bullshit meters went to 11. I was surprised to see the cast of characters includes an excommunicated priest, Marlee Matlin, and Ramtha the 35,000-year-old warrior spirit from — hold onto your socks, folks — the lost city of Atlantis. *Whoa-ho!*

SATURDAY, APRIL 9
KRIPPENDORF’S TRIBE (1998)
WB, 8:00 P.M.
Jenna Elfman has commented in the Scientology magazine, *Celebrity*, that her goal in life is to clear the planet. By “clear the planet,” she means to rid the world of “body thetans” — aliens who have inhabited the Earth since an evil dictator, Xenu, brought them here 75 million years ago. I can’t top that. I can’t come up with a joke that’s better than that.

DRAGONBALL GT
TOON, 10:00 P.M.
I’ll tell you what kind of kids watch *Dragonball GT* at 10:00 on a Saturday night: the kids in my neighborhood. There’s a bright-red neon sign down the street from my house that touts its beef to be “Black Angus.” Not a single kid has thought to fire a rock up at that “g” and turn the sign into something worth looking at; something that brings mirth to those who view it. I’m not mad at the kids for choosing cartoons over mischief. I’m just disappointed.

SUNDAY, APRIL 10
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA POKER TOUR
FOX, 11:00 A.M.
A dozen friends and I are going to Las Vegas for my birthday in a couple of months. Rather than play out the clichéd scenes from *Fear and Loathing*, I’d rather recreate Andy Warhol’s cross-country trip and wire myself out on amphetamines and acid.

MONDAY, APRIL 11
MISS USA 2005



8 Mile

NBC, 9:00 P.M.
Not to be confused with Miss America, Miss Universe, Miss Teen USA, or Miss Latin America. With the myriad categories each of these pageants holds, we now have a rank and title for every man, woman, and child over the age of 12. I am Miss Photogenic in the tat-tooded, 270-pound-plus category — three years running. You should see the bikini contest.

TUESDAY, APRIL 12
CLOSER
ON DVD
We just got this in the mail. It’s a “Julia Roberts is pissed off about something” movie, but we haven’t watched that. My roommates and I have worn away the section of the disc where Natalie Portman strips, but the rest of the movie is a mystery to us. We’re going to burn that strip-club section to a new DVD and send the original back.

THE AMAZING RACE 7
CBS 8, 9:00 P.M.
Previous *Survivor* winners and millionaires Boston Rob and his wife Amber are on this show. As dumb as Rob comes off on-screen, he is fantastic at these games. I don’t think he’s fit to work in the real world. He might be the first person to make reality television a career.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13
SWITCHING SEXES: THE AFTERMATH
DISCOVERY HEALTH CHANNEL, 7:00 P.M.
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Books have become more than a passion for me.

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I was going to buy a copy of The Power of Positive Thinking, and then I thought: What the hell good would that do?

— Ronnie Shakes

You can always tell book people. They are well dressed and their hair is really clean.

— Overheard by Constance Casey at a bookseller's convention

Teaching has ruined more American novelists than drink.

— Gore Vidal

I felt like poisoning a monk.

— Umberto Eco, on why he wrote the novel The Name of the Rose

My favorite (and I don't know who this guy is) explains why I bought the book containing these gems: "Copy from one, it's plagiarism; copy from two, it's research."

— Wilson Mizner 1876–1933

These are quotes I found in a pristine hardcover copy of The Third and Possibly the Best 637 Things Anybody Ever Said, illustrated by old line cuts, many of which are quite amusing. Again chosen and arranged by Robert Byrne, who bent over backward. That is the

full title. The book cost me \$1.00 because of its hard cover.

The second quote I include because of its irony. Whoever Constance Casey overheard did not share my many experiences at the downtown Central Library weekend book sale, which begins every Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. I see far more uncoiffed, thrift-store-garbed, dandruffed, and generally ragged bookworms — not unlike, say, myself — than fashion plates or people with good haircuts. I believe I showed up in my pajamas (sweatpants, T-shirt, work boots), as usual. I count 19 people lined up to be first at this weekend's book bonanza. Several browsers are used-book sellers, who will shelve their harvest and mark up each volume by multiple dollars (not unfairly, I'm quick to add).

Paperbacks are 50 cents or 3 for \$1.00. Those are the books I cruise for first in deference to my lack of space. I once had thousands of books on hand-painted golden-oak-stained and hand-rubbed waxed bookshelves, but alas, that was a different life and all of that is gone.

At any rate, I bought the Byrne and The Wall by John Hersey, the latter being exactly as old as myself and looking much better. The subject of The Wall is a sidebar of history which fascinates me: the Jews with remarkable gonads (women certainly included) up against hopeless odds and doing it anyway. An absolutely true chapter of heroic history. The Warsaw resistance has a personal meaning for me regarding courage, selflessness, rage, desperation, and existential significance in the context of raw evil.

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I spoke with Dick Hanley, president of the Friends of the Central Library and in charge of the weekend book sales at the downtown location. Hanley, in his 80s, he says — not that you would guess — told me he got into this out of a desire to learn the art of book restoration and bookbinding. He never



quite got to the glue and whatnot, but was told he was really needed in this sales capacity.

At the University Heights branch library, 90-year-old John Sedgwick, an Englishman from Surrey, shepherds their weekend book sales and is second vice president of the Friends of the University Heights Library. One day his sidekick Lynn, the used-paperback honcho, steered me toward a copy of H.B. Wells's The World Set Free, which I'd been in search of for several years.

Books have become more than a passion for me. They are now a full-blown compulsion, and I suspect I am not alone despite the myriad, ubiquitous evidence of illiteracy, retarded erudition and the televised, glorified moronic use of language. Stop by the Central Library (820 E Street), the University Heights Library (4193 Park Boulevard), or a number of other library locations for sales. And if, like me, you come away with, say, Philip Wylie, Joseph Conrad, and Graham Greene for a single dollar, you may, like me, end up cackling all the way home over your wealth.

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