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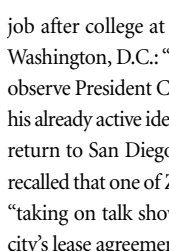
**Epitaphs** Last week, lawyers for ex-San Diego city councilman **Michael Zucchet**, convicted last



Michael Zucchet

summer in the Cheetahs strip club trial, submitted 76 letters written on his behalf by family and friends requesting leniency from a federal judge. Many bitterly disputed the jury's verdict. Others argued that Zucchet should stay out of jail for the good of his young daughter.

Some were based on an everybody-does-it theme, such as the one from **Gary Sutton**: "Bill Clinton accepted donations from two felons and pardoned them. **Dick Murphy** took money from **Corky McMillin** and voted to support his new hotel construction the next week. **Valerie Stallings** made money on **John Moore's** insider stock tip and voted in favor of his ballpark. Nobody came close to jail time." Clinton figured somewhat differently in a plea penned by Zucchet's mother, **Rozanne M. Mack**, who described her son's first



Corky McMillin

job after college at the Department of Energy in Washington, D.C.: "His opportunities to meet and observe President Clinton served to further inspire his already active idealism and reinforce his desire to return to San Diego." Former staffer **Katie Keach** recalled that one of Zucchet's greatest moments was "taking on talk show host **Bill O'Reilly** about the city's lease agreement with the Boy Scouts."

**Jennifer Tierney**, a close friend of ex-mayoral aide **John Kern** and Zucchet's campaign consultant, maintained that Zucchet was "a true innocent, which is why I began referring to him as 'the choir boy' during the campaign." She said, "He does not smoke or drink, or stay out late. He is devoted to his wife **Teresa**, from whom he took the step of converting to Catholicism to marry." Tierney offered her own theory as to why Zucchet had accepted the contributions that were at the center of the government's case against him. "I have spent many sleepless nights wondering what might have been had I suggested something other than keeping some of the money in question," she wrote. "True to his personality, he found it personally difficult to return the money, knowing the tremendous amount of energy it takes to raise several thousand dollars for a candidate with whom the donors do not have a personal relationship. No candidate wants to appear cavalier or ungrateful, since a City Council campaign is built upon the work and goodwill of literally thousands of people."

Family friend **Courtney Clay** recounted an incident involving tickets to the 2003 Super Bowl at Qualcomm Stadium. "Teresa had informed me that she and Mike had the opportunity to purchase tickets in the city's box on the 50-yard-line for \$500 each and they were debating whether to buy them. Being an avid sports fan, I was excited about the prospect of having Mike purchase those tickets for me if he did not use them for himself. Mike was adamant that he had to 'follow the rules' and not buy the tickets for anyone other than himself or family." Sister-

in-law **Wendy Cowperthwaite** told about a miniature golf game with Zucchet. "We were several holes into the game, with my sister and me being badly beaten, when my sister picked up her ball and moved it so that her shot would be assured." She said Zucchet immediately objected. "You're cheating," he exclaimed. "You can't cheat. If you cheat at mini-golf, you'll cheat at life."

Zucchet's childhood friend **Dean Rostovsky** recalled that "not once in high school or college did he visit Tijuana, Mexico — quite a common endeavor for many of us. Mike had an aversion to the food, alcohol, and 'trouble' that might ensue from those trips." A food connection was also made by **Margaret Schnitz**, who said she met Zucchet on a blind date: "At my own bridal shower Mike himself assembled and cooked over 50 kabobs." Friends **Matt** and **Susie Boland** described the ex-councilman as the life of the party: "Mike also has a great sense of humor. Much of the time we spend together is filled with fun and laughter."

Zucchet's brother **Roger** offered an often rambling and embittered take on the government's case, with an allusion to George Orwell's *Animal Farm*. "Why don't we just scrap the whole federal code and replace it with one simple law that 'Everyone Should Be Honest and Good.' We could write it on every dollar bill, or on the side of a barn, just like 'Four Legs Good, Two Legs Bad.' And when the pigs start walking and drinking brandy? No problem.... We can formulate a creative interpretation of this broad language in order that we may treat them differently than the rest of the 'less equal' animals (er, other elected officials). My main point is that the case was manufactured by U.S. Agents in San Diego, who, desperate for a case not involving border crimes, illegally interfered with a municipal election in order to entrap an innocent — and very gifted — political candidate."

**Food for thought** It's not exactly breakfast with **Bono**, but the University City Foundation for Public Schools thinks it's come up with almost the next best thing for the Taste of the Triangle fundraiser next month. "For those donating \$250 or more to EdUCate!, we would like to express our appreciation by inviting you and a guest to a private, pre-event VIP Reception featuring Dr. **Stephen Weber**, President of San Diego State University." Proceeds go to supplemental school programs that aren't taxpayer funded, including Native American Cultural Studies. ... San Diego's Ethics Commission is investigating 27 officials who failed to file annual statements of economic interest. ... Democratic political money is heading for San Diego: On Monday, the state Council of Service Employees gave \$20,000 to county Democrats. The day before, the San Diego-Imperial Counties Labor Council reported spending \$30,250 on a phone bank.



Stephen Weber

— Matt Potter

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## Corporate Welfare And Ethical Meltdown

By Don Bauder

**U**nderfunded pensions. Deceitful disclosure. False accounting. Inadequate capital spending. Rotting infrastructure.

Dwindling services. San Diegans are dizzy with the terms thrown at them. Can't somebody connect the dots? Strip away the verbiage? Say in sim-

benefits to the powerful players that have run the city for many years. It is not set up to support or consider broad policy questions that would



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ple terms what the problem boils down to?

Yes. San Diego's financial, legal, and ethical meltdown can be reduced to basic cause and effect. City attorney Mike Aguirre states it pithily: "The government has been organized to facilitate the passing out of corporate welfare and

advance the community as a whole."

Well said. The city raided the pension fund to support corporate welfare — for the Padres, the Chargers, real estate developers, hotel owners, tech and biotech industries, ad nauseam — and finance events that would

crats hadn't plucked the money from the pension fund, they would have snatched it from some other source. A

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### Neal Obermeyer





## San Diego's CEO or King?

By Scott Barnett and Matt Potter

**M**ayoral candidates Donna Frye and Jerry Sanders were each asked to sit down for on-the-record interviews. Sanders's campaign press secretary, Scott Maloni, initially agreed to the interview, then called back to say that Sanders would accept only if the questions were submitted in advance and declined the invitation.

Donna Frye sat down with us on October 14.

*Why do you want to be mayor?*

Because I want to correct this city, and I want to get us back to reality. I live here. I grew up here. I wasn't born here, but I was raised here. And I think

the guys that were sitting in the room advising people to vote on underfunding [the pension system], and that's who Sanders uses as his advisor? Are you kidding? It's the same old stuff!

### Mike Aguirre

*Mike Aguirre says that the councilmembers were essentially involved in a criminal conspiracy. Do you think they were involved in a criminal conspiracy?*

Um, it's hard for me to answer that question, because

uments? I'd like to!

*Do you think it's appropriate for a city attorney to make comments about councilmembers having violated the law?*

Yes, I do. I think that the way I read the charter, when we had that meeting this week, it was real clear to me. It says, "has a duty, and an obligation" — I believe are the words — "to prosecute." I thought that was fairly clear, what his duties and obligations are.

*One of the criticisms of you is that you're too cozy with City Attorney Mike Aguirre.*

Oh, whoa!

*And that Mike will have too much power over you if you're elected mayor.*

[Laughs.]

*In fact, we asked him about the cartoon the Municipal Employees Association sent out.*

Oh, with me on his lap? I know I looked lovely.

*Aguirre said that you've never sat on his lap.*

No, I have not sat on his lap to the best of my knowledge. I might've sat on his lap. It's hard to remember. I don't remember, you know. There might have been an occasion when I sat on Michael Aguirre's lap. No, I'm joking!

It's funny. People talk about, they complain because they say, "Well, golly, we need to have a better — we need to make sure someone has a good relationship with the city attorney so they can get things done and work cooperatively." And then when you work cooperatively with the city attorney so you can get things done, they say, "Well, that's too cozy." 'Cause now they're working cooperatively and they might get something done." And that's really the fear. It's not that it's too cozy. It's that we work well together and will get something done and get to the bottom of it and get the city back on track.

And that is a concern, because a lot of people that have held power for a very long time might not have as much control over what goes on at city hall, and it might, for once in how many years, actually get back to serving the public interest. And wouldn't that be nice? And there's a lot of people that have a lot at stake and a lot to lose if that happens. 'Cause the pie gets split up a certain way now — well, it would get split

up quite a bit different, and the public could get a very large chunk of that again. I don't know, it's just funny to me. It's like people say, "Well, you need to have someone who gets along with him." Well, I do. I like him. We get along well. Do I always agree with him? No. Does he control me? You've got to be kidding me. Do you think anyone controls me? Good luck!

### Strong Mayor — Not City Greeter

*Under the new system, the mayor is essentially the CEO of the city. Will you act as a CEO?*

Yes.

*So you won't hire someone to be CEO?*

I won't have a city manager or a COO or a CEO, no. I will have cabinet-level department heads, secretaries; I haven't come up with a name yet.

*So you won't have your version of a Ronne Froman [the Red Cross chief whom Sanders, if elected, has tapped as his CEO]?*

No. No, thank you. I will actually be the mayor. I'm not going to be the city greeter.

*And why should the voters feel that you have the experience to run a \$2 billion corporation?*

Well, why would they not? It's funny to me. I look at the Harvard-educated Dick Murphys. I look at the — and who was before Dick?

Susan Golding.

Okay. And I say to myself, "Well, they didn't do so good."

*They weren't the CEO of the city.*

Oh, baloney. They were still very much in charge when it came to the budget. Don't you kid yourself, and you know it



Donna Frye

to be a fact as much as I do. The city manager did not just put that budget together by him- or herself. That budget was directed directly by the mayor, and no one's going to tell me otherwise.

I've watched it too many times. The memos used to show up at the end of the budget [hearings], and all of a sudden the mayor would have the memo that would show up for the additional revenues that came in for all the special programs.

*You think it's the same type of system, essentially? The same type of authority and control? I mean, the department heads are reporting to you, and...*

No, no, no, no, no. The difference is, is that the mayor

actually has the ability to hire and fire, where the mayor and the council did not have that ability before. And that makes a huge difference in how things operate.

For example, say somebody comes in and lies to you. Right now, as a member of the city council, or if you're the mayor, then you've got to go to the city manager and say, "Bob just lied to me." And then the city manager would say, "Oh, I'll go talk to Bob." Then the city manager comes back and says, "Bob said he'll never lie again." And that takes three weeks. Then you say, "Okay." Then you're sitting in the council and Bob lies again, and you go through the drill. It's quite a bit different under the strong mayor, where you have the authority to say, "Bob, you lied. Good-bye. See you later. Have a nice day, and have a lovely life."

*So the department heads who have lied to you on the council, will they be gone when you're mayor?*

Yes.

*Can you give us some names?*

You know, it was funny, the last time I gave an interview, it was Bruce Herring, and he was gone. He resigned very shortly thereafter.

*City Manager Lamont Ewell?*

Yes. Well, Lamont's leaving anyway, so Lamont's gone, yes.

*What about the planning director? Do you think she should stay?*



that if Jerry Sanders gets elected, nothing's going to change.

*Because he doesn't care about the city's problems?*

It's not a case that he doesn't care about them. I'm sure he cares about them in his own way. I don't think anything will change because the same people that got us here are the same people that are supporting Jerry Sanders, are the same people that are advising Jerry Sanders, are the same people that are saying, "Let's go issue more debt. Let's go sell off city assets. Let's wait until a court decides." He has John Witt [the former city attorney] advising him at a news conference this week about the illegal benefits! These were

there's a lot of information I don't have. There are certain e-mails that I'm starting to see — I'd never seen them before. I'll reserve judgment.

*So did Mike have information that you didn't have?*

No, those documents are starting to be released to the public. Not that Mike Aguirre had any documents that I didn't have; it's that much of this documentation was just not available. It had not been released. The waiver of attorney-client privilege — some of those documents are starting to come out, and I bet you there's a whole lot more in there! I never had a chance to go through — however many? — 60,000 doc-



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## Ethical meltdown

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city that claims it is economically conservative is the reverse: it practices socialism for the rich.

"The mayor and the council in the past decade have decided to support the dessert menu: pay for ballparks, the Republican convention, anything that supports the chamber of commerce and the big downtown corporate leaders," says former mayor Maureen O'Connor. "They have neglected the basics: potholes in the streets, clean bay, clean ocean, affordable housing. When I left office there was an AAA bond rating, money in the bank. [Former city manager] John Lockwood's managerial philosophy was if there wasn't money there, he wouldn't spend it." Beginning with the incumbency of former mayor Susan Golding, "city government underfunded the pension fund to pay for this dessert menu."

During the heat of the ballpark debate, O'Connor predicted that if the city continued spending promiscuously, it would be bankrupt in five years. She was laughed at then — but now she appears to have been right on target.

Mayoral candidate Donna Frye agrees: "The city's priorities have been out of whack with the public's best interest for a long, long time," she says. "The city has spent hundreds of millions of dollars subsidizing corporate sports,

land giveaways, sweetheart leases. It is a large part of the city's financial problems."

A perfect example is the ballpark district, says Jim Mills, former president pro tem of the California senate. In addition to getting a ballpark, Padres majority owner John Moores got 26 downtown blocks surrounding the park. Then the city decided to put a new library there "to add value to the site. Now they are proposing that Centre City Development Corporation funds be used to build the library. But those funds are desperately needed for infrastructure downtown — water pipes and sewers that are 130 years old. John Moores has never asked for something from the city council that he didn't get."

Continues Mills, "The biggest problem in San Diego County today in the minds of most residents is traffic congestion. It is the direct result of city councils of various cities going along with whatever developers ask for. The problems along I-5 and I-15 are perfect examples; the developers make political contributions and get whatever they want."

"The biggest example of corporate welfare is downtown redevelopment," says activist Mel Shapiro. "Here is the city cutting budgets of libraries, parks and recreation, but one thing they never touch or mention is downtown redevelopment. The CCDC [Centre City Development Corporation] owes the city \$100

million, but Donna Frye is the only councilmember who says, 'Let's get some of that back' so it can be spent on more pressing needs."

Activist Norma Damashek cites the 1980s "deals with developers to develop the whole North City without providing any transportation plans. Now we don't know how to deal with Carmel Valley, Sorrento Hills. We took care of the needs of the developers on the backs of the public."

The city had deals with San Diego Gas and Electric to underground power lines. In the 1995–2000 period, "we let them off the hook in return for a quick infusion of funds," she says. "The city attorney's office over many years just acted like a private club to take care of the needs of businesses and developers."

As soon as Golding came in, city departments were told to serve developers and not the public. Environmentalists, historic preservationists, and others stressing the quality of life were scorned at city hall. Activist John McNab has long battled the giveaway of the former Naval Training Center to developer McMillin Companies. With the cooperation of various city departments, McMillin built homes but did not provide the community resources he promised.

"McMillin promised three H-shaped buildings would be saved and fixed up for civic arts and culture. Now they will be buildings for retailers. It was stacked from the get-

go," says McNab.

"I have arts organizations asking me for contributions, saying they will have wonderful space at the McMillin project," says former city councilmember Abbe Wolfsheimer Stutz. "I tell them I am happy to give money, but I'm not willing to fund something McMillin should have been paying for."

Environmentalists have been trampled. Before the election of 2000, former mayor Dick Murphy and councilmember Scott Peters promised that a portion of Sorrento Valley Road would be closed and used for biking, hiking, and habitat preservation. "It never happened," says Joanne Pearson, chair of the Sierra Club Coastal Committee. Biotech "gave Peters a large fund-raiser" and flexed muscles to oppose the plan. The money that had been set aside for the project was grabbed and used to prettify La Jolla Parkway.

As part of a lawsuit settlement with San Diego Baykeeper, the city agreed to upgrade 450 miles of sewer pipe over ten years. But because of the city's financial woes, "it will only do 30 miles next year," says Pearson, and will pay less than one-fourth of the legal fees it owes Baykeeper.

On May 18, a civil grand jury concluded that city council frequently disregards community general plans, often because it is fearful of developer lawsuits. Planning groups have expressed distrust of the development services depart-

ment staff, said the report. Council must listen to what kind of community the residents want. The city should adopt an ordinance to require that zoning be consistent with the general plan, including community plans, said the grand jury.

Lease rates are infamous. Hotels on city land such as the Hyatt Regency Islandia "got lease rates that in no way reflect the value of the underlying land," says Richard Rider, recent mayoral candidate and a Libertarian voice. Political contributions are generally behind such handouts, he says, adding that the Centre City Development Corporation "has become a lackey for major corporations."

Former councilmember Fred Schnaubelt says that the lease for Mission Bay Yacht Club is based on an appraisal that is less than half the realistic value.

Under the so-called strong mayor system, this corruption is likely to get worse, says former councilmember Bruce Henderson. "As a practical matter, the mayor becomes the city manager. The mayor can direct who gets what city services when," he says. A company that slips the mayor some bucks can make sure its competitor doesn't get city services. "It encourages corruption. At the building department, there will be two lines: one line for people who have made contributions to the mayor and a line for people who haven't made contributions." ■

## CEO or king?

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Who's there now?

Gail Goldberg.

Um, we'll talk about it.

Police chief?

Yeah, keep him for now.

Fire chief?

Absolutely, yes. Jeff Bowman? He stays. No doubt. Honest! Honest!

Water and sewer, Richard Mendes?

Probably [gone].

[Mendes resigned subsequent to this interview.]

Parks and Rec head?

Who is it now?

I don't know.

See, I don't either. They're moving around so much, I don't know. And again, that's today. If I get another dump of documents, I might be giving you a different answer tomorrow.

Do you think that you have any responsibility for the poor financial condition that the city's in?

To the extent that I'm not a very good crystal-ball gazer. I think under the circumstances, I did a good job. Do I wish that I had noticed it sooner? Of course I do. But when I go back — and I'm not beating myself over the head with a baseball bat, you know, why didn't I — shoulda, coulda, woulda.

When Diann Shipione showed up that fateful day in November of '02 [the day the council voted to increase pension benefits, which Frye

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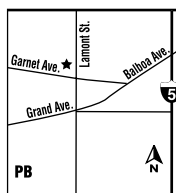
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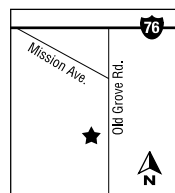
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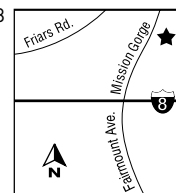
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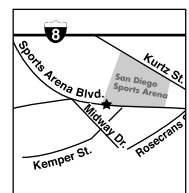
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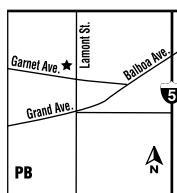
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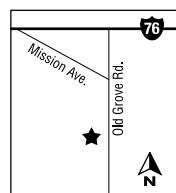
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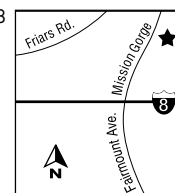
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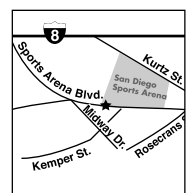
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opposed], why I was headed that way was because of the sewer costs, the service study. Because they were trying to shove that into closed session, and I was really focused on that. There were a lot of other issues that I was really focused on too, 'cause we have hundreds of issues that we deal with each week, as you know. So it's hard sometimes. You're doing your best to understand every inch of minutiae, but it's hard.

But on the sewer costs — the service study — I knew that that should not be a closed-session meeting, so I had written a letter to Casey Gwinn, and it was November 18, 2002. It's just funny that this stuff came together at that point in time. Essentially, I said, "I don't think we should be in closed session." But the other thing is, I was filing a public records request because I wanted these documents. I couldn't get these documents. So you have an elected official filing a Public Records Act request. So maybe the mood was set by other events, so that when Diann showed up and said what she said, you look around and you say, "I don't think [they're] telling me the truth about the sewer stuff. Are they telling me the truth about this stuff?"

It's hard when you work with people and you really try to rely on the information they're giving you as being accurate, as being factual, as being honest, or at least being half correct! A little correct? In this case, not correct at all! I guess I wasn't that cynical at that time, so.

### Donna Frye — CEO?

*You mentioned minutiae, keeping up with minutiae. One of the criticisms of you is that you are too focused on minutiae and*

*that maybe you micromanage. How would you manage a \$2 billion corporation and deal with the minutiae?*

By hiring people that don't make me read all the minutiae because I can rely on the information they're providing to me, just like I do on the San Diego River Conservancy, where we have an executive officer that puts stuff in a document and it makes sense and it's honest and it's truthful. You hire people that aren't going to lie to you, so I don't have to go, "Gee, does the ordinance match the manager's report? Does the such-and-such match this? Hm, I wonder what they've got in there. This doesn't add up. This document's missing." That's how. It's not by choice. It's almost out of self-preservation of the public. If I don't read them, who will? If the public interest's supposed to be served, aren't I supposed to be reading those documents and making sure that what I'm voting on is actually what I [read]?

### Frye Recovery Plan

*Tell us about your financial plan.*

Essentially, what my comprehensive plan will do is immediately cease to recognize the illegally granted benefits. I can make these types of cuts and adjustments: \$34 million in salaries and \$14 million in lower health and pension costs (that would be a result of 500 employees gone); the hiring freeze, \$12 million; outside consultants and attorneys, \$5 million — I think it's a fairly conservative number I'm using, based on what we've been spending this year, \$18-plus million before we'll all be done. Negotiating a management agreement with CalPERS [California Public Employees' Retirement System], to let them start managing the assets, we think we can get about \$20 million out of that.

And then, this has been one

of my ongoing annoyances, that the City of San Diego is now owed over, oh, golly, \$246 million in debt from the redevelopment agencies. And I do not think it's unreasonable to start getting back, on an annual basis, about \$20 million a year. That gets us to about \$155 million [in annual budget savings].

If you remember, there was a onetime repayment of loans from the redevelopment agency to the city. Part of that money got paid back about two weeks before the city council voted to issue the ballpark bonds. And that \$40 million came back from CCDC. It was put into the general fund, and then it immediately was put into the ballpark so that we only had to issue about \$168 million in bonds. That was mitigation money. That was supposed to pay for mitigation for downtown for the projects: to pay for the police, to pay for the fire, to pay for the bathrooms and the parks and everything else, and they didn't do it.

I assumed that the pension unfunded liability was about \$1.9 billion, the retiree health was at least \$500 million, the infrastructure deficit was \$2 billion, the unfunded needs were about \$500 million, and then I added another, say, \$897 million for police and fire, and those are unfunded needs. Then add \$600 million in the overstated assets, the Rocky de la Fuente [\$95 million judgment against the City].

The bottom line is you've got big numbers. And it's capital-B big numbers, billions. I figured there was at least, at least \$4 billion in debt. So I looked at the general fund, which is about, oh, \$850 million [annually], and I said, what do we need to do to pay for the pension benefits and to start getting at the infrastructure deficit? What would start stabilizing the general fund? So, I said \$250 million [annually]. And then said, "Now go find it."

If we can do these deep budget cuts and we can reduce the pension benefits and get it to a level that we can afford to pay, then we may not need to ask the citizens for more revenue. But you still need to say: How do you get to \$250 million and be honest and forthright on how you would do that and what it would look like? So this is what it would look like.

*You are considering a sales tax increase?*

It is not my — even though it's mischaracterized — it is not my first resort. It is something that, if I could put together a comprehensive package that raised no taxes, people would be running to the polls to vote for it. I think that it's a fair way to at least get people to understand what it would look like before I'm elected, not after I'm elected. Be up front from the beginning.

[Frye takes out a piece of paper.] On Jerry Sanders's website, under "Increasing City Revenues." That statement right there about taxes. I printed that this morning. ["When a budget is out of balance, there are really only two possible solutions. Either income must increase or expenditures must decrease. Chapter I of my Fiscal Recovery Plan described reductions in expenditures. The purpose of this chapter is to examine options to increase income."]

And I asked him that question [at a debate] today. I tried to get an answer to that question. Are you going to do it [raise taxes]? Are you not going to do it? And then he started talking about hurricanes and earthquakes and floods. "Well, if there's a hurricane or an earthquake or a flood..." So I still haven't gotten an answer.

*What if the voters don't approve new taxes?*

Well, there you go. We'll walk you through the worst-case scenario. Let's say the voters

say, "No, we're not going to give you any more revenues." Fine. Let's say we lose in court, and the benefits are considered to be legally granted. Then you will just essentially see the city start to have less and less and less services. You will start to see less and less and less employees. You will eventually find the city probably close to bankruptcy. That's what you get. That's the reality of it.

These numbers, these [pension] benefits are not sustainable. And it might not happen for a couple years, and you might be able to cobble together here and there and get some grants, but eventually it's over.

The second thing that would be part of this comprehensive plan — in that package which would come probably in November of '06 — would be an elected city auditor-comptroller. And then, when you increase pension benefits, that would require a public vote, like they do in San Francisco. So that would be all one package.

So there'd be, like, cool stuff that some people would like a lot, and there'd be other stuff that some people would like a lot. But it wouldn't be a pick-and-choose; it would be a comprehensive package that says, "Here's how we're going to get whole again, and this is what we're going to do. We're going to make sure that there are measures put in place so that it doesn't happen again, that we can't get into this kind of debt." And I think this does it. Then what we're going to do is make sure that it gets voter approval.

### "Illegal" Pension Benefits

*Do you support the city attorney's efforts to declare the pension benefits illegal?*

The city attorney's efforts to immediately cease recognizing the illegally granted pension benefits for current employ-

ees — not ones that have already retired — I support that. I think it's the right thing to do. It makes sense to me. If they were illegally granted, then we should not recognize them.

*If you do that, if council goes along and approves it, then there will be litigation the next week by the public employees unions.*

Absolutely.

*And then it's in court for...*

It's already in court.

*So should the council unilaterally stop paying some of the pension benefits?*

Um-hmm. And obviously, Jerry disagrees with that analysis. It's two ways of looking at the world. You know, you get two attorneys in a room and one'll tell you one [thing] and the other will tell you the other. I think this makes sense.

Why do I think it makes more sense? If I were in court and the judge says to me, "So, Donna Frye, so you're having a dispute with this gentleman here." And I go, "Yes. He says I owe him a bunch of money, and I say I don't owe him money." "Well, why'd you keep paying him? Why'd you keep paying him the money? When you got new information where you believed that the benefits were illegally granted, why'd you keep giving them money?" "Well, 'cause I'm just nice. I'm just a nice person."

### Criticism of Jerry Sanders's Plan

*How else does your plan compare to Sanders's?*

Look at Jerry's numbers. He didn't address the [City's] unfunded needs, you know, the 2004 city manager's report on unfunded needs, much of which is to just maintain current service levels, and much of which is probably going to be staffing, and much of which is probably going to be annual costs.

He didn't include police and fire — the \$890 million

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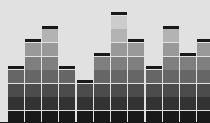
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for public safety, which is also part of the 2004 unfunded needs. He didn't include Rocky de la Fuente [litigation costs], he didn't include the [\$600 million] overstatement of city assets, he didn't include much of anything. He didn't even include the amount of money we'd need to pay on the unfunded liability.

So I don't know what he included, but he didn't include much. And that's why the numbers don't add up. Try and add them up, 'cause I'll tell you, I sure tried. You know, it's not a campaign fight. They don't add up.

*Obviously a lot of what you're proposing, and what Mr. Sanders is proposing, you'll need to get other people to agree to.*

The voters.

*You need to get city council to agree to declare the pension benefits illegal.*

Well, I'm going to try. And if they don't, then I'm taking it to the voters. I'm going to the voters if I have to. Absolutely. And that's part of my plan.

*Are you going to do a ballot initiative?*

I would if I needed to. I'm very good at collecting signatures. I've collected a few in my time.

*You said you will cut 500 employees. Jerry Sanders says he will cut 10 percent, or about 1000 employees.*

The thing is, that's [just] a contingency for him, and it's not a contingency for me.

*So who are you going to eliminate?*

A lot of management. And there'll be some others. Anybody that was involved in any way, shape, or form with what's been

going on.

*What departments are not going to be protected by that? Are there any exemptions?*

Nope.

*So library, parks, police, fire?*

I'm going to do everything I can to not reduce staffing in public safety.

*Library, parks, management?*

Not necessarily. Well, management — there might be some management, but not just there.

*So you don't really know. You're just saying you think you can come up with 500.*

I will, yes.

*What about the planning department?*

Planning department, or real estate assets. Well, planning needs some — development services needs complete restructuring.

*Can you save a lot of money there and still have planning groups?*

No. Well, you can have planning groups, but, no, you can't. This is a very harsh budget.

*City attorney? Cuts in city attorney? So that will be included as well?*

Sure. Nothing's off the table.

*You didn't mention that to Mike Aguirre, though?*

Well, sure.

*I'm just kidding. [Laughs.] He told us he didn't have enough attorneys. Only 150.*

The thing is, if you stop doing all this hiring of outside [legal and financial] consultants for \$900 an hour, there would be money.

*If you cut the Centre City Development Corporation budget by \$20 million, won't that affect planning service?*

Nooo. Well, \$40 million didn't!

*But this is annually, not a onetime cut.*

But now, you can start also looking at the tax increment

[property tax], because we had someone do some research on the law, on redevelopment law. So it's not just the debt. You can look at it as a better sharing of tax increment, which has no effect on their debt, so there's ways to do it.

### Pat Shea

*What role did Pat Shea have in drafting your financial plan? [Shea, husband to pension-system whistle-blower Diann Shipione, is an attorney who was involved in cleaning up the Orange County bankruptcy.]*

A lot! I also had John Gordon, Ross Starr. We got academics, we got CEOs, we had people that are actuaries and people that deal with pensions, Republicans. And Pat Shea, who I adore.

*Pat went to school with George W. Bush, your favorite president.*

We don't talk about George Bush. I think he's a terrible president, but Pat and I don't talk about that. I mean, I say it to him once in a while, and we have a good laugh over it. It's not about if Pat's a Republican or I'm a Democrat; it's about some really dumb things the city has done, and these are some really smart things we can do to fix it. And it's not a whole lot more difficult than that. You've got a lot of people who are very dedicated, who are really trying to say, "Look, we don't really care about the politics. Here is a way to do it. Something makes sense. You could end the flippin' misery within a year and move on! But let's get real!"

And a gentleman that ran against me, Shawn McMillan, who is a die-hard Republican — one of the reasons he even got into the mayor's race was because of me, to run against me, the "evil woman." Until he

met me. Then all of a sudden that changed, and we've become very good friends.

So there's an honesty that's going on here. And dialogue. Like, do you want to go into debt to pay off your debt? And we said no; we don't think that's good. Do you want to sell off your assets? Do you want to pawn your car to pay for your gasoline? Well, we didn't like that. We thought that was not a good budgeting principle. And so this is what was left. And this took months. This was not something we just one day whipped up. This is stuff that has gone through many, many, many, many, many rounds. And a lot of people have had a lot of input into it.

Some of the ideas in here are from the Performance Institute — the elected city auditor-comptroller, the labor caps, the votes. Some of it is from the CPI — the Center on Policy Initiatives — talking about how much people actually pay towards infrastructure and the large infrastructure deficit. So it's a lot of plans and a lot of ideas that were out there.

When I was debating Sanders this morning at the University Club — he's fighting so hard to say, "Oh, we have to recognize the illegal benefits." But those also include MP1 [manager's proposal one, in 1996]. And he was police chief and benefited from MP1.

*So if your financial plan is adopted, how long will it be before the city is financially sound? Three years, five years, ten years?*

I don't know yet. Because a lot of the numbers, we have to have actuaries. And quite frankly, as you and I both know, I mean, you've been around long enough to know that we get some real funny numbers. Look at the stuff from KPMG. You know, just in the short amount of

time they've been... they say, "Oh, gee, \$600 million in overstatement of assets." So I don't know. The hope would be no longer than 15 years. Obviously, it's just, kind of like when you buy a car. You pay for it over 3 years and you pay a whole lot more, or you can spread it out over 10 years and you pay a little less. You spread it over 15 years...

### Bond Debt Versus Pay-As-You-Go Financing

*If it takes as long as 15 years, isn't there some benefit in issuing pension bonds?*

I have a problem with spending money to pay for debt. I don't know, it doesn't make sense to me that you have debt, so you go borrow more money to pay for the debt that you already have. You have debt to pay for debt. If you're talking about a project where perhaps there's a structure where you look at the life-cycle costs and all that stuff, that may be different. But when I look at the amount of debt that has been incurred by the sewer and the water, it really bothers me because of the way they're spreading out the costs. And then you're watching so much of your [sewer and water] funds being gobbled up with debt service. So it's not a method that I prefer. I kind of like to take care of things as we go and not necessarily shove them off over long periods of time. That's just a general principle that I have when I look at budgeting principles and how I run my business. It's how I run my life.

*You don't make the credit-card companies very happy with that philosophy.*

I know. I probably have a pretty good credit rating.

### Pay for Trash Pickup?

*Do you think San Diegans, like*

*residents of other cities, should have to pay for residential trash collection?*

No, I don't. I do not think that. You're saying, should people pay more taxes to pick up trash? No.

*Because people who rent apartments are paying through their rents, and a lot of homeowners associations are paying and businesses are.*

I understand. I know.

*Is that the third rail in San Diego politics, the People's Ordinance, which mandates free trash pickup?*

No, I don't think it is the third rail. I just think that, you know, if I have to propose a tax, I would rather propose something that is stable and brings in a decent amount of revenues! You can do the TOT tax. You could do a real estate transfer tax. There's a lot of things we could do, but we looked at a lot of them, and this [sales tax] seemed to be the most sensible.

*There is the argument that a sales tax is the most regressive.*

I know; I read [Arthur] Laffer's comments. The guy who advised Reagan, you know, trickle-down economics.

*Won't people go to National City and Carlsbad to buy cars and not San Diego because they'll be paying an extra half-cent in San Diego? Or go to Costco in other cities? Why would they shop in San Diego and pay the extra half-cent in sales tax when they could go...*

When they could spend \$5 per gallon gas. I mean, they can eat up their gas or... No. I've heard these arguments before. I've watched all these, you know, doomsayers, and the thing is, I'm not even saying we would necessarily have to do this [raise sales tax]! But I'm saying if, if. This is a way to close the deal

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- d. Over \$150

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- Yes
- No

3. If interested in a 2nd date, how long will you wait to call?

- a. Same day
- b. 24 hours
- c. 48 hours
- d. 72 hours

4. How many alcoholic beverages are appropriate on a first date?

- a. One
- b. Two
- c. Three
- d. Over Four

5. On a first date how long does it take to decide whether or not you would see them again?

- a. 15 minutes
- b. 45 minutes
- c. One hour
- d. Over an hour

6. Is your career or a relationship more important?

- a. My career
- b. A relationship

7. What's the worst conversation killer?

- a. Past relationships
- b. Dieting or body image
- c. Politics
- d. Marriage

8. How many first dates did you go on last year?

- a. 1-3
- b. 4-6
- c. 6-9
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## CEO or king?

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and get the city healthy again. Yes, I believe it could work.

### Privatization

*What about competition and/or outsourcing of city services.*

I don't like it.

*You don't like it?*

No! I don't.

*You don't think we should have competition at all with the others that...*

I'm not saying competition is all—but I'm sorry, I do not see a savings there. If I could see some legitimate savings—I haven't seen it. I've seen a lot of the work the contractors do, and quite frankly, we've got to come along behind them and fix it. And then you have to set up a department to oversee the work that the contractors are doing. Why don't we just get competent people and let them do their work? And if they can't do their work, then get someone who can. But I don't think you go around outsourcing and set up an outsourcing department to monitor the outsource work, and then if they don't do it, then you have litigation. I just don't see the math there that's working for me.

*What would you do, for example, with the Data Processing Corporation?*

A lot of people are saying that they're doing a fairly good job now. It's like the threat of being gone seemed to get them back up and maybe online. And I'll have to sit and look at it.

*Isn't that one of the benefits of competition: the threat of being fired increases productivity?*

No. How about just keeping your job? And competing for your job but not necessarily competing for the position and not constantly feeling that someone is going to come and take it out of the city altogether.

I think that there are things that rightly belong as a government service.

*Aren't there things that don't belong as a government service? Like what?*

*Printing. The city council just the other day approved remodeling a part of the community concourse for your in-house printing operation and staff. Just an example. The private sector could do it cheaper, more efficiently. You wouldn't pay for overhead.*

Okay. Then show me the numbers. I'm not convinced of that. I'm not going to be pushing privatization and outsourcing, is what I'm saying, as part of my plan. It doesn't mean that I wouldn't sometimes say, "Oh, we can save money doing it this way." But I do not philosophically support privatizing government services, no.

### Environmental Issues

*A lot of people are wondering why your campaign is almost completely focused on financial issues, as opposed to environment, growth, traffic, quality of life, clean water, issues where Donna Frye came from. In every mayoral election in the past 30 years except the last one, those are the issues that voters care about. Do they not care about those issues anymore?*

Yeah, they care about those issues, but the thing is, we can't do much to help them with those issues until we deal with all these other issues. The city's going broke. Until you address how you're going to start funding some of this stuff, it doesn't much matter what you talk about.

*Based on your polling and on meeting with voters, do you think city finances is the issue the average voter is most concerned about?*

Yes, I do. And it's not based on polling. I'll answer in another way too, because it's kind of interesting. I think that if I leave my driveway and I hit a pothole,

that's my priority for the day. I think if I go to the library and it's closed, that's my priority for the day. But when people make a decision, they're going to answer, I think, two questions. And I'm talking generally. There are voters that will vote for other reasons and pick a candidate because of their environmental credentials or because of their position on the cross, or whatever it happens to be, but I think overall people are going to say: Who can solve the problem, and who can lead our city out of this mess? And this is what they view as the mess.

*And you think voters will be able to understand the differences between your plan and Jerry's plan?*

I hope so.

### Political Tactics

*Are you going to have enough money to get your message across, especially if Sanders goes on TV?*

Oh, they're going on TV. It's not *if*, it's just *when*. Every campaign I've ever run, I've always been outspent by my opponents. So far, I've managed to get my message out and win my elections. That could change or that could stay constant. And, of course, my hope is that it stays constant. We're pretty good about getting the message out. We're pretty good at grass roots. We're pretty good about explaining things to voters. Hope springs eternal. What can you do? You just do your best, you know. Pretty simple stuff.

*Do you expect to see independent expenditures on your behalf?*

I don't know. I guess one of the other things I try to do is be very, very cautious, and to the point where I actually—certain people, I try and avoid talking to them altogether just to try to not get into that. But sure, it'd be nice to see it. I've already seen the ones for Jerry. I've already seen the hit pieces

on me from the Republican Party, so sure. I mean, he's been doing it the whole time, so would I like to have a little equity and have someone come up and say, "Hey, we think Donna Frye's pretty cool"? Yeah!

*But you can legally coordinate with the Democrats.*

I'm just not convinced of that. I'm just not comfortable with that. What can I say? There's just some things I'm not comfortable with. So maybe it is legal. It's just how I feel about it. Would I like people to do stuff? Yeah, [but] I'm dealing with my campaign.

### Redevelopment Reform

*Does the city need more residences in downtown?*

Do I want more density downtown? Yes, I want more density downtown.

*And then how do you pay for more services? How do you pay for fire and police?*

Tax increment [property taxes]. That's exactly where I'm headed with this... It's to pay for the mitigation caused by the negative environmental impacts generated by the growth and development.

*What about other redevelopment areas?*

Well, Grantville should never have been established to begin with. That is not a blighted area. That was an abuse of government power, and I don't support it. Simply setting up areas of redevelopment and saying, "Let's draw little circles around certain parts of the community and call it blighted so they can keep the taxes." The city's being sued for that by the county. The county's suing on Grantville, and they should.

*How do you reform that process?*

You go in there and you audit them. I would like to see that, a performance audit, you know. I mean a numbers audit—but a good performance audit.

You have to redefine what is public use. Is public use taking the Gran Havana cigar shop [in downtown] and taking away a very beautiful, lucrative business and then giving it to another business owner? Is that public use? I don't think so. It doesn't strike me as public use. Maybe a school or even a park or a road, or something that actually benefits everybody in the public, not just a few people in the public. So I'm trying to get that changed.

You also need to figure out how much money is *not* going into the general fund. How much are we losing in property tax, and how much money is it pulling out of the general fund to pay for those services? And what are the impacts on the city of San Diego?

*What about the downtown library?*

No. We don't have the money. That doesn't mean that I don't like libraries. I like libraries. I think they're wonderful things. I love books. I love to read. But right now, we can't even keep Mission Valley open regular hours. So at least let's be able to afford keeping some of our branch libraries open, some of the things that we've already built. Let's get some staffing there before we start adding more things that we can't pay for so we can have more stuff that's not open. I think that's kind of a goofy philosophy.

### Council Reelection, June 2006

*If you're not elected mayor on November 8...*

I'm a city councilmember! [Laughs.]

*You have a city council election coming up in June 2006.*

That's true. Hey, that's what I do. Elections are my life. I live to campaign!

*So you'd get right into running for city council again?*

I'd take a couple weeks off. *In the mayoral primary you*

*did really well in the beach areas, not as strongly in Clairemont, which is in your district. Do you think you've been weakened running for mayor? Do you think you'll be as strong?*

It's funny. When people take this path or put their lives upside down or pretty much put their family life on hold, and you say, "Does that weaken you?," I don't know. Trying to serve the public, I guess, if that weakens you, I think that the public should be thankful that anybody wants to do it. I don't see it as *weakening* someone for standing up and saying, "I'm trying to serve you, I'm trying to make sure that we solve the city's problems, and I have a plan to do it, and I'll work real hard and be honest about it." If that weakens a person, so be it. Then I'm weakened.

*So you'd absolutely run again?*

Sure. Well, you know, never say... [Laughs.] Today I would, yeah. And I don't know about tomorrow. I might get hit by a truck.

*Watch those crosswalks.*

I do. I look both ways before I cross.

### Mayor or King?

[Frye takes out a picture.] I was out at San Diego State University yesterday, and I have a funny little picture. I'll show it to you. We just had fun. Jerry wouldn't debate me so here we had the "Where's Jerry?" [signs being held in the picture].

*Is that supposed to be Jerry Sanders, the guy in the chicken suit?*

Yeah, someone was in a chicken suit.

*So is the San Diego Chicken endorsing you for mayor?*

Well, you know, he might. You know who does, though? King Stahlman. King Stahlman had the best commercials of all the commercials during the whole political campaign. He said, "Who needs a mayor when you got a king?" [Laughs.] I like it! ■

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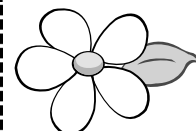
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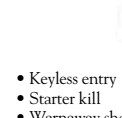


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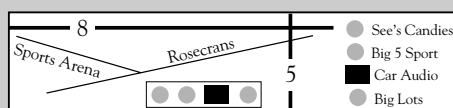


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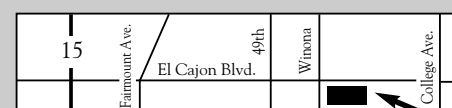
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### About Time

It's about time someone in the public eye in San Diego told the truth about John Moores's criminal activities ("Bird's-Eye Lowdown," "City Lights," October 20). Senator Mills put it simply, "The cost to the City of San Diego has been enormous." I'd say so. We built a billionaire his ballpark, and now we are bankrupt.

A suggestion for Aguirre and Frye: Stop paying Moores more than \$20 million a year in *our* money. Sue this fat bastard for the half-billion he stole from us. I'd like to see Moores and Golding and McGrory in jail.

But in a country where wealth so distorts the crim-

inal justice system, this may never happen. Remember the Stallings affair? She lost her seat on the council for "accepting illegal gifts," and John Moores was never charged with a thing.

With the *U-T*'s financial interest in Moores's sports and real estate empire, they will never tell us the truth. My hat is off to Scott Barnett for finally getting a prominent local politician to say what the rest of us already know. John Moores is a no-good, lying crook who belongs in jail!

Fred Williams  
via e-mail

### Prescient, Public, Vital

Scott Barnett may be deluged by too many people hissing at him or, hopefully, commending him ("Bird's-Eye Lowdown," "City Lights," October 20). Personally, I find him *remarkable* in telling truth and not burying it in later pages.

His interview is prescient, public, vital, and worthy of our regional honest hero.

Now how often do we get that? Hope that he convinces Mills not to evaporate. We need him. We need Barnett.

Bar Ziegler  
via e-mail

### Cofounders Of AMW

Regarding the "Nurses on the Run" story dated October 13.

Kindly note there were two cofounders of AMN Healthcare. As a former intensive-care unit RN and traveling nurse, I saw the need firsthand for a traveling nurse service in 1984. AMN Healthcare was then cofounded in 1985 by myself and my husband, Steve Francis.

Gayle Francis, RN  
Cofounder  
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### Altruistic Hobbyists

Having read your article "Eyesore Antenna Invades La Jolla" ("City Lights," October 13), I have a few comments. Whether or not Howard White uses amateur radio for fun or for emergencies matters little, because all amateur radio contests are designed to be fun while teaching as well as practicing skills necessary for real emergency situations. For example, we teach children fun songs so that they learn really important concepts such as the alphabet. My only question to the nonamateur radio community at large is this:

In what other fun hobby do people purchase the most technologically advanced state-of-the-art equipment with their own money and then volunteer hours of their own time at no monetary compensation while using that personal equipment to aid and assist the community at large during emergencies? I rest my case.

Gayle Olson  
Poway

### More On Rats

Well, I'm certainly relieved to see that the *San Diego Weekly Reader* has letters from NRA members (October 13) critically checked for errors by government authorities. We sure wouldn't want them spreading disinformation, would we?

However, upon further checking, I discover that rats carry numerous other diseases besides plague and that "ground squirrels at rural campgrounds have been infected with wild rodent plague." This is all on the county's website.

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# Dress For Success

I know some of you were in the Sports Arena for Sunday's Lakers/Bobcats exhibition game just to check out the pre-mandatory NBA dress code. Indeed, fans everywhere are wringing their hands and crying, "What will Kobe Bryant wear?"

This explosion of fan interest is due to commissioner David Stern's groundbreaking announcement that, beginning November 1, the NBA will enforce a dress code. "Every player must dress like a white man," Stern told reporters.

Actually, that's not true. Here's what his dress code says: "Players are required to wear Business Casual attire whenever they are engaged in team or league business...players are not allowed to wear...while on team or league business: Sleeveless shirts, shorts, T-shirts, jerseys, or sports apparel...headgear of any kind while a player is sitting on the bench or in the stands at a game, during media interviews, or during a team or league event or appearance...chains, pendants, or medallions worn over the player's clothes. Sunglasses while indoors. Headphones..." In other words, every NBA player must dress like a white man, hip-hop or no, millionaire or no.

Well, first thing, like everybody else, I worried about Kobe's wardrobe. So, I call Ron Stuart Men's Clothing, downtown. Gary answers, I read Stern's dress code and ask, "How would you dress Kobe?"

"Business casual? Hmm," Gary says. "I would probably put him in a pair of slacks and a sports shirt with an open collar, something with a stripe."

"How come a stripe?"

"A little color, a little more fashion than a solid. Or a solid with a texture to it, something with a pattern. Then I would work with his complexion and everything."

"How about a sports coat?"

"I wouldn't necessarily put him in a sports coat. Business casual, on Fridays, for most occupations, is a sports shirt and a pair of slacks, a pair of loafers or, perhaps, a more casual shoe. If I had to put a sports coat with it, I would probably put him in a solid sport coat that would coordinate..."

"How much?"

"About \$800."

I'm talking to David at Jus-Workwear, ("...largest selection of Carhartt clothing in Southern California"). "Let's say Kobe walked in right now...how would you dress him?"

"We only have jeans and work shirts."

"I know, but let's say he came in anyway and begged, 'I gotta get something.' What could you do for him?"

"The only thing we have along those lines, unfortunately, are dress, collared shirts, but all the shirts have Carhartt on them. We just deal in Carhartt. That's all we sell."

"What if Kobe told his manservant to remove the Carhartt emblem? Could he comply with Stern's dress code, wearing one of your shirts?"

"Yeah. They're a thicker shirt because they're a work shirt, but, yeah, they have a nice button-up collar."

Kobe would like that. "Do you have anything resembling slacks?"

"We have canvas pants; they're more of a lightweight canvas, for working." Silence. "Yeah, we could make them look good."

"You don't carry dress shoes, right?"

"Nope."

"How about black boots?"

"We got black work boots."

"Could your boots pass, on a moonless night, as a European, high-fashion, cutting-edge black boot?" I envision Kobe, hands on hip, pout on face, modeling leather biker boots at the Hotel Del.

"I wouldn't go that far," David laughs.

Pity. "Okay, Kobe's got his Carhartt dress shirt. He buys a pair of your pants that are borderline, but, possibly, could pass the dress code."

"Yeah. If he knows how to iron he could put a crease in them and make them look nice."

Deal. "How much?"

"Work shirts, around \$40; pants, about \$40. Say, 90 bucks for everything."

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I ask Kari, at the Shirt Tale on Camino Del Rio South, about dressing Kobe.

"I do one type of thing: button-up dress shirts," Kari says. "You know how the Pat Riley collar curves?"

Never heard of it. "Yeah."

"I do that. Custom dress shirts."

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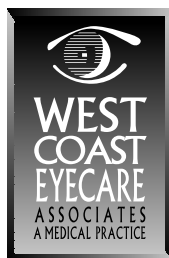
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**Address:** P.O. Box 161156, San Diego, 619-528-1734  
**Founded locally:** 2004  
**Senior pastor:** Henock T. Menebo  
**Congregation size:** n/a  
**Staff size:** 6  
**Sunday school enrollment:** n/a  
**Annual budget:** \$43,480  
**Weekly giving:** n/a  
**Singles program:** n/a  
**Dress:** n/a  
**Diversity:** Ethiopians  
**Sunday worship:** n/a  
**Length of reviewed service:** n/a  
**Website:** [www.salvationgateministry.org](http://www.salvationgateministry.org)

"Fundamentalist Muslims are manifesting what they believe today. Their mission is to change the world so that it is under their control. If you don't agree with them, they will kill you. They don't value or respect other people's lives or even their own lives. They will have no mercy. Americans may want to be tolerant, peaceful and loving, but [Fundamentalist] Muslims will get rid of [these Americans] because they are not following their teachings. They want to change the lifestyle of everyone to the way things were 1000 years ago. The culture, customs, and dress will return to the Stone Age. These Muslims undermine women, who are considered second-class citizens. These Muslims want to tell you what to wear, eat, and how you live. If a person doesn't go by their rules, they are justified in their killing of you," said Getachew (Gary) Wymedihin, chairman of the board at Salvation Gate Ministry. Salvation Gate Ministry is a group of San Diego-based Ethiopians whose stated mission is to bring the revelation of God and His kingdom to Islamic regions.

Fundamentalist Muslims have targeted Africa as a continent to Islamize as part of their growth strategy. "Ethiopia is being targeted by Muslims. Muslims believe if Ethiopia is converted, Islam will spread through all of Africa," said Henock Menebo, the founder of Salvation Gate Ministry. Menebo said this is based on a plan that Muslims devised and taught at a 1989 conference in Nigeria. "There are three reasons Ethiopia is central to their plans," said Menebo. "First, it is the capital city of the African nations, with ambassadors from every African country present there. Second, Ethiopia has the second largest number of ambassadors, second only to New York. Third, the Ethiopian city of Harer is considered the fifth holiest place, according to Islam."

Based on the 1989 plan to Islamize Africa, Muslims have built numerous mosques and opened schools for the poor people in Ethiopia. "Muslims fund the building of a mosque wherever there are 50 Muslims," said Menebo. Menebo estimates that the number of mosques has grown from several hundred to between 15,000 and 20,000. He said these mosques are often funded by money from Middle Eastern countries such as Saudi Arabia. "As part of their conversion strategy, Muslim men will marry five to six non-Muslim women. They will also use the women to have children and convert the children to Islam. They recently opened a boarding school in a poor Christian area for 5000 kids.

The children are removed from their parents and are trained in Islam. For poor people, this is their child's only option for education." Menebo said Christians are not able to compete with the Muslims because the Muslims have more money.

"Muslims are pouring money into these shelters and schools for poor African children. These children are then converted and brainwashed to Islam. The outcome is a generation of people ready to die for their cause," said Wymedihin. "We will see many more waves of children who have grown up ready to blow themselves up and others to advance their cause. It is very hard for Americans to understand the situation that is happening in the world today because they are isolated from the hardships the world faces. Americans approach the world's problems from a perspective that values life, freedom, and communication. But to address these real world challenges, we need to understand the rest of the world. We need to wake up and see what is happening. Even moderate Islam is not acceptable to the fundamentalist." Wymedihin believes the only way to stop these actions is the conversion of Muslims to Christianity.

Menebo said Christian evangelists have posed as Muslims, attended mosques in order to convert Muslims. "There are hundreds of Christians doing this, but [the Muslims] do not know who they are or their purpose of evangelism," said Menebo. "Using this method of evangelism, several Muslims have converted to Christianity." Menebo said this method is necessary because their life would be threatened if Christians openly preached to Muslims. "In Alaba, a city dominated by 99.9 percent Muslims, you can't preach the gospel there or you would be killed or seriously hurt," said Menebo. "There is tremendous persecution of non-Muslims from believers of Islam." Menebo said his contacts have heard rumors that al-Qaeda plans to open a terrorism school in Ethiopia. "Ethiopian Muslims went to Pakistan and Afghanistan to learn how

to open terrorism schools," said Menebo. Menebo believes it is inevitable that these Muslims will attempt to attack America.

Menebo plans to return to Ethiopia to convert Muslims to Christianity. Menebo said on his last mission trip, 97 Muslims converted to Christ in the six months he was in Ethiopia. "Muslims believe in the Koran, which is not right. They say it came to Mohammed from God, but he was not a real prophet from God. They claim it is true, but the truth is only in the Bible, which was inspired by God. Islam denies that Jesus is the only savior. They do not believe he died and resurrected for our sins so that we can be reconciled with God," said Menebo. "Most of our conversions are in small cities and rural villages. Ethiopia was once considered a Christian country but now it has become an Islamic country. This bothers me. I came to San Diego to introduce the Salvation Gate Ministry and to raise finances." Menebo drives a taxi to earn money but seeks to raise support from American churches to fund his ministry.

— Drew Goodmansson



HENOCK T. MENEBO

### Salvation Gate Ministry

★★★

#### Sermon

content.....★★★  
delivery.....★★

**Liturgy**.....n/a

#### Music

congregational.....n/a  
choir.....n/a

**Snacks**.....n/a

**Architecture**.....n/a

**Friendliness**.....★★★<sup>1/2</sup>

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Hi Saffron,

I'm thirty and married. One of my closest friends is the same age and a bachelor. We do lots of things together, and I adore him. We've known each other since we were teenagers. Whenever "Taylor" comes over, though, I always end up having to kick him out eventually. Otherwise he'd stay forever. He doesn't seem to mind getting booted every time, but I feel guilty about always telling him he needs to go when the evening grows late or the hour arrives for me put my kid to bed or make dinner or spend time alone with my husband. I hint around but it never works, so I end up being blunt. I hate being rude, but he makes it so I have no choice.

TIME TO GO IN GROSSMONT

Dear Time to Go,

Sounds like you and Taylor have gotten into a pattern that's comfortable for him, but not for you. He's come to rely on you to tell him when his time's up. This probably makes sense to him because you're the one with family responsibilities. He likely has a looser schedule, so he wants to stay till you show him the door (or till the cows amble home — whichever comes first). Since you and Taylor are like family, bring this issue into the open. When you make plans, you can agree in advance on a time span for the visit; for example, from 5 to 8 p.m. He should be more mindful of the time then. If he still overstay, you can remind him that the agreed-upon time's up, which maybe won't make you feel so much like you're just pushing him out. It's great that he loves your company, and I'm confident that two close friends will have little difficulty coming to an understanding about graceful leave-taking.

Dear Saffron,

When I was recently hired by a small college to teach one class I was thrilled because this is my first teaching job. I'm an adjunct, which means I'm temporary, and will teach one class for a single term. I am considered an hourly worker. They might ask me to teach again in the future if they like how I perform. The agreement was for a particular fee; I was to teach my class and do four hours a week of office work. After I started teaching and school had been in session for ten days, the head of the department told me that I was also expected to do independent studies with four students. This means that I would be

supervising their projects, reading material they have written, and meeting with them weekly. I asked how much I would be paid for this extra work. "Nothing," I was told. "It's just part of the job. It's mandatory." A contract was pushed at me and I was urged to sign. The contract stated that I was volunteering to do the independent studies and would not seek compensation. The department head got pushy and told me to sign without giving me time to read it carefully. I told him I had to think it over. He said, "I have to do the same thing that you're being asked to do. All teachers here do." When I responded that he was being paid a salary and had job security and benefits, he just looked at his fingernails. Now the school term is well underway. I have been doing all that I was asked, including the extra work, but I never signed this contract. No one has mentioned it again. I talked to other teachers and they said some people sign the volunteer contract and some don't, and it doesn't seem to make any difference as long as we do the extra work. Do you think I should sign it? Forget about it? Protest?

FLEDGLING TEACHER

Dear Fledgling,

I too would be uncomfortable signing a contract that falsely stated I had volunteered for duties. If you want to be rehired by this questionable institution, you might ask around and see whether other teachers who've refused or neglected to sign this contract have been rehired. If it doesn't seem to make any difference, then stick to your guns and avoid signing.

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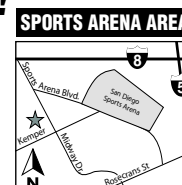
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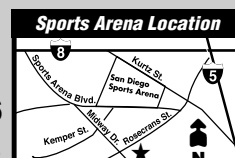
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— EVE KELLY

"I've worked for the bees long enough," said my buddy Bernice. "Now, it's time for the bees to work for me. It's time for me to capitalize on my status as The Bee Lady." Bernice has been keeping bees — and getting honey out of them — for a few years now. But she's always consumed all of her product. Now, she wants to start selling it online and at the local farmers' market, and she wants me to come in on the deal. I told her I'd think about it, but in the meantime, I'd look into rustling her up some decent signage.

Steve Blake has been making signs at Sign DeSign in La Mesa (619-461-1608) for 15 years. Blake stays away from signs that require a contractor's license; instead, he specializes in smaller signs and vinyl lettering. "Our basic vinyl lettering sign works for windows in vehicles, glass doors, yard signs, and banner graphics. We do four-color process printing." He pointed to a framed sign outside directing foot traffic to a business. "We do signs like that — a basic metal A-frame with cut-vinyl letters on a PVC board. We use vinyl for letters and graphics because it's more durable and more colorfast than paint. And in some cases, it's changeable. When area codes changed from 714 to 619, and then from 619 to 858 and 760, people didn't have to buy all new signs. People brought in the magnetic signs on their cars and we just peeled off the adhesive vinyl, cleaned them up, and put on the new numbers."

Blake's vinyl comes in over a hundred colors and several styles, but only two grades. "Calendar vinyl," the less expensive of the two, "starts as a ball, and is heated and rolled and heated and rolled until it's about three thousandths of an inch thick. Then an adhesive is put on the back. But like any plastic, vinyl has a memory, and its memory is that original ball. So if you heat it, it will shrink. We usually use that for banners — temporary signs. It's a little more flexible. Banners usually have an outdoor life of a couple of years, but I've made some that have been around for seven or eight years."

Cast vinyl has no such memory troubles. "It starts in a powder form, and is laid out in a sheet. Then it's heated, and that's its memory. It doesn't shrink much. My cast vinyl has been on my window for 15 years, and there's a tiny haze line that shows where it has shrunk. If a sign is going on a hard surface, I use cast vinyl."

For banners, "people can pick colors and letter styles. We have 2500 letter styles to choose from. When we first opened, we bought a package that had 40 styles; if we wanted to add another, it cost \$299. Now, with the advent of desktop publishing, the Internet, and shareware, we can get them for free. I tell people that if they see a letter style in a newspaper or magazine that they like, they

"But like any plastic, vinyl has a memory."

can bring it in and I'll have it. Or at least, I'll find one that's really close."

Blake enters your selections for letter design and graphics into a computer, and the computer feeds the information to either a printer or a plotter. "The plotter is a stationary machine that the vinyl passes through. It's fitted with a blade, and it cuts the letters out of the vinyl. The printer just prints directly onto the vinyl." After the material has been run through the proper machine, "we pull the excess vinyl away from the letters and then use transfer tape to move them to the banner or sign."

Banners start at \$60 — that gives you your "background color of choice, two colors of text, and up to 15 words" — but can be custom cut to whatever size you like. After you get past the base price, "everything is custom. We give you a quote. If

there's going to be additional typesetting, that can mean a lot more vinyl, and we'll charge extra.

And graphic prices can vary depending on the complexity. For graphics, we use a lot of clip art. We don't do graphic design here, just graphic reproduction. If someone brings in a graphic, we'll scan it into the computer and cut it with the plotter."

The same letters Blake puts on his signs can be affixed to car windows, glass doors, and magnetic signs. "Well do everybody from people who want their names on the windows — Bob on one side, Louise on the other — to the Border Patrol vehicles. A one-inch letter costs \$.61, or \$1.23 installed. We'll install them right here at the curb." For magnetic signs, he applies the letters to gloss-white magnetic sheeting. "The base price on that is \$75, which gets you three lines in two colors on the white background."

If the bee biz takes off for Bernice, I might look into one of Blake's sandblasted wooden signs. "We take a piece of wood and mask it with the vinyl lettering and the design. Then a sandblaster takes a gun and shoots sand at the wood under high pressure. It chews the wood away, and you're left with raised letters. Or, we can mask the rest of the wood and blast the space inside the letters, so that they're cut into the wood." Then the wood may be stained or painted. Blake showed me a sign on which he planned to affix a vinyl picture. "I'll place a clear film over that for UV protection." Prices vary with size and with the price of wood, "which changes like gasoline. Right now, we charge \$80 to \$85 a square foot. Wood signs have a long outdoor life. We've had our wood signs out there for 15 years, and they're still there."

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# BACK WHEN

## In the Reader

### Thirty Years Ago

I, a beaten, dejected, frustrated cross-country bicycle rider was calling it quits. What had begun as a five-week, 2300-mile solo bicycle trip from Pacific Beach to Milwaukee, Wisconsin was ending after only 3-1/2 days at milepost 45 on Arizona's Interstate 10 — 106 miles west of Phoenix.

— **"SURRENDER AT MILEPOST 45,"** Tom Raabe, October 30, 1975

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

Eleanor Glitherow, sitting in her third-floor office of headquarters and smoking cigarettes, says the familyhood never dissipated from 30 years ago when the airline had one leased DC-3. "A lot of the new people acted like working for PSA was just another job to them," she says. "It was hard to get through to them. But I don't care what anyone says, we're still a family. When we began to furlough the employees because of the strike, I saw 30 girls in accounting going out in tears because they were laid off, and they were saying, 'Thanks for letting us work here.'" — **"TALES OF AN AIRLINE,"** Mark Orwoll, October 30, 1980

### Twenty Years Ago

Nora listened to my theory about the location of the soul of the city. On the day that Nora stood looking out the kitchen window, asking me if this was where the soul of San Diego was, I had to tell her no. It wasn't in Kensington. Nor was it in Clairemont or College Heights or Talmadge Park. North Park and Hillcrest I eliminated after experiencing them through Tom. Tom was looking for the soul of the city too. He chose to live in North Park because he believed that the transience of that neighborhood epitomized the transience of San Diego. But San Diego was becoming too big to reflect only the nature of the unsettled. — **"THE SOUL OF SAN DIEGO,"** Glen Wallace, October 31, 1985

### Fifteen Years Ago

Hi, howya, come in, lemme show ya something. From a tan glueless envelope, 1-1/2" square, the kind used for storing stamps, he removes a speck of hard white paint no larger than a fennel seed. *I peeled this off of "Guernica," you know, the Picasso painting, the big one?* Museum of Modern Art, New York.



San Diego Reader, November 1, 1990

*I waited till the guard was turned away, then I went up and — lookit this. Robert Rauschenberg, y'know his assemb, those construction things? It's from that great one with the stuffed goat and tire, nobody guards art-things like that, not well, a clump of goathair, I just pulled it off. An' lookit this art-thing...* — **"CANVAS CITY HERE I COME,"** Richard Meltzer, November 1, 1990

### Ten Years Ago

"They say suicide," she murmured, blowing smoke in the cleft of her menu, "is misdirected anger — anger turned toward self. I think I'm going to externalize my anger at a dozen raw oysters, even if they get their revenge by giving me large skin lesions." The champagne arrived. It was icy. "You know," Nicole continued, running a lacquered crimson nail around the rim of her champagne flute, "the last time I externalized my anger at some raw oysters was at the Ocean Terrace at George's at the Cove in La Jolla. They were *dry*. Dry as croutons." — **REVIEW: "PAGAN PLEASURE,"** Max Nash, October 26, 1995

### Five Years Ago

Dear Aunt Trudy, My husband is perfect. He does the dishes, takes out the garbage, washes the dog, does his own laundry. There's this one thing about him that drives me crazy — he eats my food. He finishes everything on his plate in about one second and then starts working on mine. He begins slowly, with a string bean or a piece of lettuce, but before long, he's got a chicken leg (my favorite part) and the super crispy french fries I saved for last. — **ASK AUNT TRUDY,** October 26, 2000

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# Crasher

## STEPHANIE WHO?

by Josh Board

I went to a CD release party this summer for a group called Four Eyes. I had seen them play at Humphrey's, and they reminded me of the Beatles, Squeeze, and Elvis Costello.

The party was at Lestat's coffee house on Adams Avenue in Normal Heights. Lestat's was packed, and the temperature in the room was about 20 degrees warmer than outside.

The cover of Four Eyes' new CD, *Sweet on the Vine*, was a picture of a girl eating an apple. Singer Mark DeCerro later introduced the girl as his daughter, a teenager who was there with her boyfriend.

I met a guy at the show who looked like Robert Plant (my friend thought he looked more like Gene Wilder). He was the president of the record company and was there to promote Four Eyes. He went onstage and talked about his record label and then local musician Jose Sinatra took the stage to open for Four Eyes. Looking like Elvis, Neil Diamond, and Liberace rolled into one, Sinatra had the crowd laughing when he compared releasing a CD with having a baby.

The food at the event included appetizers, pizza, quiches, and fruit, and waiters



served iced drinks called Quivertinis — three different flavors of ice cream (strawberry, peach, and lemon) in a martini glass. I overheard a woman next to me say to her friends, "It's like a snow cone, but with flavor."

When Four Eyes took the stage, DeCerro said, "It takes a village to throw a party," and then the band launched into songs from their new record. "Neophyte in Flight" and "Add



woman acted like she recognized me. I felt stupid when, after hearing her talk about her band, I asked, "Are you a musician?" She said, "Josh, you saw me perform last month!" I then realized she was Steph Johnson,

After driving my friend home from the Four Eyes gig, I headed to a party in Mission Valley at the Milano Coffee Shop. Lezley brought bottles of wine for everyone to drink and then tried to get you to join the wine club that sends her the bottles each month. Someone said to me, "Record clubs are for music lovers. This is a club for alcoholics."

I saw a tall woman who looked familiar to me walk into the Milano. She told me that I looked familiar too. Her name was Stephanie, like the girl from the previous party. But not remembering this Stephanie

was more embarrassing — we had gone on a couple of dates a year ago. We sat together and went back and forth on who didn't call whom and why. I remembered that on one of our dates she took a phone call from a guy she was seeing. I reminded her about that. She thought I was mad at her for taking a call while on our date. I told her that I didn't mind that, but that I was bothered when she called him "honey" and then told the guy she was "just out having lunch with a female friend." She fessed up, and we laughed about it.

Lezley offered cheeses and fruit to accompany the wines, and Christopher, the owner of the Milano, served small sandwiches. The patio where we were seated was in front of a gym, and I felt gluttonous eating a chocolate-covered strawberry as several people running on treadmills watched me through the big windows. We were three feet apart, and they were losing the weight I was gaining.

I met a dentist at the wine tasting who introduced his wife and another woman standing with them as "the two women I'm sleeping with." Both women looked shocked.

There was a lady in her 50s

**"Record clubs are for music lovers.  
This is a club for alcoholics."**

Water" were two crowd favorites.

Before leaving, I talked with local musician/music writer Bart Mendoza, but my friend was talking to a cute woman, so I joined them. The

whom I had met. I said, "Well, you look different than you do when you're on stage." (That excuse might work if I were talking to Buckethead, the guitarist who plays with a KFC bucket over his head.)

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at my table who knew something about every topic that was brought up. When Stephanie and I talked about Street Scene, the lady told us how much she loved the White Stripes and other contemporary bands. She had been to many wine tastings and seemed to know a lot about wine, so I asked her what to look for. She said, "There are five S's of wine. I can't remember them all. Swirl, smell, savor...maybe I've had too much wine, that's why I can't remember." She liked the wines Lezley brought and was surprised they were so inexpensive.

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wines, gave us the pertinent info on them, and, as a person nearby said, "poured a full glass, not just a small sample."

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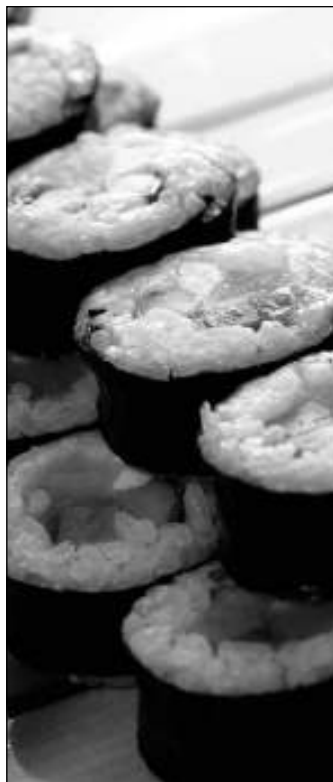
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*Practically all the relationships I know are based on a foundation of lies and mutually accepted delusion.*

— Samantha Jones

(as played by Kim Cattrall on Sex and the City)

I take a sip of my coffee in the silent moment between subjects. We'd already gotten the tedious topics out of the way, the ones that play out like a skipping CD every time we meet — work is not satisfying and family is frustrating. There's only one thing left to talk about (before we

**A good friend's role is to be honest with you, even when you are deluding yourself.**

move on to the entertaining finale of gossip) — his boyfriend.

"So," I tread first, as is the duty of the inquisitor. "How's Paul?"

"He's fine, he's doing great. He loves his job, he gets a lot of respect there." His eyes roll and then settle to meet mine. I smile and nod, waiting for the inevitable. "He just really made me angry last night." *Here it is. The complaining has begun.* It will be another hour before it ends, an hour filled with his ques-

tions and my reassurances, his observations and my skepticisms, and the same advice I always give but that he never takes — dump his sorry ass.

"Why do you put up with it?" I ask, though I already know the answer.

"Because I love him, I guess."

"Are you happy? Are you satisfied? Do you feel like you're getting everything you want out of life and more?"

He looks at me over his cup filled with coffee that must now be cold. "I don't know. I mean, I love him. Maybe we can get counseling."

"You mean, maybe he'll change, right? That's a rare thing, but for your sake, I hope he does."

I want my friends to be happy. I want to see them enjoy their lives and engage in wonderfully fulfilling rela-

tionships. I also want them to feel comfortable being honest with me and to know that I don't judge them for their feelings. But after countless conversations during which I have sympathetically listened to a friend's litany of his beau's personal shortcomings and character flaws, why does he act surprised when I give the cause of his misery the cold shoulder?

I've seen my friends through many relationships, helping them out of the bad ones by consoling them or supporting them in their decision by putting the offender at the top of my shit list. The problem is, each time I have done this, *each time*, the so-called "offender" comes running back to open arms — arms belonging to someone who had worked hard to convince me they would never embrace bullshit again.

And, like clockwork, once my friend is complacent again in his relationship, the guilt he feels for having complained so much in the first place compels him to make up for it by filling my ears and e-mail inbox with praise for the "former" schmuck. And though he might be willing to forgive and move on, I can't forget how he cried, how he screamed, and the pain his boyfriend caused him. A good friend's role is to be honest with you, even when you are deluding yourself. And putting up with a partner who lies, cheats, or consistently behaves like a child for reasons like, "I love him," is the worst kind of delusion. My advice? Love yourself first.

I find it baffling how many people feel

unable to remove themselves from damaging situations and relationships. When I say "damaging," I don't mean the little things — laundry left on the floor, grotesque belching at inappropriate moments, leaving the cap off the toothpaste — all those things that can be easily addressed with good communication. Rather, I am talking about deeply rooted personality traits — those aspects of one's character that define who they are.

Every time I ask my friend Jeff how things are going with his girlfriend of three months, I get the same answer — "Not good." Jeff has gotten himself involved with a woman who invents issues as she goes along, the most prominent of which are her obsession with image and her fear of aging, even though she's a model in her 20s.

"Listen, man," I say, hoping he grasps my sincerity, "get out *now*. Before you find yourself further enmeshed with someone who doesn't love herself, and therefore will never allow anyone else, including you, to love her."

"Yeah, I know," he responds, as though he's told himself the same thing a dozen times already. "I just want to find someone else first." But people are not jobs. And it's not fair to either party if one is simply biding time until something better comes along.

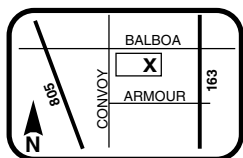
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friends would step up and remind me that I deserve better. My friends are thoughtful, caring, and respectful, which is why it upsets me when they are not treated in kind.

The question we must ask ourselves is, "What would I advise my friend to do in a situation like this?" Chances are you wouldn't say, "Wow, he called you a slut and then went out with his ex-girlfriend for the evening? What you need to do is cook him a nice meal and then give him a massage with a happy ending and things will be right as rain."

I was with one man for four months when I realized my complaints about him outweighed my compliments. I brought this epiphany directly to him in the form of a question — are these things going to change? When the answer was a pas-

sive "No," I bid him a friendly goodbye.

Sometimes it's not that simple. I dated another guy for three months before I realized I was compromising my hopes and dreams for the convenience of having someone around. In that instance, at 22, I took the coward's approach and slowly distanced myself without a forthright explanation, something I had assumed he wasn't mature enough to handle.

"Picture everyone walking around with a bag," says my Uncle Jimmy. "In each bag is a pile of shit. You have one, I have one, we all have one with us wherever we go. When you get to know someone, you look in their bag and they look in yours. Before you begin a relationship, you both have to decide — is this shit I can live with? If the answer is yes, you're good to go. If the answer is

no, you must move on to the next person and their bag. And that's how relationships work."

I ask of you what I have always asked of myself: Think of your partner. If this thought does not delight you, excite you, and fill you with pride, ask yourself, what are you getting out of this relationship? Security? Companionship? Someone is better than no one? Pressure from the family to get married? The loud ticking of your biological clock is inducing panic? Are you afraid of being alone? That no one else will be interested in you? My basic philosophy is that happiness is within our reach. It's never too late to look for someone who will treat you the way you deserve to be treated — with love, respect, and admiration. But this search must begin within you. ■

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Whether you're goth or you just dig celebrity graves (that's "dig" as in "enjoy"), you might be interested to know of these famous former neighbors entombed at a gravesite near you.

#### BOBBY DRISCOLL

(1937–1968) starred as the plantation boy in *Song of the South* (1946), becoming the first child actor signed to an exclusive contract by the Disney studio. After winning an Oscar for his role in the thriller *The Window* (1949) and voicing Disney's *Peter Pan* (1953), he left show business in the mid-'50s. In later



Bobby Driscoll

years, he was arrested for drug possession, assault, and forgery, serving six months in prison and spending time in a mental institution. He died from complications related to hepatitis (heart attack from liver failure and

advanced arteriosclerosis) and was found by children playing in an abandoned New York City tenement building. He was buried in an anonymous grave in Potter's Field on Hart Island until his identity was discovered a year later. His family removed his remains and interred them next to his father (who died in 1969) at Eternal Hills Memorial Park in Oceanside (Calvary section, block 243, lot 7).

#### AMELITA GALLI-CURCI

(1882–1963), born in Italy, was a leading soprano of her day. She specialized in coloratura (singing elaborate ornamentation with improvised or written-out passages), earning up to \$2,500 per performance by 1920. Discovered by famed composer Pietro Mascagni, she sang opposite Enrico Caruso and Beniamino Gigli before developing a throat tumor in 1935 (surgeons removed a six-and-a-half-ounce goiter) and retiring.

Fondly recalling San Diego and her performances at the Savoy Theater on 236 C Street, she moved to Rancho Santa Fe with her husband in 1949. They hoped the local air would help her mate's asthma, though he died in 1956. Moving to La Jolla in 1961, she designed her home to resemble a Tuscan villa and told friends she liked to "converse with and caress trees." After developing an interest in occult subjects like palm reading, she became friends with Paramahansa Yogananda, leader of Encinitas' Self-Realization Fellowship. She died of respiratory failure and was cremated, with her ashes interred at Cypress View



Amelita Galli-Curci

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#### ERNESTINE SCHUMANN-HEINK

(1861–1936), born in Prague, also sang with Caruso and was considered a virtuoso contralto (lowest-pitched female voice) singer. She was best known for American performances of "Stille Nacht" ("Silent Night" by Joseph Mohr and Franz Gruber) and Brahms's "Wiegenlied" which popularized those songs in the States. Up until the year of her death, she performed in concerts, operas, and on

vaudeville stages as well as releasing several albums for Victor Records and appearing in one movie, 1935's *Here's to Romance*. While touring California in January 1910, she paid \$20,000 for 500 acres of land in Grossmont and El Cajon, building a house on one of the Grossmont lots. At the 1915 San Diego Panama-California Exposition, she performed for over 27,000 people at the Balboa Park Organ Pavilion. When the Exposition closed at midnight, January 1, 1917, she sang "Auld Lang Syne" for the crowd. On Christmas Eve 1918, she performed dual shows at San Diego City Plaza and at Camp



Ernestine Schumann-Heink

Kearny; both audiences wore face masks due to an influenza outbreak. In 1922, she bought a three-story, gray stucco mansion in Coronado from John D. Spreckels. She died of leukemia and is buried at Greenwood Memorial Park on Imperial Avenue (Cathedral Mausoleum, Corridor of Sunshine). Her son Ferdinand Schumann-Heink, an actor who appeared in around 65 films, including *Hell's Angels* and *Blonde Venus*, is buried next to her.

#### BUM, THE TOWN DOG

(1886–1898) was a community-pet St. Bernard who

lived downtown. A puppy when he stowed away on a steamer in San Francisco, he disembarked in San Diego and quickly became a local celeb of sorts. He fled all attempts to adopt him, preferring to sleep on the sidewalks and forcing pedestrians to step over or around him. He made daily rounds among butchers and restaurants for scraps and was so well-known that many eateries displayed signs reading "Bum eats here." He often rode with firemen in fire wagons and appeared in parades, drawing cheers with each public appearance. When San Diego began requiring dogs to be licensed with fees, the city council declared Bum exempt and even imprinted his image on the earliest licenses manufactured. As he grew older, he suffered from rheumatism, becoming so crippled that the city board of supervisors granted him a home at the now-defunct County Hospital, located at the end of Front Street on "Pill Hill," where he died a few months later. He was buried on the



Bum

grounds, but no memorial plaque was made and his gravesite is now covered in cement.

#### BILLY VAUGHN

(1919–1991), born in Glasgow, was a jazz and classical

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Billy Vaughn

musician known for playing two saxophones at the same time. Starting out as a singer for the vocal quartet the Hilltoppers (“P.S. I Love You”) in 1952, he went on to serve as music director for Dot Records, arranging dozens of pop music hits in the ’50s and early ’60s, including many “cleaned-up” rock-and-roll songs for Pat Boone. The multi-instrumentalist released many albums of orchestral and easy-listening instrumental music, scoring a number-two hit in 1954 with “Melody of Love” and seeing 36 of his records enter the U.S. album charts between 1958 and 1970, when his last album was released. In all, he received 11 gold and two platinum records; it says so on his tombstone. He died in Palomar and is buried at Oak Hill Memorial Park in Escondido (section 11, lot 437, grave 3).

#### JACK DALTON HOGG, aka “CURLY” HOGG



Sons of the Pioneers, 1944

(1915–1974) was a member of the Americana/ cowboy music group the Sons of the Pioneers and acted in several bit roles on TV and in films. He’s buried at Glen Abbey Memorial Park Cemetery in Bonita (section 72, lot 3, grave 123).

#### VICTOR BUONO

(1938–1982) was born in San Diego, graduating from St. Augustine High School. Taking up acting, he spent his 18th summer onstage at the Old Globe Theatre. He made his first network TV appearance at age 21, playing hip beatnik “Bongo Benny” on 77 *Sunset Strip*. Best known for *What Ever*



Victor Buono

*Happened to Baby Jane?* (1962) and playing King Tut on the *Batman* TV series, he also released a record album in 1972 (*Heavy*, Dore Records LP-325) with titles like “Someday When I’m Skinny,” “Fat Man’s Prayer,” and “You Don’t Have to Be Fat to Hate Rome.” Buono was overweight most of his life and he died of a heart attack at his ranch in Apple Valley. He is buried at Greenwood Memorial Park on Imperial Avenue (Lily Lake crypt 1, tier A).

#### ANDREW PHILLIP CUNANAN

(1969–1997) graduated from La Jolla’s Bishop’s School in

1986 with his yearbook photo captioned “most likely to be remembered.” He briefly studied history at UCSD and worked at California Cuisine on University Avenue. A gay gigolo who frequented Hillcrest bars, he became the subject of a nationwide manhunt after killing four people (the first two were former lovers of his who’d hooked up and moved to Minneapolis). He was the first person from San Diego to be placed on the FBI’s “Ten Most Wanted” list and organizers of the 1997 Gay Pride Parade in Hillcrest held a public forum to discuss additional security measures, in case



Andrew Phillip Cunanan

Cunanan were to show up. While hiding out in Florida, he took a fifth victim, Italian designer Gianni Versace. It’s now believed there may have been an earlier victim too — Cunanan was linked in a recent FBI report to the June 1992 death of Todd Loren, founder of Revolutionary Comics. Cunanan shot himself to death on a Florida houseboat. He is buried at Holy Cross Cemetery on Hilltop Drive (Rosary Chapel 6, upper niche area, unmarked).

#### TODD S. LOREN

(1960–1992), real name Stuart Shapiro, founded Revolutionary Comics in 1989,

published out of Hillcrest. His best known title, *Rock ’N’ Roll Comics*, broke indie comic book sales records in the early ’90s. When not being sued by the New Kids on the Block and other celebrities over his unauthorized illustrated biographies, he managed to release around 200 comic books. The New Kids lawsuit, which he won, established (for the first time) First Amendment rights for comic books. His murder was unsolved for many years — however, Loren was apparently (according to friends, family, and a recent FBI report) romantically involved with future



Todd S. Loren

serial killer Andrew Cunanan. Loren was stabbed and his head bludgeoned in the bedroom of his Hillcrest condo, and his car was stolen, fitting the M.O. Cunanan later established. His headstone in the Mount Shalom section of El Camino Memorial Park on Carroll Canyon Road reads “Beloved Son, Infinite One.”

#### KATE MORGAN

(1868–1892), whose ghost allegedly haunts room 302 (now 3312) of the Hotel del Coronado, was a pretty 24-year-old woman when she checked in alone (as “Lottie A. Bernard” from Detroit, Michigan) on Thursday,



Kate Morgan

November 24, 1892. Five days later, she was found dead on an outside staircase leading to the beach, of an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound, though some speculate that she was murdered by her gambler husband. Many hotel guests claim they’ve seen objects move by themselves, lights flicker, and TVs turning themselves on and off in the room where Morgan stayed. She’s buried at Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street.

#### BEST PAL

(1988–1998) was the most winning California-bred racehorse ever. In six years of racing, he earned over \$5.5 million for his owners at Golden Eagle Farm in Ramona. In his first race in May 1990 at Hollywood Park, his odds were 9–2 and he won by a half-length. He went on to win the first Pacific Classic at Del Mar in 1991 (a million-dollar purse), finished second at



Best Pal

the 1991 Kentucky Derby, and won the 1993 California Gold Cup at Hollywood Park. In all, he won 18 of 47 starts until he retired in 1996, third on the all-time racehorse money-earners list. Best Pal died of apparent heart failure two years later while being ridden at a Ramona training track. He’s buried at Golden Eagle Farm, in a plot near the ranch office building. A pyramidal boulder marks the grave with an inset plaque reading “Best Pal 1988–1998.”

#### RAYMOND CHANDLER

(1888–1959) popularized the detective story, first in pulp magazines and then with his first novel in 1939, *The Big Sleep*. Creator of the Philip Marlowe character, he also wrote screenplays for films like *The Blue Dahlia* (1946), *The Big Sleep* (1946), and *Strangers on a Train* (1951). He and his wife Cissy moved to La Jolla in 1946, settling into a white stucco cottage he called Camino de la Costa, where he lived out most of the rest of his life. Cissy died in 1954, the same year Chandler completed his last novel, *The Long Goodbye*. Chandler began drinking heavily and spent time in a Chula Vista sanitarium after trying to commit suicide, in what friends characterized



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as an attempt to join his wife in death. "Anything else I did in life," he once wrote, "was just the fire for her to warm her hands at." He died of pneumonia while hospitalized at Scripps Clinic. Several of his letters and smoking pipes are on display at the La Jolla Library. He's buried at Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street (division 8, section 3).

### DICK WESSEL

(1913–1965) was an actor on stage, screen, and television who spent World War II as a Marine. Between 1933 and 1965, he appeared in dozens of films, including the Marx Brothers' *Duck Soup* (1933), *Yankee Doodle Dandy* (1942), *An American in Paris* (1951), *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes* (1953), and the monster classic *Them!* (1954). He's best known as the titular bald villain in *Dick Tracy vs. Cueball* (1946), and he played Carney on the 1959 TV show *Riverboat*. Wessel's last role was as the frenetic deliveryman in Disney's *The Ugly Dachshund* (1965). He died



Dick Wessel as Cueball

of a heart attack and is buried at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery (section PS-3, lot 370-E).

### JOSEPH COORS, SR.

(1917–2003) was born in Colorado into the family who owned the Coors Brewing Company, founded by his grand-father. He began working at the plant as technical director in 1946, becoming executive vice president in 1975 and president in 1977. While serving as chief operating officer from 1985 to 1987, he bitterly fought labor leaders over unionization of the plant. A staunch conservative, he was friends with Ronald Reagan and became



Joseph Coors, Sr.

a member of the president's so-called "kitchen cabinet" advisory board. He died of cancer (lymphoma) in Rancho Mirage in Riverside County and is buried in El Camino Memorial Park in La Jolla, with his gravestone reading "His vision lives on through his works."

### MARIE MAROLDO

(1901–1979), born in France, was a singer and actress who used her stature as a "little person" to land gigs on vaudeville stages (where she performed a reportedly disturbing burlesque act) and in several movies, most notably in *The Wizard of Oz* (1939) as one of the singing Munchkins. Some-



Wizard of Oz Munchkins

times billed as "Lady Little," she married fellow midget Johnny Winters and retired to live near downtown, where she worked for a time in a bookstore. She's interred at Greenwood Memorial Park on Imperial Avenue (Cathedral Mausoleum, Sanctuary of Dawn, crypt 25, tier D).

### JOSEPH RUTHERFORD

(1869–1942) was a member of a religious group called the Russellites—they eventually were known as Jehovah's Witnesses. He rose in the ranks to lead the group after the death of founder Charles T. Russell in 1916, becoming the second president of the Watchtower

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Bible and Tract Society. Deciding to give himself the title of “judge,” he moved to San Diego in 1919 after contracting pneumonia, hoping the climate would improve his delicate health.



Joseph Rutherford

In 1929, he commissioned construction of a lavish ten-room mansion on Braeburn Road in Kensington called Beth Sarim (“House of Princes” in Hebrew), deeded to none other than King David of Israel, Moses, Abraham, Gideon, Isaac,

Barak, Joseph, Samson, Jacob, Jephthae, Samuel, and various other ancient Biblical figures mentioned in Hebrews chapter 11, all of whom Rutherford insisted would return from the dead to live at Beth Sarim. The deed specified that Rutherford could live in the house until they arrived. Of course, the ancient prophets never showed up, and so Judge Rutherford resided in the mansion until his death, while his followers lived in poverty during the Great Depression of the 1930s. Jehovah’s Witnesses quietly ceased teaching of the imminent return of their Hebrew heroes after the house was sold in 1948. Judge Rutherford is said to have been illegally buried on the property, at least according to many Jehovah’s Witnesses, though this has never been proven.

## FRANK EARL CURRAN

(1912–1992) was mayor of San Diego from 1963 to 1971. His election was earmarked by a contentious civic struggle over city planning. During his terms, he was responsible for building City College’s Curran Plaza and walkway, constructed so students wouldn’t have to cross the busy street between classes. He was reelected in 1967, but in 1970 he and seven city council members were indicted for bribery and conspiracy over allegedly taking bribes in exchange for supporting a rate increase for the Yellow Cab company. Curran was acquitted, but he lost his bid for reelection. Eight years after his death, when his wife Florence passed away in 2000, it was discovered he’d left their estate — worth approxi-

mately \$1 million — as a surprise bequest to City College, where he’d taken classes when it was called San Diego Junior College. He’s buried with his wife at Eternal Hills Memorial Park in Oceanside.

## BILLY DANIELS

(1915–1988), real name William Boone Daniels, had



Billy Daniels

his own 1952 TV show on ABC, *The Billy Daniels Show*. The 15-minute Sunday-night show was the first net-

work TV variety program hosted by an African American. During every episode, he sang “That Old Black Magic” by Harold Arlen and Johnny Mercer. The show only lasted 13 weeks but he turned up often on other variety programs like *The Colgate Comedy Hour*. He later became a Broadway actor, costarring in *Golden Boy* with Sammy Davis, Jr., beginning in 1964 (the show ran for 568 performances, not counting previews), and receiving second billing behind Pearl Bailey in a revival of *Hello, Dolly!* He’s buried at El Camino Memorial Park in La Jolla (Madonna lawn section, lot 360-D).

## JOHNNY MOREY DOWNS

(1913–1994) appeared as Johnny in around two dozen of Hal Roach’s *Our Gang*

comedies between 1923 and 1927. As he grew older, he began singing and dancing on vaudeville stages and on Broadway before returning to Hollywood in 1934. He appeared in several “college musical” films, usually playing jocks in movies like Hal Roach’s *All American College* (1941). He returned to Broadway in the hit play



Johnny Downs

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on TV but eventually retired and launched a successful career as a real-estate investor. He died of cancer and was cremated, with his ashes interred at Holy Cross Cemetery on Hilltop Drive (St. Elizabeth Urn Garden, plot 278, grave 3-G).

**ULYSSES S. GRANT, JR.** (1852–1929) was the second son of the eighteenth U.S. president. Born when his father was an Army lieutenant in the Fourth Regiment, Junior became a New York lawyer in 1876. In the early 1880s, he was a partner in the investment firm of Grant and Ward, a company he convinced his father to invest capital in. Unfor-

tunately, the firm was a swindle sham cooked up by Ferdinand Ward. When it collapsed in 1884, the entire Grant family became impoverished. After doctors recommended he live in a warmer climate, he moved to San Diego in 1893 with his wife Fannie Josephine and their young children, getting involved in local real estate. Among his construction projects was the U.S. Grant Hotel on Broadway, downtown, which opened in 1910. He worked for his father as a secretary for 18 months during the senior Grant's second term and ran for U.S. senator in 1904 (he lost). A heavy smoker, he died from throat

cancer (which also killed his father) shortly after returning from a trip abroad. Grant's tomb, or at least his gravesite, is at Greenwood Memorial Park on Imperial Avenue. Fannie and his second wife, America, are buried next to him, while his and Fannie's children (and the children's spouses) surround them.

**ALONZO HORTON** (1813–1909) arrived in San Diego at age 54 with his fourth wife, Sarah Babe Horton, in 1867. With an investment partner, the former lumberjack, basket maker, grocer, cattle dealer, and furniture-shop owner purchased roughly 900 acres of

waterfront land for around 30 cents an acre. After having the land surveyed, he mapped out planned city blocks of 300 x 200 feet, with lots 50 x 100 feet. Two years later, he paid \$4,000 for another 160-acre parcel needed to fully own the part of town he decided to call the Horton Addition. In 1869, he spent about \$50,000 to build a wharf at the end of 5th Avenue. By 1870, he'd constructed the town's first public theater — Horton Hall at 6th and F — as well as its first bank (which he became president of). In 1894, he sold to the city the half-block area now known as Horton Plaza Park, with the stipulation that it must forever remain a park. Surviving into his mid-nineties, he ended up losing most of his properties through tax sales and foreclosures, after a depression hit the area and



Alonzo Horton

the population dropped from around 40,000 to about 16,000. He was married five times, though most published records only mention three or four of his wives. He did not have any children. Horton died at the Agnew Sanitarium and is buried at Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street (division 1, section 1).

**NATHAN HARRISON** (1823–1920) was born a slave in Kentucky, eventually becoming California's

first known black business proprietor. Around 1848, he traveled to California to mine with his master, Lysander Utt. In 1850, when California became part of the Union as a free state, Utt could no longer legally keep a slave. Now a free man, Harrison moved to Temecula and raised sheep near the Agua Tibia ranch. As he became more accomplished, he took to herding sheep and cattle for ranchers in Doane Valley near Palomar Mountain. He also worked as a cook and baker until deciding to become a homesteader. Building a cabin on the mountain near a freshwater spring, he opened a way station for travelers along the winding wagon road connecting Pauma and Doane Valley. Besides offering trade goods, he later provided water to early motorists whose radiators overheated



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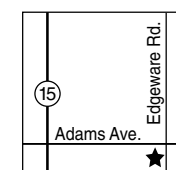
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from the climb, as well as selling fruit from his own garden and cooking meals for passing patrons. Becoming ill in 1920, he traveled to San Diego to see a doctor and died of pulmonary congestion at age 97. In 1955, at the site of his cabin, a U.S. Historical Monument bronze plaque was mounted, the first one ever dedicated to a black man. The county of San Diego named the east Palomar Mountain byway "Nathan Harrison Grade Road." He's buried at Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street, with his gravestone reading "Born a slave, died a pioneer."

**ELISHA BABCOCK, JR.** (1848–1922), born in Chicago, was a civil engineer responsible for the construction of the Hotel del Coronado. He moved to San Diego in 1884 on doctor's orders, hoping the climate would stave off symptoms of tuberculosis, along with wife Isabella and a friend named Hampton L. Story, whose family manufactured pianos. Well-off from railroad investments, Babcock and Story bought 4,185.46 acres of land on Coronado and North Island for \$110,000, hoping to attract residential buyers and raise money to build a world-class hotel. Six thousand people showed up for the pair's first land auction on November 13, 1886, with buyers paying an average of \$1,000 per lot. Every deed included a stipulation that "no liquors shall ever be sold or drunk on the premises," meaning anyone who wanted to get drunk legally had to do so at the (still unbuilt) hotel. Land sales eventually earned the duo \$2.2 million, enabling them to break ground on the hotel in March 1887. Thomas Edison came in to advise on installing a power generator, and 399 bedrooms were available by opening day, February 19, 1888. Soon, John D. Spreckels bought out Story and then paid Babcock more

than one million dollars for his share of the hotel, retaining him as hotel manager. Babcock later built the city's first electric-lighting network in 1904 and developed over 4000 acres of San Diego property. However, he

ended up nearly bankrupt after a flood ruined many of his businesses in 1916 and his enterprise, the Western Salt Company, failed. Babcock is buried with his wife at Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street (divi-

sion 3, section 6).

#### RAY KROC

(1902–1984) became a partner in the McDonald's fast-food chain (then consisting of eight southern California locales) with its founders Richard and Mau-

rice McDonald in 1954. Operating on their behalf, Kroc sold restaurant franchises around the country, keeping 1.9% of each store's gross receipts for himself. In 1961, the McDonald brothers sold their interest in the company to Kroc for

\$2.7 million, though they retained ownership of the chain's very first outlet in San Bernardino at 1398 North E Street (14th and E). In his autobiography *Grinding It Out*, Kroc later wrote: "What a goddamn rotten trick...I opened a

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Ray Kroc

McDonald's across the street from that store, which they had renamed The Big M, and it ran them out of business." In actuality, Kroc's store was a block north, but The Big M did close two years later. He stepped down as CEO of McDonald's in 1974 (instead becoming chairman and then, in 1977, senior chairman) and used his riches to purchase the San Diego Padres baseball team the same year. The ruthless businessman was once quoted, "If my competitor were drowning, I'd stick a hose in his mouth and turn on the water." He died of heart failure and is buried with his wife Joan at El Camino Memorial Park in

La Jolla (Sunset Couches area, section D, bay 2).

#### JOAN B. KROC

(1928–2003), billionaire widow of Ray Kroc, inherited the Padres from her husband in 1984 (the team made it to its first World Series that season, though they lost). She sold the team in 1990 for \$75 million. Born Joan Beverly Mansfield, she married Ray Kroc (her second husband) in 1969. An avid humanitarian and proponent of world peace and nuclear disarmament, her first major philanthropic endeavor in 1976 was funding Operation Cork, a La Jolla-based alcoholism educational program. In 1985, she gave \$3.3 million to the San Diego Zoo, and she later donated \$25 million to found the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at UCSD (opened 1991). One of her biggest area contributions, late in life, was \$87 million given to the Salvation Army to develop the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community



Joan Kroc

Center for arts and recreation in east San Diego. The center opened in 2002 and includes an indoor ice skating rink, three swimming pools, a library, and a \$15 million theater. She died of cancer at her home in Rancho Santa Fe, leaving in her will over \$200 million to National Public Radio, including \$5 million for local NPR station KPBS. She's buried with her husband at El Camino Memorial Park in La Jolla.

#### DICK (RICHARD) W. SIMMONS

(1913–2003), born in Minnesota, was an actor whose career spanned 40 years. Between 1937 and 1977, he

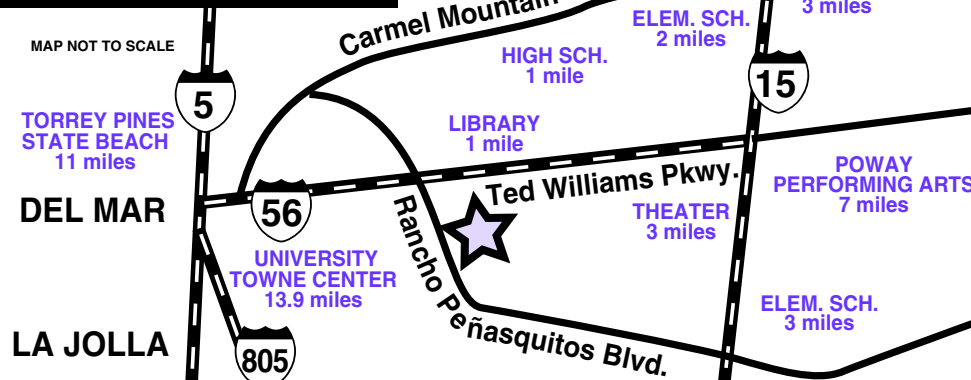
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performed in over 60 films and nearly two dozen TV shows. After moving to L.A. in the 1930s, he was signed to MGM Studios as a contract player and appeared in movies like *A Million to One* (1937), *Lady in the Lake* (1947), and *The Three Musketeers* (1948), though he left Hollywood for the military to serve in World War II. In later years, he took roles in flicks like *Rear Window* (1954), Rat Pack films *Sergeants Three* (1962) and *Robin and the Seven Hoods* (1964), and *Lassie's Great Adventure* (1965). He's best known as Sergeant Frank Preston on the half-hour syndicated TV series *Sgt. Preston of the Yukon* (1955–1958), playing a Canadian Mountie who caught criminals with the aid of his Husky dog Yukon King and his horse Rex. He ended each episode by hugging his dog and saying, "Well, King, it looks like this case is closed." Later TV appearances included roles on *Leave It to Beaver*, *I Spy*, *The Brady Bunch* and *Dragnet* 1967. Simmons died of Alzheimer's disease and is buried at Eternal Hills Memorial Park in Ocean-side (Sanctuary of Hope, niche 40, plot D).

**JONAS SALK**  
(1914–1995) became the



Jonas Salk

head of the Virus Research Lab at the University of Pittsburgh in 1947 and began

studying the polio virus. In 1952, he tested the lab's new vaccine (developed by him and many other scientists) by injecting volunteers, including himself, his wife, and their three sons. They all began producing antibodies to the disease, and he

published these results in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* as nationwide testing began. Salk became a public hero, not just for his part in nearly eradicating a deadly disease but for his altruism in refusing to patent the vaccine.

The injected vaccine was eventually replaced by an oral variation developed by Albert Sabin, as Salk found himself accused by scientists he'd worked with of hogging all the glory for the initial successes. In 1960, San Diego Mayor Charles

Dail, who'd had polio, invited Salk to move to San Diego by offering him seventy acres of land just west of the proposed site for UCSD, on which he could build a center for medical and scientific research. In 1963, he founded the Salk Institute

for Biological Sciences in La Jolla, saying at the time, "I couldn't possibly have become a member of this institute if I hadn't founded it myself." With initial financial support from the National Foundation/March of Dimes, the architecturally

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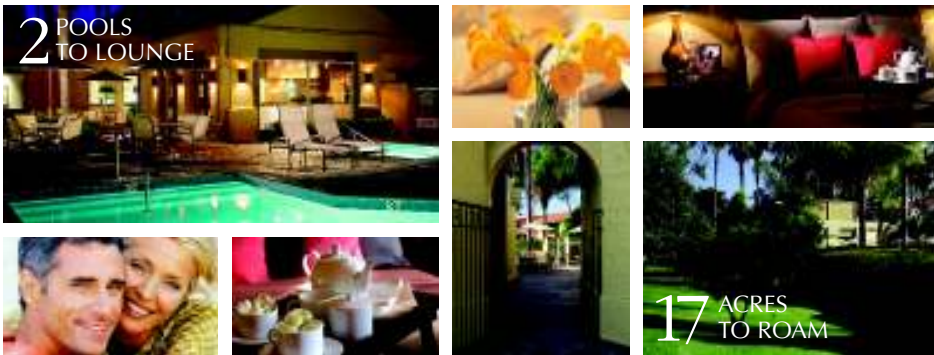
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For a number of years real estate developers have been converting commercial buildings and apartments into residential condominiums with a high success rate while providing neighborhoods with affordable housing. 350 West Ash was built in 1989 as a commercial high-rise building. In early 2004, the developer began the conversion of this office building into a state-of-the-art luxury residential high-rise. Slowly and meticulously the vision became reality and transformed this building from just a mere skeletal shell of concrete and steel into what now stands as 350 West Ash Urban Homes at the corner of Ash and State Streets. This dream turned into a testament that may become a trend with builders and community leaders who are looking for a solution to affordable housing in any area. 350 West Ash Urban Homes is the largest such building transformation in San Diego and serves as a benchmark for development in the future.

Thick cement slab flooring, high ceilings, double-layered drywall between the units and dual-pane windows, highlighted by stainless-steel appliances and laminate wood flooring serve as the foundation of the construction quality. As a commercial office building, the typical floor-to-ceiling heights were over 13 feet. The developer took advantage of this element in every unit by maximizing the ceiling heights wherever possible. Also interesting about 350 West Ash Urban Homes is that with only 76 units, 42 of the floor plans are unique. As an added bonus, each unit also has a storage cage included with the purchase. Additionally, the building has an abundance of fully secured parking and extra storage that can be purchased separately or included in your loan amount. One of the most important elements of 350 West Ash Urban Homes is the fact that the building has no employees. That's right, it is fully automated! By incorporating extremely high-tech automated systems into the building, the cost of maintenance personnel is minimal, thus reducing monthly homeowner fees. The building is equipped with security cameras at multiple locations and the doors are all alarmed and secure, accessible only by access card. The HVAC and mechanical systems are all monitored by computer as well as with automated alarms and computerized controls. This alone is going to keep the common area fees stable and enhance the value of each unit, which is unlike most other condominium developments that have employees, which creates ongoing additional expenses. This is truly a 'smart building' in every sense of the term, which is why it has quietly attracted so many professionals, particularly within the real estate industry.



Because of these extraordinary features that come standard in these units, 350 West Ash Urban Homes is one of the fastest-selling developments in Downtown San Diego. Located in the heart of Little Italy, these luxurious condominiums offer a variety of views of the San Diego Bay, the Downtown skyline and surroundings. Homeowner Cipi Gamino says, "The location couldn't be better. I am very happy with my purchase here at 350. After a long day at work I can relax in my condo watching the planes come in to Lindbergh Field and await the sun setting over the bay. What a view!" Cipi noticed a difference in 350 West Ash Urban Homes from the moment he looked at the building. He noticed that all of the units were strategically planned for northern, western and southern exposure and that the views were all incredible! This is due to the fact that the first five floors of 350 West Ash Urban Homes is an above-ground multilevel parking structure. It was also nice that all appliances, including washer/dryer and upgraded stainless-steel refrigerators, are included as standard amenities with every purchase.

Cipi Gamino recently purchased a two-bedroom condominium at 350 West Ash Urban Homes. That in and of itself certainly is not unusual. It is also not so unusual that he is heavily involved with and makes his living in the real estate industry. What might be a little unusual, however, is the fact that his family members, extended family and some 35 other professionals have also purchased here at 350 West Ash Urban Homes. Educated professionals such as architects, brokers, lenders, designers, engineers, lawyers, a motivational speaker and their friends and family members are all a part of our community here at 350 West Ash Urban Homes. Having a large number of the residents here associated with the real estate and development industry is a testament to the excellence of the product being offered.

Well-suited for the working professional or retiree, 350 West Ash is only a few blocks from the trolley, train depot, harbor, cruise ships, courthouses, freeway and airport. Living in this friendly community eliminates the tedious and exhausting commute from neighboring suburban areas of San Diego, giving you more time for relaxation and living the lifestyle you have always wanted. The buyers here also find comfort in our state-of-the-art security system, providing controlled privacy and secured multi-level parking. When you are not entertaining friends in your urban residence, you may want to utilize our fully furnished and professionally decorated community room for larger gatherings. You can also enjoy a stroll to the Gaslamp District, Horton Plaza, a Padres game at the new Petco ballpark, or a few blocks away relax with a glass of wine and an exquisite meal at one of the many fabulous restaurants in Little Italy. Cipi Gamino again adds, "There is so much to do within walking distance. Like others in this neighborhood, I walk just about everywhere I go. With the rising price of gasoline these days, it has turned out to be a very convenient move." While we are located in the heart of the city and close to everything you would need, we are still far enough away from the noisy nightlife in the Gaslamp and the frustrating traffic near the ballpark, so you can relax and enjoy a quiet evening at home.

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With our sales having been solid and consistent from the start, 350 West Ash is nearly 80% sold out with some premium units just having been released. The sales staff provides an accommodating yet low-pressure environment to make the customer's visit a pleasant experience. 350 West Ash Urban Homes is worth the visit to see what vision and dreams are all about. I think you should see for yourself why so many professionals in the real estate industry made the choice to purchase at 350 West Ash Urban Homes. It's truly a smart buy! We have only 16 units remaining, so hurry and don't miss out on this limited opportunity to walk into the equity waiting for you. Sales agents are on-site from 10 am-5 pm daily. Our sales office is located on State Street in unit 101...just follow the signs. You may also visit us on our website at [www.350westash.com](http://www.350westash.com), or feel free to call anytime: (619) 696-6006.

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unique structure housing the Institute was finished in 1967 — the original Institute buildings were declared a historic landmark in 1991. Salk's last years were spent searching for a vaccine against AIDS. He died of congestive heart failure and is buried at El Camino Memorial Park in La Jolla (Mount Shalom section, lot 386-A).

## LLOYD HAYNES

(1934–1987), real name Samuel Lloyd Haynes, was an African-American Marine commander who served in Korea. Later turning to show



Lloyd Haynes

business, he became a TV crewman until a casting agent decided he was too charismatic to waste behind the camera. As an actor, he's best known for playing Mr. Dixon, the with-it history teacher on ABC's topical

TV show *Room 222* (1969–1974). He also appeared in films like *Ice Station Zebra* (1968) and *The Greatest* (1977). One of his last roles was as Mayor Morgan on the TV soap *General Hospital*. He died of lung cancer and is buried at Eternal Hills Memorial Park in Oceanside (Folded Flags block, lot 3).

## RICHARD T. GARRICK

(1878–1962), born in Ireland, was an actor whose real name was Richard T. O'Brien. He changed his name to appear less ethnic to casting agents. Besides serving in the 26th Regiment Infantry, he performed in around three dozen films between 1912 and 1956 including *Green Grass of Wyoming* (1948), *A Streetcar Named Desire* (1951), *Viva Zapata* (1952), *Stars and Stripes Forever* (1952), and *High Society* (1956). He also directed around two dozen silent films, beginning with *Exposed by the Dictograph* in 1912. In the early to mid-'50s, he turned



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up on TV shows like *Cavalcade of America*, *Dragnet*, and *My Friend Flicka*. He's buried at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery (section Y, grave 59).

## MILBURN STONE

(1904–1980) was best known for playing Dr. Galen Adams



Milburn Stone

("Doc") on the TV show *Gunsmoke*. He started his career in vaudeville as half of the song-'n'-joke team of Stone and Strain. After settling in Hollywood in 1935, he became a contract player for Universal Studios, later appearing in films such as *The Atomic City* (1952) and *Invaders from Mars* (1953). A *Gunsmoke* cast member from 1955 through 1972, he retired from the show due to poor health and settled in San Diego with wife Jane Garrison Stone, but not before winning an Emmy for his role in 1968 and earning a star on Hollywood's Walk of Fame. His brother Joe Stone was for many years a columnist for the *San Diego Evening Tribune* and later the *San Diego Union* until retiring in 1977. Stone died of a heart attack in La Jolla and was inducted posthumously in 1981 into the Western Performers Hall of Fame at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. He's buried at El Camino Memorial Park, his headstone reading "Lord I Am with You Above" (Vista del Lago section, lot 401-D).

## JOHN ALEXANDER "BID" MCPHEE

(1859–1943) was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in March 2000, though his career unfolded a century previously. Considered the top second baseman of his day, he played for

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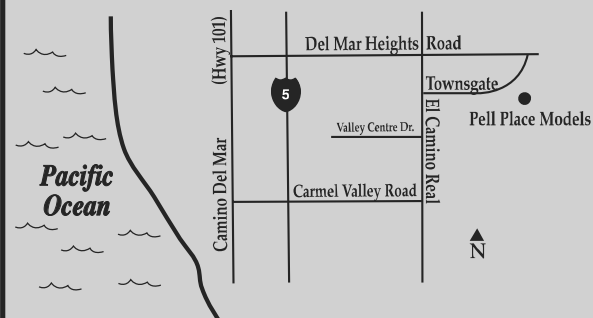
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ing a finger, he finally put on a glove for the 1896 season. He retired as a player after the 1899 season but returned to manage the Reds to a last-place finish in 1901. In 1902, he resigned after only 65 games but continued to scout for the team until 1909, when he quit baseball altogether and moved to Ocean Beach, where he lived for over thirty years. He died at home and is interred at Cypress View Mausoleum and Crematory on Imperial Avenue (Shepherd Lane, corridor 4, niche 98).

**CHRIS-PIN MARTIN**  
(1893–1953), real name Ysabel Ponciana Chris-Pin Martin Piaz, appeared in around 125 films, beginning with *The Gold Rush* (1925) and ending with *Mesa of Lost Women* (1953). Born in the Arizona territory to Mexican parents, he usually played comically dim-witted Hispanic characters named Pepe, Pancho, Poncho, Pedro, Paco, or Pico in films like *Billy the Kid*

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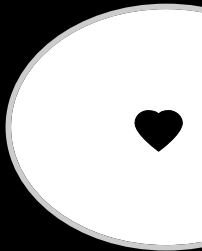
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### DOROTHY HELEN KELLY

(1918–1969) was an actress who appeared in films like *Yankee Doodle Dandy* (1942), *The Falcon and the Co-Eds* (1943), and *The Sky's the Limit* (1943). She burned to death in a La Jolla fire and is buried at El Camino Memorial Park (Loma Siesta section, lot 132-C, grave 2).

### WILLIAM KETTNER

(1864–1930) was a U.S. Congressman, elected in 1913 as a Democrat representing California's 11th District in the U.S. House of Representatives. He served four terms, until 1921, the same year Kettner Boulevard (formerly Arctic Street) was named after him. He moved to San Diego in 1907 to establish an insurance agency but ended up being talked into running for Congress. On his election, realizing the strategic value of having Naval and Marine bases in San Diego, he made it happen by talking with Navy officials about dredging the harbor so that large ships could dock. After spending an evening at the Army and Navy Club in Washington discussing the matter with the General Board of the Navy Department, the Senate Commerce Committee

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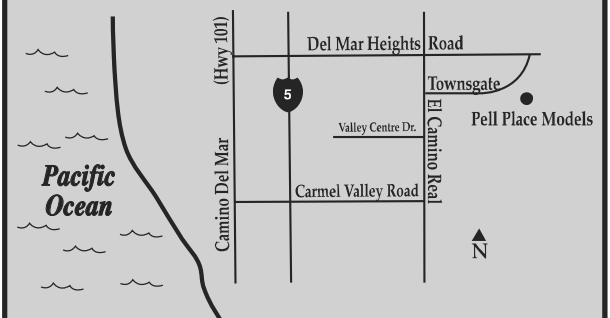
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was also involved in the beginnings of the North Island Naval Air Station and, under his sponsorship, the Navy built the Naval Hospital in the Balboa Park area in 1919. In 1921, he stepped down as congressman due to poor health and a financial downturn in his

insurance business. Kettner died at Mercy Hospital and was buried in a Masonic service at Greenwood Memorial Park on Imperial Avenue.

**THOMAS J. HIGGINS** (1923–2000) was a cartoonist and trivia buff who

drew a record 487 comics for the daily syndicated strip *Ripley's Believe It or Not*. He was drafted into the Army in 1943, serving as an aircraft mechanic stationed in the Philippines and then being assigned to Japan as a staff sergeant. On his return to civilian life, aside from

drawing for Ripley's, he created cartoon strips for trade publications like *Auto-Oddities* for a car dealer, *Mutual Mirror* for an insurance agent, *Matter of Fact* for dairy products, and *Electricity* for an electrical wholesaler. In 1981, when his 100th contribution to Ripley's was

published, his own cartoon likeness was included in the panel. In 1984, he and his wife Teresa moved to San Diego, hoping the climate would alleviate complications he endured from scarred lungs suffered during the post-World War II occupation of Japan (he'd



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spent two years in an Army hospital). He joined the Southern California Cartoon Society and, as a hobby, began carving birdhouses and walking sticks out of driftwood he found on local beaches. Higgins died of pulmonary failure at Veterans Affairs Medical Center, with his memorial service held at St. Mark's United Methodist Church in Clairemont. He was cremated and his ashes interred at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery.

## REED HOWES

(1900–1964), real name Hermon Reed Howes, was a Harvard graduate and



Reed Howes

former Arrow shirt model who made his mark in Hollywood as a dashing silent-film hero. He played in over 150 films between 1923 and 1961, the majority westerns, taking on more villainous roles after the advent of movie sound. He appeared in serials and films, including *The Lone Ranger* (1938), *Buck Rogers* (1940), *The Cheyenne Kid* (1940), *The Stork Club* (1945), *Superman* (1948), and *Hangman's Knot* (1952). Among the TV shows he appeared in during the '50s were *Wild Bill Hickock*, *The Gene Autry Show*, and *Cisco Kid*. His last film role was in Ed Wood, Jr.'s *The Sinister Urge* (1961). The one-time Navy recruit is buried at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery (section X, lot 2163).

## THOMAS WHALEY

(1823–1890), the son of a New York merchant family that owned the land now known as Central Park, moved to San Diego in 1851 and built what's now the oldest still-extant brick structure in Southern Califor-

nia, located in Old Town. Constructed in 1856–1857 and originally intended as a home, it also served as a granary, billiard hall, theater, and one of the city's earliest courthouses. Among Whaley's endeavors was brick-making in Mission

Valley (the first burnt bricks made in San Diego), serving as city clerk from 1881 to 1882, and becoming city trustee in 1886. His off-and-on residence, now known as the Whaley House Museum, is one of only two homes in California to be officially

recognized as haunted (certified in the early '60s) by the U.S. Department of Commerce. Whaley wrote in his journal that he often heard the heavy, spurred footsteps of 6' 4" "Yankee" Jim Robinson, who'd been hanged on that plot of land before the

house was built. Whaley himself is also said to haunt the house, with visitors claiming to have seen his apparition in the master bedroom or at the top of the stairs, wearing a long coat and top hat. Others claim to smell his Cuban

cigar smoke or to hear his speaking voice, albeit addressed to an unseen third person. In addition, the ghost of his wife Anna is said to haunt the premises, and some visitors claim to have seen a ghostly child, presumed to be either

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Whaley's 17-month-old son who died of scarlet fever or a neighbor's daughter who died after slicing her neck on Anna Whaley's clothesline. Thomas Whaley is buried at Mount Hope Cemetery on Market Street (division 9, section 1).

**ANNA WHALEY** (1837–1913), whose maiden name was Anna Eloise De Launay, was born in France and married Thomas Whaley in 1853. Her ghost reportedly haunts Old Town's Whaley House Museum, sometimes seen outside at

dusk watering the California pepper trees she planted in 1856. An accomplished pianist while alive, she's also been reported to materialize in a ball of light and float down the stairs into the music room, where the piano is sometimes heard playing

while nobody is in the room. Most manifestations are said to include the smell of her lavender perfume. She's buried with her husband at Mount Hope Cemetery.

**DAN BRODERICK** (1944–1989) and **LINDA BRODERICK** (1961–1989) were murdered by Dan's ex-wife Betty. Dan met Betty while attending Notre Dame as a pre-med student, marrying her in April 1969. Deciding to become a medical malpractice lawyer, he enrolled at Harvard Law School while Betty worked to support the two of them. On graduation, he got a well-paying job (over a million dollars yearly) as an attorney in San Diego. Over the next few years, the couple had four children. After hiring a new secretary in 1983, 21-year-old Linda Kolkena, Dan began an affair with her. Dan and Betty were legally separated in 1985, but Betty didn't take it well, harassing the new couple so much that she was jailed twice for



Linda and Dan Broderick

violating restraining orders against her and was committed for several days to a mental institution. Upon their January 1989 divorce, Dan got custody of their children, and Betty received a \$30,000 lump sum and \$9,000 in monthly alimony (she'd petitioned for a million dollars and \$25,000 a month). On November 5, 1989, Betty entered the new couple's house with a key she'd stolen from her daughter and shot Dan and Linda to death as they slept in their bed. Dan and Linda Broderick are buried at Greenwood Memorial Park on Imperial Avenue (Olive section, near the roadway).

**ARCHIE MOORE** (1913–1998) moved to southeast San Diego in 1938, two years into his boxing career. Nicknamed "The Old Mongoose," he held the light heavyweight title for 11 of the 27 years he boxed. He scored more knockouts than anyone — between 136 and 145, depending on the scoring method used. His 1958 title defense against Yvon Durelle is often cited as one of boxing's greatest fights, and he's the only boxer to fight both Rocky Marciano (1955) and Muhammad Ali (1962, when he was still called Cassius Clay). Ali/Clay predicted for reporters at the time, in typical rhyme, "Archie Moore



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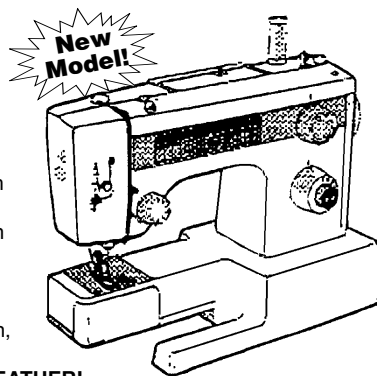
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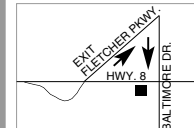
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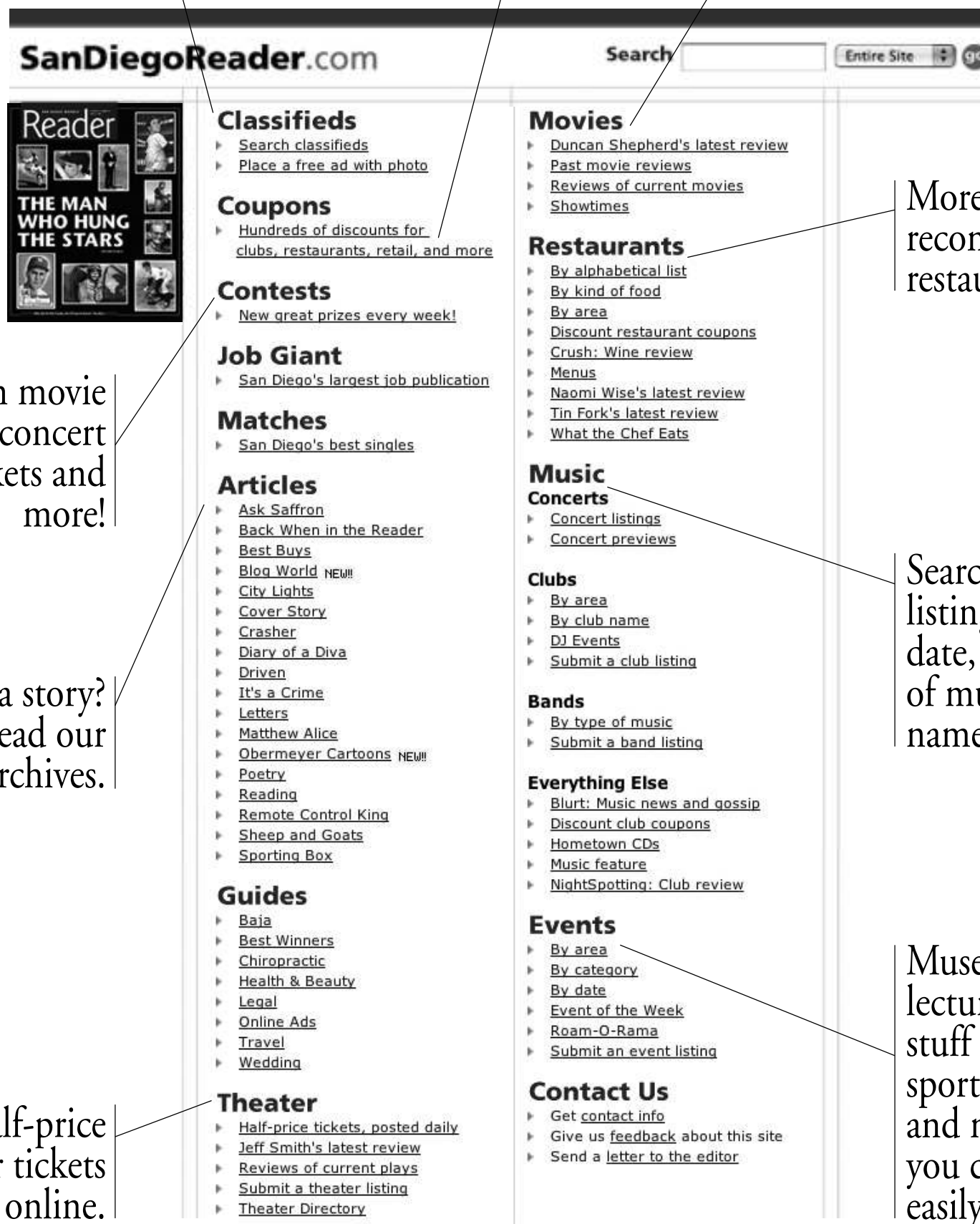


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must fall in four." Moore was indeed beaten by a knockout in the fourth round. He retired in 1963 with a final record of 181 wins, 24 losses, 9 draws, and a single no contest. In later years, he established a local sporting program for underprivileged kids called "Any Boy Can" and was granted a ceremonial key to the city by San Diego officials in 1965. A road in Ramona was named after him, and

he was inducted into the International Boxing Hall of Fame in 1990. Moore died of heart failure and was cremated, with his remains interred in an urn at Cypress View Mausoleum and Crematory on Imperial Avenue (Apostle Gallery, niche 401).

### **NAT PENDLETON**

(1895–1967) was an actor and Olympic athlete. While attending Columbia University, he was a two-time



*Nat Pendleton*

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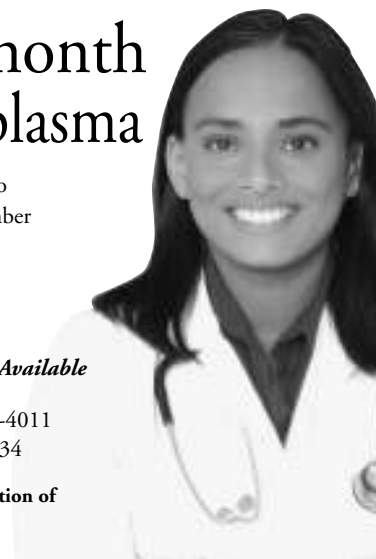
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**Do these symptoms  
impair your functioning  
in day-to-day activities?**

**Dr. Steven R. Drosman** is conducting a research study of an investigational medication for the treatment of **Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder** or **Severe PMS**.

*Participants will receive at no cost:*

- Study-related Gynecological Exams
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- Compensation for time and travel will also be provided.

For more information and an initial phone screen, call the offices of:

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# There is hope...

**Pacific Sleep Medicine** offers hope, and help, for patients who suffer from a wide range of medical conditions through participation in clinical research studies. All participants receive compassionate care from our nationally-recognized physicians and a dedicated staff of experienced clinical researchers.



## Insomnia?

**Do you regularly have trouble falling asleep or waking and are not able to get back to sleep?**

We understand how difficult this can be, both day and night.

If you are 18 years of age or older and have a history of insomnia for at least 3 months, you might qualify to take part in a research study of an investigational new medication for Insomnia.

Eligible participants receive study related care at no charge, including a physical exam, sleep exams, laboratory services and study medication.

Qualified participants receive up to **\$2,350** for time and travel.

## Tingling, painful feet?

**Do you suffer with pain, burning, numbness or sharp shooting pains in your feet associated with Diabetes?**



We are conducting a clinical research study of an investigational medication for Diabetic peripheral neuropathy.

You may be eligible if you:

- Are at least 18 years of age and not older than 70 years of age
- Have been diagnosed with Diabetes Mellitus (Type I or II)
- Experience numbness, tingling and pain in your feet
- Are on a stable diet, exercise, and medication regimen to control your diabetes

Qualified participants receive study-related care and study medication at no charge and may be compensated up to **\$575** for time and travel.

## Painkillers and Constipation?



**Pacific Sleep Medicine is currently conducting a clinical research study of an investigational medication for the treatment of painful constipation caused by strong pain medications.**

If you are currently taking strong pain medications to relieve your pain, and you regularly suffer from constipation, you may qualify for this study.

**To qualify, you must be:**

- 18 years of age or older
- Currently taking opioids (strong pain medications) to treat your pain
- Constipated, or show other signs of bowel dysfunction
- Not experiencing pain as a result of cancer

Study participants will receive study medications, study-related exams, and all laboratory tests at no cost. Qualified participants may receive up to **\$476** for time and travel.



## Creepy, crawly legs?

**Do you have the urge to move your legs or feel unpleasant sensations in your legs at night?**

We are looking for volunteers to participate in a clinical research study testing an investigational medication for Restless Legs Syndrome or "RLS."

Eligible participants must be 18-75 years of age and experience symptoms of RLS, or an irresistible urge to move the legs or uncomfortable sensations that worsen during periods of rest or inactivity

All office visits, medical evaluations, and study medications related to this study will be provided at no cost. Qualified participants will be compensated up to **\$650** for time and travel.

**For more information on these and other clinical studies, call (toll-free):**

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the 1920 Olympics in Belgium, he won the silver medal in wrestling. He briefly turned to professional wrestling before going to Hollywood to play strongman Sandow in *The Great Ziegfeld* (1936) with William Powell. He'd work with Powell again, playing Detective John Guild in several "Thin Man" movies, and he appeared in Bela Lugosi's only color film, *Scared to Death* (1947). In conjunc-

tion with his acting career, he wrote a film in 1933, *Deception*, in which he played — what else? — a wrestler. After winding down his career with roles on TV shows like *Dr. Kildare*, he died of a heart attack and was cremated, with his ashes interred at Cypress View Mausoleum and Crematory on Imperial Avenue (corridor A NW, number 9 — inside of door frame on left side).

**LADY'S SECRET** (1982–2003) was a racehorse nicknamed "The Iron Lady." The daughter of champion racer Secretariat, she had 25 wins out of 45 starts, in addition to winning nine places and three shows with total earnings of over \$3 million. She won the 1986 Breeders' Cup Distaff (G1), Whitney Handicap (G1), and Bel-dame Stakes (G1) and was named 1986 Horse of the Year. She was inducted into

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### Taking ED Medication?



Does your erectile dysfunction (ED) medication have the lasting effects you desire?

We are conducting a research study to determine male sexual responsiveness over time, to a previously approved ED medication.

To qualify, you must:

- be 18-70 years old
- have had ED for at least 3 months

All study related care is provided at no charge including physical examinations, laboratory services and study medication. Financial compensation for time and travel may be available.

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### Healthy but have asthma? Take the quiz!



- ☐ Have you had asthma for at least 6 months?
- ☐ Is your asthma getting you down because it won't let up?
- ☐ Are you 18 to 65 and willing to participate in a no cost, 14 wk-10 office visit, research study?

If you've checked at least 2 of the boxes, we need you for a no cost research study of a new investigational medication. Qualified participants will be reimbursed up to \$700 for time and travel at the end of the study.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** You must be a non smoker for at least 6 months, be using a short acting B2-agonist (Albuterol) at least 4 times a week or be using a low-dose, inhaled corticosteroid at least 4 weeks before your first appointment with us. You also must not have had any respiratory tract infection within 2 weeks of your first appointment with us. **Call now!**



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### Schizophrenia Research Study



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More than 2 million Americans suffer from schizophrenia in a given year. People with schizophrenia often suffer terrifying symptoms such as...

- **Hearing internal voices not heard by others**
- **Believing that other people are reading their minds**
- **Believing that other people are controlling their thoughts**
- **Believing that other people are plotting to harm them**
- **Speech and behavior can be disorganized**

If you suffer from schizophrenia you might qualify to take part in a research study. We are currently looking for men and women 18 years and older to participate in a clinical research study of an investigational medication for the treatment of schizophrenia. Office visits, medical evaluations, and study medications related to this study will be provided at no cost. Compensation provided for time and travel.

For more information or to see if you or someone you know qualifies, please contact

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## Attention Alcohol Drinkers:

Researchers at The Scripps Research Institute are working to develop new treatments for alcoholism. Volunteers are needed to participate in clinical research testing different drugs: both drinkers who want to stop, as well as drinkers who are not trying to stop. Qualified participants will be paid.

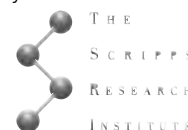


For more information and to find out if you qualify for any of these studies, please call

**858-784-7867 or 858-784-7325,**

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for more detailed information.





# Schizophrenia medication research study with no placebo (inactive pill).

Over the past 24 years we have only seen a few research studies where a sponsor studies their investigational medication without a placebo. This means that all qualified participants have an opportunity to try a new investigational medication.

So, if you or a loved one have schizophrenia and are unhappy with your current treatment, either due to side effects, troubling thoughts, or voices, this investigational medication may be worth trying.

We are caring, experienced professionals funded by a well-known pharmaceutical company to conduct an inpatient and outpatient research study of an investigational medication for qualified patients with schizophrenia.



## If you or a loved one participates, there is no cost...instead:

- They receive up to \$1825 for time and travel.
- Transportation provided for those in need.
- They receive no-cost research study-related medication and medical care.
- No reports are made to employers, schools, or insurance companies.
- Study lasts up to one year.



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# Creepy, Crawly, Nighttime Legs



Is a creepy crawly feeling in your legs keeping you up at night? If so, you could be suffering from Restless Legs Syndrome (RLS). If you are 18 or older, and are in general good health, you may qualify to try an investigational medication being studied for the possible treatment of RLS.

Every study conducted by California Clinical Trials is staffed by a team of skilled and experienced physicians and medical professionals trained to place your comfort and well-being first.

## If you participate, there is no cost to you...instead:

- You may receive up to \$350 for your participation.
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# I sleep, I wake up, I sleep, I wake up...

## A new study of an investigational medication for insomnia may help put you to sleep.

- Restless sleep disturbs the normal rhythms of the body.
- When poor sleep becomes a regular problem it can affect your health.
- If you wake up tired or feel sleepy during the day, you are not sleeping well at night!

If you have chronic problems falling and/or staying asleep, you may qualify for a research study in our state-of-the-art sleep clinic and receive an investigational medication for poor sleep.

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## Qualified participants:

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# Anxiety doesn't just stress your mind.



## We know it can ...

- Decrease your immune response
- Decrease your physical and mental functioning
- Increase fats in the bloodstream
- Be mistaken for medical conditions
- Interfere with sleep

If you are between the ages of 18 and 64, you may qualify to take part in a research study of an investigational medication for Generalized Anxiety Disorder.

Every study conducted by California Clinical Trials is staffed by a team of skilled and experienced physicians and medical professionals trained to place your comfort and well-being first.

## Qualified participants:

- Will receive up to \$450 for time and travel.
- Receive no-cost study-related medication and study-related medical care.
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Do you or  
does someone  
you know have  
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Bipolar disorder is a serious disorder of the brain that can cause extreme shifts in mood, energy, and functioning. Individuals with

bipolar disorder usually suffer from cycles of mania/hypomania and depression. Bipolar depression symptoms may include persistent sadness or emptiness, irritability, loss of interest in previously enjoyed activities, or difficulty concentrating.

If you or someone you know is experiencing symptoms of depression and have been diagnosed with bipolar I or bipolar II disorder, you may be interested to learn about a clinical research study of an investigational medication for bipolar depression.

We are looking for male and female participants between the ages of 18 and 65.

For more information, please visit our website at:

**bipolardepressionresearch.com**

For more information, please contact

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## Are you a Type 2 Diabetic having problems controlling your blood sugar?

If so, you may be able to help out with a clinical research trial studying the safety and effectiveness of an investigational medicine.

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For information, please contact:

**Mary Lou Fuller, RN**

**858-613-2965 ext. 251**



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the Thoroughbred Hall of Fame in 1992. In March 2003, she died of complications from foaling and was buried under an oak tree in the pasture where she romped each day with her friend, Superb Dawn, at Valley Creek Farm in Valley Center.

### BARBARA PAYTON

(1927–1967), real name Barbara Lee Redfield, left her husband in Minnesota in 1945 to attempt a Hollywood career and was later signed to Universal as a contract player for \$100 a week. She debuted in the comedy *Once More, My Darling* (1949) and quickly gained a reputation as a party girl and “queen of the casting

## Are You Currently Diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder?

Do you currently have a combination of the following symptoms?

- Unusual periods of “highs and lows” · Racing thoughts · Poor attention span
- Excessive involvement in activities · Unusually elevated mood
- Changes in appetite · Irritability

You may qualify to try an investigational medication while participating in a research study and be reimbursed \$50 for each inpatient hospitalization day and \$100 for each outpatient visit. Total reimbursement will not exceed \$3050.

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### ...Time For A Different Approach...Research Study

A 9-month clinical research study of an investigational medication is underway for women with recurrent bacterial infections of the vagina. **Bacterial Vaginosis (BV)** causes a foul-smelling, creamy and often irritating discharge that can recur even when diagnosed. If you are a woman who is frustrated with numerous doctor visits and medications that only help for a short period of time, you may be interested.

To possibly qualify:

- 1) Females, 18-45 years of age
- 2) Recently treated for BV or with symptoms at present
- 3) Have had at least 2 documented episodes of BV in past 12 months

Qualified participants receive at no cost:

- 1) Study-related exam and consultation with a board-certified OB-GYN
- 2) Pap smear, cultures and study medication
- 3) Compensation for your time and travel

Interested, call Laurel at:

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## Clinical Research for seasonal allergies

Radiant Research is seeking people who have seasonal allergies to participate in a clinical research study.

Qualified participants will receive all study-related care and investigational medication at no cost, and may also receive compensation up to \$1000 for time and travel.

**To find out more, call the number below.**

Call Mon-Fri for more information

**866.818.3253**

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[www.radiantresearch.com](http://www.radiantresearch.com)







Barbara Payton

couch,” as one columnist referred to her. Eventually going public about her affairs with Howard Hughes, John Ireland, George Raft, and Bob Hope, she told *Confidential* magazine of the latter: “We only knew each other a few hours before we knew each other as well as a boy and girl ever can.” Universal dropped her, but Warner Brothers picked up the beautiful 5’ 4” blonde on contract at \$5,000 a week. Among her best roles were *Trapped* (1949), *Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye* with James Cagney (1950), *Only the Valiant* (1951) with Gregory Peck, and later B-movie backburners *Bride of the Gorilla* (1951) and her final

film *Murder Is My Beat* (1955). Warner Brothers eventually dropped her under her contract’s “morals” clause, and she slid into obscurity with *Bad Blonde* (Hammer Films, 1953) and Terence Fisher’s sci-fi bomb *Four-Sided Triangle* (1953). She earned headlines in the mid-’50s after giving two of her fur coats (valued at over \$12,000) to the owner of an L.A. bar in lieu of her \$200 bar tab, losing her Beverly Hills mansion over unpaid bills and getting arrested for passing bad checks at Hollywood’s Liquor Locker. In February



If even happy things leave you blue,



## Consider participating if you qualify for our research study on **DEPRESSION.**

Have you or someone you care about been experiencing some or all of the following symptoms for at least a few months?

- Hopelessness
- Sadness
- Loss of interest in daily activities
- Loss of energy
- Difficulty concentrating

If so, people between the ages of 18 to 64 may qualify for a research study of an investigational drug for **Depression.**

All office visits and medical evaluation related to this study will be provided to qualified participants at no charge.



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## Look Familiar?

It was 2:15 the last time you looked. That seems like ages ago. Time is at a standstill and all you can do is lie in bed, staring into the darkness. By tomorrow you’ll be so tired that you’ll fall asleep at your desk, but chances are you won’t sleep tomorrow night either.

We are currently conducting a research study of an investigational medicine for insomnia associated with Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD). Participants will receive study-related exams and study medication at no charge. Qualified participants may be compensated. Participants must be between the ages of 18 and 64 and the study requires 8 office visits.



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## Have you been diagnosed with **FIBROMYALGIA?**

### Do you continue to suffer with pain?

The office of Brian First, M.D., is looking for volunteers to participate in a research study using an investigational medication for the treatment of Fibromyalgia.

- **If you have been diagnosed with Fibromyalgia and**
- **You are 18 to 70 years of age you may qualify for this study.**

Compensation for travel is provided to qualified participants.

Please call Shelly at 858-292-0108 ext. 207 for more information.

## BIPOLAR?



### We’re looking for men and women diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder.

Volunteers at least 18 years of age are needed to participate in a clinical research study testing an investigational use of a marketed drug for the treatment of Bipolar Disorder, also known as Manic Depression.

**Patients suffering from Bipolar Disorder must be currently experiencing a major depressive episode.**

All necessary office visits, medical evaluations, and study medications will be provided at no cost to qualified patients.



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## PIMPLES TAKEN CONTROL OF YOUR FACE?

Affiliated Research Institute is conducting a research study for kids and adults to test the safety and effectiveness of an investigational medication for moderate to severe acne.

### Qualifications include:

- Kids ages 12 and older AND adults
- Must have at least 20 pimples on your face

### Qualified participants:

- Could get an investigational combination of two currently marketed acne products in one tube, or a single currently marketed product
- Will receive a supply of study medication
- Will not receive placebos
- Will receive up to \$125

*There is no cost to you.*



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## BIPOLAR DISORDER DEPRESSION SCHIZOPHRENIA



Researchers at Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital are currently enrolling subjects into inpatient and outpatient studies. Eligible participants will receive all study-related care at no cost, and will be reimbursed for time and travel.

For more information, please call the **Clinical Research Center at (858) 694-8350.**

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Hospital

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1962, she was arrested for prostitution after propositioning an undercover cop — for \$10 — in a Sunset Boulevard bar. She was arrested several more times for public drunkenness, culminating with a 1965 heroin bust. In February 1967, trash workers found her passed out in a Dumpster bin, and she was admitted as an indigent at L.A. County General Hospital, diagnosed with “chronic alcoholic psychosis.”

A county social worker delivered her to her parents’ home on Titus Street in Mission Hills. On April 25, 1967, Payton drove a car into a parked vehicle at Fort Stockton Drive and Stephens Road but escaped being charged in the incident. Thirteen days later, her mother found her slumped over a toilet in their home. Payton died of heart and liver failure before an ambulance could arrive. Her ashes

are interred at Cypress View Mausoleum and Crematory on Imperial Avenue (Chapel of Promise, downstairs, niche 28, middle section near top right side).

**JAMES W. ROBINSON** (unknown–1852), aka “Yankee” Jim Robinson, was a French-Canadian western outlaw and alleged horse thief who was tried and publicly hanged after being caught in the San Diego Bay trying to steal a schooner, the *Plutus*, worth \$6500, along with two accomplices (who only got a year in prison). Robinson was hit in the head with a sword by a law officer and subsequently sentenced to hang from a crude crossbar gallows constructed by the Army during the Indian uprising of January 1852. Robinson, at 6’ 4”, was too tall for the gallows and ended up slowly suffocating with his toes touching the ground. One man who witnessed his execution, Thomas Whaley, bought the land Robinson was hanged on and built a home. The hanging took

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## Bipolar— Manic-Depressive

Bipolar disorder affects 480 million adults. We are currently conducting a research study of an investigational medication that may treat manic episodes associated with bipolar disorder. Manic symptoms include decreased sleep, irritability, racing thoughts, rapid speech and hostility. If you or someone you know has these symptoms, you may qualify to participate.

**Qualified volunteers will receive compensation for their time and participation.**

La Mesa: **888-456-5099**  
Oceanside: **888-456-5102**



## Mild Memory Loss?

**You may have mild cognitive impairment.**

If you or someone you know are aged 45 to 90 and have mild memory loss, a local medical facility is taking part in a national clinical research study to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of an oral investigational medication for mild cognitive impairment. Qualified participants will receive complete study-related physical exams, lab work, electrocardiograms and cognitive evaluations at no charge while taking part in this study. If you or someone you know is otherwise healthy but having evidence of memory loss, call Optimum Health Services today to find out about this study for mild cognitive impairment.

La Mesa: **866-735-0412**  
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## Schizophrenia Research Study

If you suffer from Schizophrenia, you might qualify to take part in a research study. We are currently looking for men and women 18 years and older to participate in a clinical research study of an investigational medication for the treatment of schizophrenia. Office visits, medical evaluations, and study medications related to this study will be provided at no cost. Compensation provided for time and travel.

**For more information or to see if you or someone you know qualifies, please contact:**

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## Do you suffer from insomnia related to GAD?

Optimum Health Services is currently screening volunteers for participation in a research study for individuals with insomnia related to Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD). If you are between the ages of 18 and 64 and have insomnia related to anxiety you may be interested in finding out more about this research study.

Symptoms you may experience include:

Problems with sleep • Difficulty concentrating  
Feeling tense or worried • Irritability  
Feeling restless or on edge



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place from the freestanding archway between what later became the house's music room and its living room. Visitors to the Whaley house say they've heard Robinson's heavy footsteps and sometimes report feeling a choking sensation when walking under the archway where he was hanged. He is buried at Old Town Catholic Cemetery (aka El Campo Santo Cemetery) on San Diego Avenue.

## SIEGFRIED "SIG" RUMAN

(1884–1967), real name Siegfried Albon Rumann, was a German-born character actor who was equally adept at playing Russians, gypsies, Slavs, Frenchmen, and all sorts of ethnic types. He was a stage actor in Germany who, after a stint in the Army in World War I, immigrated to the U.S. with help from American servicemen he'd made friends with in a prison camp. After several Broadway roles, he

made his Hollywood debut in *The Royal Box* (1929). He went on to appear in over 100 movies, including the Marx Brothers' films *A Night at the Opera* (1935, as the blustery company director Mr. Gottlieb) and *A Day at the Races* (1937, as Dr. Leopold X. Steinberg). Other notable appearances include *Heidi* (1937), *Ninotchka* (1939), *Tarzan Triumphs* (1943), *The Emperor Waltz* (1948), *Houdini* (1953), and *White Christmas* (1954). He also guest-starred on TV shows like *The Addams Family*, *Daniel Boone*, and *Petticoat Junction*. Ruman retired in Julian and lived there until dying of a heart attack. He's buried at Julian Cemetery on Farmer's Road (first section on the right, end of first row).

## PETE ALVIN ROZELLE

(1926–1996) spent 29 years as commissioner of the NFL (National Football League) and played a major role in the launch of TV's *Monday Night Football*. Between 1960



Pete Rozelle

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**CHARLOTTE HENRY** (1914–1980) played the lead in the 1933 version of *Alice in Wonderland*, winning the



Charlotte Henry

role over 6,800 hopefuls who auditioned. A child model, she landed her first role in the 1928 Broadway play *Courage*, also appearing in the 1930 Hollywood film version. Enrolling at Lawlors, a school for professional children, she befriended classmates like Betty Grable, Frankie Darrow and Anita Louise. She went on to appear in *Huckleberry Finn* (1931) and *Lena Rivers* (1932), as well as playing Little Bo Peep in Laurel & Hardy’s *Babes in Toyland* (1934). After retiring from motion pictures in 1942, she moved to San Diego to run an employment agency with her mother and worked for fifteen years as an executive secretary for Charles F. Buddy, the Roman Catholic Bishop of San Diego. She married area doctor James J. Dempsey and played occasional roles at the Old Globe Theatre, driving around town in a car with a license plate that saluted her *Through the Looking Glass* claim to fame: “ECILA” (“Alice” spelled backward). She died of cancer and is buried at Holy Cross Cemetery on Hilltop Drive (Calvary section, plot 108). ■

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AWAY — I  
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NOWHERE  
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**S**ix Feet Under was my favorite show on television. Every week I would sit there for an hour, wanting to know what would happen next or what just happened. I don't know how I got so connected to the show; maybe because it was so well thought-out... maybe it was because my favorite celebrity, Lauren Ambrose, was involved in the project.

Lauren Ambrose seems to be a "real person," far from the celebrity stereotype. I remember seeing a picture of her in a grocery store I like to go to and thinking, "Wow, that's awesome!" Along with the picture was an interview that had to be one of the most interesting things I have ever read. It included background on her character in *Six Feet Under*; about how Claire was the youngest and overshadowed by her two siblings. Being the youngest of four, I connected with her character on the show a lot more after reading that interview. The article prompted me to read others with Ambrose, and in every one of them she seemed so humble and couldn't understand why she had such a following; that made me admire her even more.

I have met a couple of celebrities in my life. One of them was Jennifer Lopez, at Louis Vuitton in Beverly Hills last year. She seemed to be everything I hated about celebrity. I took out my phone to answer a call, and a security guard came over to tell me I had to put it away — I was nowhere near her. That's when I realized I don't have a least favorite celebrity but that I hate "celebrity," in general.

Meeting Lauren Ambrose would be awesome, but I don't know if I would want to. What if she wasn't like the image in my head? That's why I am happy just admiring her.

— John Twilla,  
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**M**y favorite celebrity is Fergie from the Black Eyed Peas. She seems so cool because she joined an all-male band and has made it better. She has an amazing voice and her person-

ality shines through in whatever she does. I think I would like to meet her someday so that some of her talent and confidence might rub off on me.

I have never met a celebrity, unless baseball players count; I have met a lot of the Padres. There aren't any celebrities that I wouldn't like to meet. I would like to ask many of them what they were thinking when they did things that I find morally wrong. For example, I was a fan of Britney Spears when I was a little girl. She was sweet and nice and she seemed like a good role model. Then one day she decided she was no longer a nice girl and began to do things that were sometimes plain wrong. What kind of a message does that send to kids? One day your hero is out helping people and the next they are out partying and getting drunk and waking up beside someone whose name they can't remember.

Now that I'm older, I know not to look up to celebrities as much as I did. They are people too, and sometimes they make mistakes. But sometimes they aren't mistakes. That's why I've decided to find my own way instead of mimicking some other person who I might never meet.

— Angel Sonada,  
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**S**ean Penn is my favorite celebrity. He may not be the most good-looking or wealthy, but he is a good actor and a generous human being. Did you see the footage of him using his boat to save people in the aftermath of Katrina? Anyway, a long time ago I saw the movie *I Am Sam*, with Penn starring as a mentally challenged father. I was captivated. The movie brought tears to



Kathy Griffin

my eyes. After that, I made a point of seeing his movies whenever they were in the theater and when I had enough money.

I can't put into words how ecstatic I would be to meet Sean Penn. After shaking his hand vigorously and gaping, I think I would come up with something to say. But, seeing as he is a movie star and I'm not, I would probably just gush, "You are the greatest!" much to my embarrassment.

Never have I met a "real" celebrity. I did have the honor, though, of meeting Daniel Valdez, who starred in plays such as *Zoot Suit* and *El Mariachi Quixote*. Valdez had a brief part in a Cheech and Chong movie, but I never recognized him in it. Other than that chance encounter, I have yet to meet a celebrity that anyone my age talks about.

At this moment (and for the sake of this article), my least favorite celebrity is Jude Law. Not that he is the only one who has cheated on his significant other. He may be one of the best-looking actors, but good looks do not justify cheating on your fiancée or wife. If he had morals, he would not have slept with the nanny. It disturbs

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And when my friend who  
had a more difficult open  
weight loss surgery saw  
me dancing around a  
week later, she couldn't

me how actors who think  
they are "big time" believe  
that they can get away  
with adultery. I don't  
think Jude Law felt any  
guilt. So, excuse me for  
not feeling sorry for him if  
his fiancée decides to drop  
him like a hot brick.

— *Lee Ann Gonzales,  
Monte Vista H.S.*

**A**merica obsesses over  
the glamorous and  
eventful lives of  
celebrities to make our own  
lives seem less depressing  
and dull. Even I, the sarcas-  
tic cynic, cannot escape the  
seductive appeal of a mus-  
cular action hero or beauti-  
ful damsel in distress.

The actor I respect  
the most is Tom Cruise,  
but for different reasons  
than the rest of America.  
Tom Cruise is five-foot-  
nothing, weighs about 150  
pounds, and once pranced  
around a living room in  
nothing but his tighty-  
whities (*Risky Business*),  
yet he still has the courage  
to star in some of the  
biggest action movies ever  
made. This man has no

shame. He called one of  
the most beautiful women  
on earth his wife (Nicole  
Kidman) and then  
dumped her. But not  
before starring in a sexual  
movie with her (*Eyes Wide  
Shut*) in which they were  
husband and wife in a  
troubled marriage.

After dumping his  
wife, Cruise had the  
audacity to start dating a  
self-proclaimed virgin  
nearly half his age. And  
the way he let the world  
know about his new lady  
was by dancing on Oprah  
Winfrey's couch —  
numerous times. Yes, he is  
a member of a ridiculous  
religion created only 50  
years ago (Scientology)  
and, yes, he really believes  
in that crap. With Scien-  
tology on his side, Cruise  
attacked Brooke Shields's  
use of anti-depressants  
and argued with NBC  
newsman Matt Lauer. He's  
getting crazier by the  
minute, which makes him  
all the more cool and  
exciting.

Would I want to meet  
Tom Cruise? Heck, no.

Some of that craziness  
might rub off on me.

On to more negative  
images. If I have to witness  
pregnant Britney Spears  
one more time in any-  
thing that resembles a  
bikini, I am going to poke  
out my eyes. I am not  
alone with this opinion.  
Spears has gone from  
being the fantasy of my  
boyhood dreams to the  
epitome of white-trash-  
dom. It's such a sad, sad  
loss.

My only encounter  
with celebrities was as an  
audience member of the  
*Tonight Show with Jay  
Leno*. I was 16. I shook  
Jay's hand, said to him,  
"your chin really isn't that  
big," and watched him  
interrogate Matt LeBlanc.  
After that, I'd had my fill  
of celebrities. I don't ever  
want to meet one again.

— *Patrick Cole,  
Eastlake H.S.*

**W**hen I think about  
celebrities, tele-  
vision and film  
personalities come to mind.  
I imagine awards shows and

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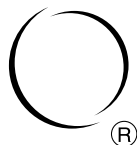
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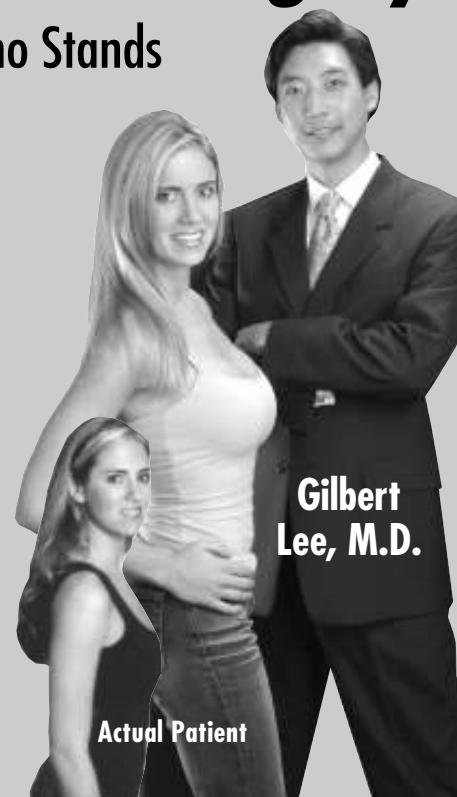
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stunning clothing displayed on the pencil-like figures of leading ladies. As I have learned from watching and reading stories on celebrities, however, the life of a star can be less than magnificent. And the personalities I find amiable on television are less than likable when the cameras stop rolling.

My favorite celebrity does not claim fame for being the best-mannered, finest-dressed, or most popular woman in the public eye; on the contrary, she has earned her living making fun of controversial incidents and behavioral flaws of those she refers to as "A-list celebrities": Demi Moore, Britney Spears, Brad Pitt, Michael Jackson, etc. The woman I'm referring to is Kathy Griffin, a self-proclaimed "D-list celebrity" with a rebellious personality and a defiant tongue.

Kathy Griffin's similarity to the anti-hero of literature or film is what fascinates me about her. She is able to point out the absurdities in celebrity behavior and society while she highlights her own flaws, providing audiences with the message that nobody is perfect. Because of her accessible personality, I would like to one day meet this fiery comedian and shake her hand for a job well done.

Although there are some celebrities — primarily up-and-coming musicians — that I would love to meet, I can name a few that I have no desire of coming into contact with. One such personality is Paris Hilton. She belongs to a class of teens and young adults who have obtained fame through the reputes of their parents. Although Paris Hilton has established a name for herself, I find myself uninspired by her career and by the way she is portrayed through the media. I cannot imagine myself connecting with her on a personal level.

Whether celebrities are or aren't the models of perfection I once pictured them to be, one thing is certain: I couldn't tolerate so much public attention so I have respect for them.

— Dara Arikian,  
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# Let Us Deprive Death of Its Strangeness

Looking at the mortal remains of an 86-year-old Portuguese man in his coffin at the Beardsley-Mitchell Funeral Home in Ocean Beach on a fine spring afternoon I scrutinize his powdered and bald head, his thin lips pressed in manly resignation above his determined jaw, his eyelids at rest, his brow furrowed with decades of puzzlement, and I find not even the smallest hint that he may be on any kind of adventure. Still, I'm certainly willing to entertain the idea — aren't we all?

Mr. B. was a retired instrument packer according to his obituary. He was born in New Jersey, lived in Point Loma for over 50 years, and was in the Navy for a year during the Second World War — which accounts for the folded American flag next to his head. In the front row of the funeral-home chapel are three mourners keeping vigil during the visitation. I take them to be the wife, son, and grandson of Mr. B., though I don't know for sure. The son has no desire to talk to me when I tell him that I am writing about how we grieve and observe death in San Diego. I don't blame him. He doesn't know me.

The man is leaning forward, speaking past, I assume, his mother and talking to his son about the San Diego Padres' spring training. Every few minutes he produces a handkerchief from his pocket, blows his nose quietly and unobtrusively, and wipes tears that are not there from the corners of his eyes. At intervals he turns and says something to his mother in Portuguese, gesturing to the few wreaths surrounding the coffin. One reads "Husband, Father, Grandfather." A nice batch of lilies is situated at the foot of the coffin. All in all, I figure, a good \$1000 worth of flowers. The three family members (I did establish they were family) are the only living souls (except me) in the chapel.

When I walked in I was greeted by Marion La Fave, a handsome and sober-looking woman who assured me that these were indeed the visitation hours for Mr. B. even though I seemed to be in the wrong place: three people, flowers, and, on closer examination, a body. Not even any music. La Fave handed me a memorial holy card: a picture of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph being looked down upon by a white-bearded deity surrounded by angels and channeling beams of light onto the trio via a white dove representing the Holy Spirit, otherwise known as the Holy Ghost.

On the back of this tableau is Mr. B.'s full name, his birth date (1913), the date of his death, and these unattributed words of comfort titled "To Those I Love":

"When I am gone, release me, let me go. I have so many things to see and do. You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears, be happy that we had so many years. I gave you my love. You can only guess how much you gave me in happiness. But now it's time I traveled on alone. So grieve a while for me if grieve you must then let your grief be comforted by trust. It's only for a while that we must part so bless the memories within your heart. I won't be far away, for life goes on so if you need me, call and I will come. Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near and if you listen with your heart, you'll hear all of my love around you soft and clear. And then, when you must come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile and say, 'Welcome Home.'"

This warm Hallmark touch seems to be the only sentiment in the room except for the ritual brandishing of the hankie. It strikes me as a frighteningly inadequate punctuation to the conclusion of a life spanning fourscore and six years, no matter how unremarkable. And the question is raised, as it always has been and will be: what, then, would be adequate?

Since I am now nearly the exact age of my father at the time of his fatal heart attack, I am even more aware of my mortality than usual. A lifetime of hypochondria has been honed to a fine tool I use to prod myself to work, to be kinder and gentler in dealing with the constant parade of fools and incompetents that surround me, to entertain seriously the idea of going to confession for the first time since 1968, and to really get around — no kidding this time — to reading Proust. I check my armpits and groin for swollen lymph nodes; each snuffle signals the collapse of my immune system. When I am greeted by friends, they no longer ask me, "How are you?" for fear of disturbing responses like "I have a vague feeling of existential dread" or "I could go at any time."

I was, according to my mother, "a morbid little kid." I rehearsed my

**"This is where he wanted to be buried,**

death at the dinner table, pretending to choke or succumb to poison. I was the best "dier" among my playmates; no one could clutch his chest, stagger, widen his eyeballs, fall, twitch, and do a death rattle like I could. I once broke my nose by pretending to be struck by an arrow while standing on the garage roof and falling, face first, onto a picket fence,



completely missing the pile of cardboard boxes I had arranged to break my fall. My father seemed to appreciate my artistry in this matter even as my mother urged him to “do something about your son.”

Mom once lost it with me for making six-year-old Barbara DePaulo next door cry when I, at age seven, announced to her, “You’re going to die someday, you know?” When the little girl insisted several times, “I am not!” I hammered back at her repeatedly, “Are too!” And then asked her if she wanted to go into the garage with me; I had something to show her. After closing the garage door and blocking the sunlight from the window by draping it with a deflated plastic swimming pool, I grabbed a flashlight from the workbench and held it beneath my chin, lighting my face from below. “This is what I’m going to look like when I’m dead,” I told her and she erupted in a sirenlike whine of “Ma-a-a, ma-a-a...” I was disgusted with this lack of curiosity and sportsmanship on her part so I lifted the garage door to let her out. My mother was standing there, her mouth open in

on display in Fastino’s Funeral Home off Montrose Street in Chicago, powdered and painted like a passed-out transvestite. During the wake, amid howling, rending of garments, and much blubbing, I was fascinated with Aunt Louise in death in a way she never interested me in life. I kept staring at her, trying to put my finger on exactly the quality that was now missing from her. It was not simply animation, a look in the eyes, the color of her skin, though those things had certainly changed; something was absent here: silent, fled. The soul? Well, you might say, “It is life that is gone.” Or “consciousness.” Yes, yes, but what are they, what does that mean? Weighty questions for another time. My abiding fascination with *la mort*, the morbid and the moribund, has to do with that antimatterlike *not is*, that negative proposition so impossible to prove and at the same time so evident and undeniable, the *un* thing that both defines so well what *is* and poses the questions about its nature. The shadow, the space, the unheard echo just after that last audible strain, certain parts of North Park, all of these have held for me at

My next funeral is in La Jolla. The deceased was born on my birthday, only in 1899. Mrs. E. was 99 years old and described in her obituary as “a homemaker.” The Congregational Church of La Jolla hosts the event, and there is no viewing of the departed. Relatives have flown in from the Midwest and the East Coast. Everyone is very well dressed in a suitably subdued and tasteful way. Trying to get a sense of the woman, I glean that she was a longtime member of the church, that she had a short-lived marriage in the 1930s but enjoyed a longtime female companion known as “Smitty,” and that Mrs. E. “could certainly stretch a dollar.”

“What can we say when someone has died after such a fine and such a long life?” the minister asks. “We can say thank God, not only for life, but also for the blessing of death. Thank God that rest has come for one that not only loved her life but after 99 years of it was weary.”

Mrs. E’s son, or possibly son-in-law, takes the pulpit after scriptural readings and recalls the woman’s love



The Vale of Rest by Sir John E. Millais

horror.

“Are you playing doctor again, you little son of a bitch?”

I was insulted at this suggestion.

“No. I was playing dead body.”

Mom now also burst into tears. “What is wrong with you?”

one time or another a fascination that some would consider unhealthy.

*“To begin depriving death of its greatest advantage over us, let us adopt a way clean contrary to that common one; let us deprive death of its strangeness, let us frequent it, let us get used to it; let us have nothing more often in mind than*

of crossword puzzles and the game of Scrabble. “I still remember her battered Scrabble box held together with nylon stockings. She could never bring herself to throw things like stockings away.” A dusting of courteous laughter is scattered lightly throughout the dozen or so friends and relatives in attendance. She would, he said, always

**but we had to cremate him because there’s no more room here. You have to be cremated now.”**

A good question and one, like many, I have never answered adequately.

This all may have happened after the death of my Aunt Louise. One minute she was making vast trays of ravioli in her basement and the next, it seemed, she was

*death.... We do not know where death awaits us: so let us wait for it everywhere. To practice death is to practice freedom. A man who has learned how to die has unlearned how to be a slave.” — Montaigne*

try to watch the sunset, “always looking for the green flash.” He then recalls his last dinner with her at the Top O’ the Cove restaurant where Mrs. E. was served her soup upon which were floating strands of chives. Mrs. E. did not care for chives, and he lovingly remembers her

removing one strand after another, placing them on the plate next to her but not before licking the broth off of each, "so as not to waste the soup."

On leaving the service I feel a little fraudulent. I did not know Mrs. E. any more than I knew Mr. B., and I do not want to crash the proceedings, to violate or disrespect the memory of those who have "passed on." I merely want to see if I can get a sense of the absent person via the last gathering in his or her name. In the case of Mrs. E., I think I did somewhat, and I silently hope she finally saw her green flash.

"...no one gets up after death — there is no applause — there is only silence and some secondhand clothes, and that's death."

— *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead*

In 1968 I saw my father in his coffin, his hands folded, clutching a rosary. On his right-hand finger was his plain, silver-plated ring fashioned from a Japanese Zero



Funeral at Ornans by Gustave Courbet

downed in the Philippines during WWII. I remember thinking it absurd that the morticians had left his eyeglasses on. For what? Certainly he wasn't born with them, though I must say they seemed every bit as much a part of him as his — now forever lidded — blue-green eyes, the double wave of light brown hair above his forehead, and, come to think of it, his necktie. All that was missing was his pipe. He had, I knew, just bought a brand-new one to take with him on his last fishing trip to Wisconsin. He had also bought a paperback, *The*

*President's Plane Is Missing*, that he had started to read and never finished. I often thought about picking up that book, reading it to retrace one of his final experiences, to maybe identify that point in the story where he had set it down before his heart failed for the last time. I never did, but I will one day.

Mostly I remember his face, his death mask: lined and care-creased, the makeup not quite smoothing over the grimace that must have formed as his heart constricted. I thought, "Wow, death really takes it out of you," and then later amended

that to life that takes it out of you.

At my father's wake was Brother Ed, my art teacher from Carmel High School, a burly, crew-cut athletic coach who liked to fire up football players and budding sculptors. He encouraged me to attend the Art Institute in Chicago, where I had just begun the fall semester. I was surprised to see him four months after high school graduation and wondered why he was there. I knew why my uncle Nicky was there, of course. He was weeping and inconsolable, outraged that his younger

brother should be taken before him. He was drunk and his wife, Marie, was trying to keep him from throwing himself in the casket and pulling my father out. Recently I commiserated with one of my brothers about that wake and the family in general. We decided that if a movie were to be made of it, the part of Aunt Marie would be played by Joe Pesci. She kept whacking my uncle with her purse and pulling him away from my dad, on whose lapels Nicky had a meaty grip. "Stop this, *cazatta!*" She had screamed at him. "What's the matter with you? Jesus and Mary! Act nice, you goddamned *stronzo!*"

After Uncle Nicky had calmed down in the parking lot with a bottle of V.O. he had in the limousine, he turned his attention to me. I know he couldn't have actually said this, but I remember it was something to the same effect: "If your father could see your sideburns, it would kill him." He then went on about how I should join the Army like my father

and fight the Japs.

It was a little more than a year later that I received my draft notice and had to report to the induction center in Oakland, California. That was 1969. I knew two guys who had gone to Vietnam; one of them was the brother of the guitar player in my high school band. He would come down to the basement when we rehearsed and urge us to play Kinks songs because he said we sounded like them. For this I really liked him. By 1969 he had his own memorial plaque at the base of the flagpole at our high school. The other guy I knew was a shy, friendly nerd who came back with pictures of himself holding up the ears of Viet Cong dead. I had a very bad feeling about going to war. I didn't think I would do well there, and no one could adequately explain to me why I should go.

I think about these things as I walk among the tombstones through Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery and look for the graveside service of a Vietnam

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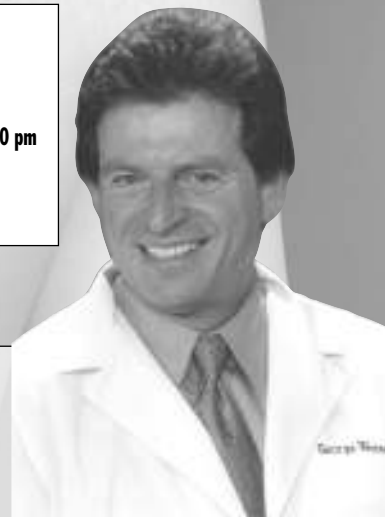
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veteran I never met and whom I'll call Joseph Lindgren. He was exactly my age when he died a few days ago. I feel maybe I should be there by his graveside, like Private Ryan in the movie. Maybe this guy had taken my place in some way. I try to be receptive to any unresolved emotion I might be packing about telling the Army shrink that day 30 years ago that I was gay and addicted to every drug known to man including Midol. I find Lindgren's place, the niche in the wall where his ashes have been set, and try to get in touch with my feelings, reach inside to my inner 18-year-old draft-dodging self to maybe formulate an apology. I feel cold

as the wind whips my tie around, and I lift the collar of my suit jacket. I say a brief prayer for infantryman Lindgren and decide I feel pretty much the same about writhing out of the Vietnam conflict as I did three decades ago. Any sense of guilt escapes me, and I'm a little disappointed in myself. Luckily, I'm used to that.

On this same day, a funeral is being held for a young border patrolman who died with several illegal aliens in an overturned truck in the canyons near the border. The Mass is being held at USD and is being attended by border cops, media crews, and Janet Reno, who undoubtedly sees this as an

opportunity to point to Operation Gatekeeper. I have opted for a less celebrated death. Besides, parking at USD will be murder.

Joseph Lindgren's final resting place is approached by three people, two men—one young, one old, Mexican looking—and one black woman maybe in her late 50s. I am a little surprised by this in light of the Scandinavian name of the deceased. The older man, say 50 years old, speaks to me but does not introduce himself. He is solidly built, wearing a black turtleneck and charcoal jacket. A silver chain is around his neck on which hang dog tags and a ring. It looks like a class ring.

"Joe would do anything for anybody," the man says, looking out to sea at storm clouds gathering on the western horizon. High, restive clouds shred themselves like vast sheets of cotton and race overhead at almost time-lapse—photography speed. The wind is carrying his words over his shoulder, across Point Loma, over the white caps in the bay, toward the aircraft carriers and radar planes at North Island. "If you came to him with a problem and he could do something for you, he would. He was a good soldier, he always wanted to take point."

I picture Lindgren carrying a rifle at the head of a patrol, squinting into the

jungle canopy for snipers, scrutinizing the undergrowth for mines, tunnels, the enemy, death. "How," I ask, "did he... Was he ill?"

"Agent Orange," the man nods. "He was sick for a long time. In and out of veterans' hospitals. This is where he wanted to be buried, but we had to cremate him because there's no more room here. You have to be cremated now. Yeah, he was sick for a long time."

I ask about his nationality. His mother was Mexican, his father Swedish. I don't ask who the woman is or the young man, and no information is volunteered. They get into a van and drive off. After a while, awed by

the sheer numbers of white stones stretching away in every direction for hundreds of yards, I drive off also. I pass a few gravesite visitors, patriotic tourists with VFW and American Legion caps, berets and baseball hats, cameras, flowers, children in Sunday clothes climbing the grave markers as if the bone-white headstones were playground features beneath the ash and linen sky.

*"People often make the mistake of being frivolous about death and think, 'Oh well, death happens to everybody. It's not a big deal, it's natural. I'll be fine.' That's a nice theory until one is dying."*

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I have now made a habit of reading the obituaries in the *Union-Tribune*. In a piece off the AP wire I see that writer/director Garson Kanin has died at 86. I met him once with his wife Ruth Gordon at a book signing in New York. Nice man, and his wife was very funny. She's dead now too. Among the local death and funeral notices, I see that family members and friends can publish a slightly more detailed remembrance of their dead than the regular obits will afford. "...she retired as Head Nurse from University Hospital after 30 years. She was a 45 year member of Palomar Chapter of Order of Eastern Star and a 26 year member of Kearny Mesa Chapter of the Women of the Moose..." Or another woman: "We will all remember her blueberry muffins." Sometimes these will include the method of death, a motorcycle accident at 41 or renal failure, pneumonia complications. Here's a 24-year-old personal fitness



Burial of the Count of Orgaz by El Greco

trainer. Here is a 42-year-old liquor store clerk in Normal Heights with nine great-grandchildren.

Then there are the feature obituaries, actual short articles:

"Theodore Plueger, Julian community activist: Each Christmas season, in a tradition as familiar to Julian townfolk as hot apple cider and cold mountain air, Theodore W. Plueger would raise his voice in song.

"His trademark 'Oh,

Tannenbaum,' sung in German at the annual tree-lighting ceremony on Main Street, often set the tone for a white Christmas in the rustic East County community.

" 'He sang it with such gusto,' recalled Rosie Vanderstaay, a longtime Julian resident. 'Each time I hear that song I think of him.'..."

An ex-*Tribune* supervisor who spent 35 years in the composing room at that paper died after a long battle with cancer. His wife had

only this to say in the article: "We went everywhere but a few Midwestern states. In the winter we would head south, and in the summer north." That was it. That's all she could come up with? The man was only 66, but still, after a few years of cancer, hardly snatched from the jaws of life. One would think she might have had time to compose at least a more illuminating epitaph for publication, if not a more poignant one.

And take 54-year-old Dr. B. "...Humanitarian. Dentist. Gay.

"In those words and in that order — that is the way friends remembered the man who worked decades to further the social, political and economic causes of gays and lesbians."

Fred Baker, 77, vice president of Thearle Music Co., "...helped organize and produce one of the company's major annual events: a piano festival that featured as many as 200 amateurs playing simultaneously in Balboa Park."

It is remarkable sometimes for what we are remembered, what, in the end, there is to be said. When I go, will my obituary read, "He was a size 48 regular. He used a lot of adjectives. In 1989, while researching an article about San Diego motorcycle clubs, he was initiated into the Ugly Motherfuckers of America"?

In the daily newspaper pages that observe our dead I find little note of any true meaning that that person's existence may have imparted

to those around him. The closest I have found is the comment "We will all remember her blueberry muffins," because the single sentence is pregnant with love and loss. "He was a 55-year member of the Optimists Club" is chilling by comparison.

Where, in these listings, are remembrances like, "A grade-school teacher for 27 years, Ms. X probably taught 1000 human beings to read and thereby saved them from God knows what kind of hopelessness"? Or, "Bob Finkle was a quiet and patient man and you could learn a thing or two about patience just by standing in line with him at the bank on Fridays"?

"We have not been...picked out...simply to be abandoned...set loose to find our own way... We are entitled to some direction...I would have thought."

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The funeral service for 93-year-old Mr. Rodriguez at Holy Spirit Catholic

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Church on 55th Street in East San Diego is attended by a large number of people. Handsome, elderly men with chiseled noses greet neighbors, relatives, and church-members like barrio states-

men. The women in the family look like various versions of Joan Baez, with either long black hair or short gray cuts, most with fine, broad cheekbones and remarkable black eyes that project warmth

and strength. A very attractive and large family closing ranks around death as though they'd done it many times before.

The cremated remains of Mr. Rodriguez are in a sil-

ver box etched with a laurel design and his full family name, the date of his birth in 1905, and that of his death in March 1999. The box, about a foot square, rests on a pedestal in front of the

communion rail. In it are reflected the faces of the hundred or so who approach, presumably in a state of grace, to accept the body of Christ.

The hymn selections are led by a congregation

member, a slight-shouldered, waspish man with a mediocre voice. No one seems familiar with the tunes and though, at first, there is a half-hearted attempt to follow along, soon it is a showcase performance

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from the pulpit that celebrates the triumph of the singer's confidence in his own voice over the plebeian concerns of vocal skill. Several such hymns follow and the attendants at Mass are left standing, clearing their throats, peering at the hymnals with reading glasses, and leafing through pages to keep up.

The children are well behaved as most Hispanic children are in what they perceive to be inscrutable, grown-up activities. Once outside, they play tag or hide-and-seek around the common area between the church and their school, reveling in their excused absence that day. The women stay together, speaking in both Spanish and English about coffee and *pan dulce* at one of their homes after the interment at Holy Cross Cemetery. The older men shake hands with each other, nod, and speak in short, formal phrases. The younger women eye the younger men critically from across the parking lot, commenting disparagingly on the T-shirts and baggy pants,

the lack of ties, the profusion of cigarettes. Those young men are in an animated discussion about auto parts for a 1974 Ford Maverick.

Death here is not an intrusion on anything; it is accommodated almost seamlessly into the rhythm of the workweek, the ordinary concerns of shopping and food preparation, transportation, the employment situation, soccer, and taxes. I am, for the most part, ignored. Not out of any deliberate coolness, but in response to my complete irrelevance. I am neither family nor from the neighborhood. If my presence is not an affront, it may have more to do with my tentative genuflections, my sign of the cross, and my awkward turning to those around me during Mass for a brief shaking of hands, a nod, a smile, a communion in something, if only mortality and some half-defined hope of transcendence.

*"Ordinary and inevitable death, death as an actual part of life, has become so rare that*



The Death of the Virgin by Caravaggio

*when it occurs among us it reverberates like a handclap in an empty auditorium."*

— Michael Lesy,  
*The Forbidden Zone*

The bells are tolling electronically from the tower of the La Jolla Presbyterian Church chapel on Draper Avenue in La Jolla.

Following the decay of the last bell striking eleven o'clock, solo singer Barbara Tobler, a strikingly pretty redheaded, fair-skinned, and solid-looking woman, weaves her voice over the great pipe organ to Bach's *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*. Her voice is rich, trained, moving. Those in attendance this Friday morning are well dressed, some of them casually, but, I venture, expensively so. Seated in the front rows, the immediate family of Edith "Tippy" Saxon-Wedgeworth (not, of course, her real name, but something like it) seem tired but calm, accepting, possibly relieved, and I notice they all like each other and appear grateful for each other's company.

It strikes me as unlikely that I will, in the normal course of things, ever know someone with a name like Tippy Saxon-Wedgeworth. With the exception of a three-year stint as bar manager of a South Bay yacht club where I met people with last names like Knox and nicknames like Luvvy, these people might

as well exist on Mars for all of my experience. It will, I am fairly sure, be a challenge to get a sense of the humanity of this 86-year-old La Jollan, someone who moved in circles beyond my ken. I am wrong.

After Tobler's Bach rendition, the electronic tower bells strike a stately "Amazing Grace" that can be heard for blocks: from the Cove, I imagine, to the pump house; from, say, Pearl Street, if faintly, to 100 yards or so out to sea. The old spiritual wafts through the late morning air, reverberates in the church, then gives way to silence.

The Reverend John Watson reads: "From David, King of Israel: God's our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble and therefore we will not fear... says the Lord, 'She who believes in me, though she were dead, yet she shall live. And whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Our meeting this morning is in loving memory of Edith 'Tippy' Saxon-Wedgeworth, born

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## Breast augmentation at a glance

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**Anesthesia:** Local with sedation or general.

**In/Outpatient:** Usually outpatient

**Recovery:** Back to work in a few days to 1 week. Physical contact with breasts: 3 to 4 weeks. Fading of scars: several months to a year or more.

**Effects Last:** Variable. Gravity, pregnancy, aging, and weight changes may cause change in shape. Implants may require removal or replacement.



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## Face-lifts

A face-lift can "reset the clock" on the aging process, enhance your appearance and self-esteem, and restore a more youthful and refreshed look by redistributing saggy cheek fat, smoothing out deep wrinkles, tightening underlying muscles of the face and neck, and removing excess skin.

## Nose surgery

Surgery to reshape the nose is one of the most common of all plastic surgery procedures. Rhinoplasty can reduce or increase the size of your nose, change relative shape or angle, or it may correct a birth defect or injury, or help relieve some breathing problems. Rhinoplasty can enhance your appearance and self-confidence—although the best candidates are those looking for improvement, not perfection, in the way they look.

## Liposuction

Having a fit, well-proportioned body is important for your physical agility and health. The way you feel about your body can greatly affect the quality of your life. Have you tried dieting and exercising only to get discouraged? Excess fat is not always caused by poor diet and exercise. Often genetics plays a large part in areas of the body that maintain excess fat and will not respond to diet or exercise. While

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## Tummy tuck

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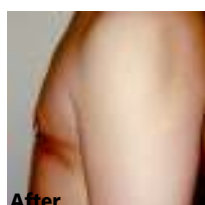
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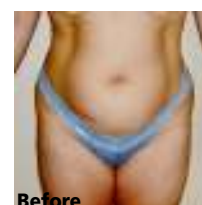
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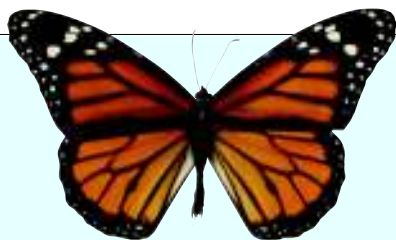
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sensation from the laser light itself. Most patients tolerate the procedure well, but some areas of the body are more sensitive than others. Topical anesthesia is always available for those who may have sensitive skin.

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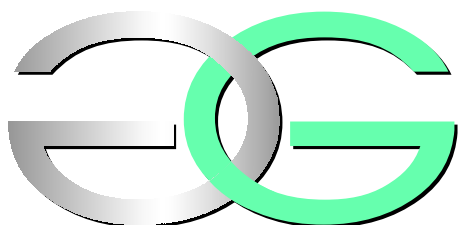
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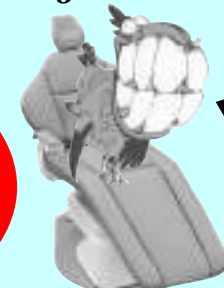
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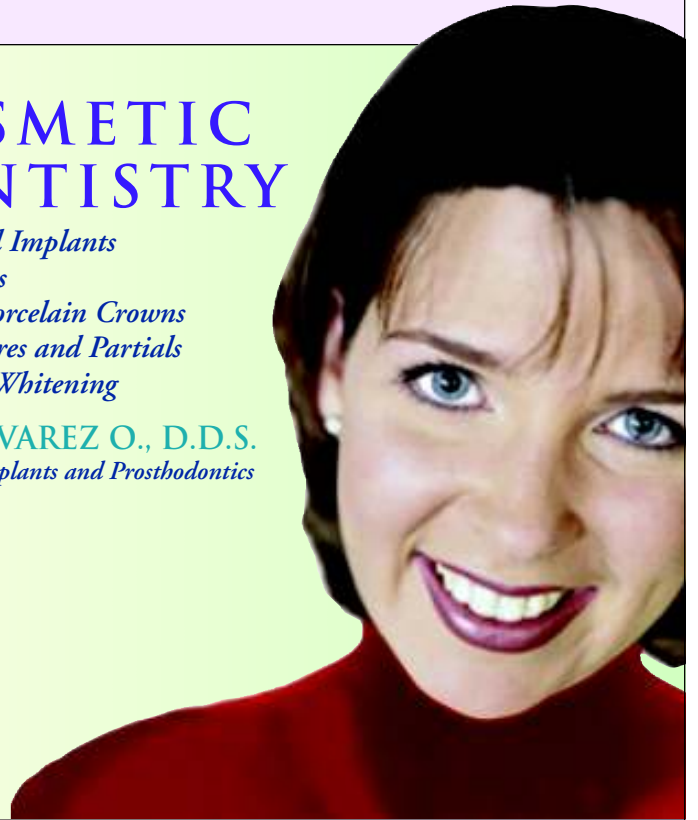
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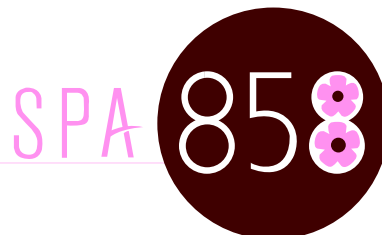
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white coil like pastry frosting, a sort of Barbara Bush thing. It is her smile that is

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If not, that's fine too." It is a smile that can't be faked well.

"Tippy Wedgeworth was a member of this church for nearly 50 years," Watson tells us. "We are here to acknowledge her value to us...to honor Tippy, to remember some aspects of her life, to honor her creator, to celebrate her new life.... Let us come to God in prayer.... Thank you for Tippy, thank you for her life, thank you for the kind of person she was and still is in your presence...."

My mind is wandering to that PBS series with Bill Moyers and Joseph Campbell. Bill Moyers asked Campbell about personality surviving after death, something to the effect of, "Will we remember who we were? Will we still have a sense of our identity?" Campbell didn't seem to think the question was that important. He sort of shrugged and guessed, "We'll probably be too busy looking at God." As Reverend Watson goes on speaking, I find myself hoping that Campbell's postmortem

scenario is more fun than it sounds.

"Lift each of these up into your own light and warmth which will comfort each one and sustain each one in the days to come." Watson speaks on. "We cannot deal with this alone, so mark this service by your presence...." My thoughts are drifting again, or maybe not—maybe this is the exact appropriate time to start thinking, not about Tippy (how can I?), but about the end in general.

I had cancer once, and the most common question I was asked about it at the time was "Are you afraid to die?" I found the answer to be either yes or no depending on the time of day or night and what I had been thinking about in the period just leading up to the question. This appears to be no answer at all, but it is actually useful information. I discovered that courage comes and goes, and so does the perception of death as either a horrible snuffing out of this colorful and romantic if painful epic of experience, or as an unimaginably liberating

event that defines everything that came before it. If you're on your knees blubbering to the baby Jesus about your sins and begging for a second chance to change your ways before the switch is pulled, just wait an hour or so if you have it. You'll probably recompose yourself, muster some dignity, cobble together some snappy last words, and present a noble picture of calm in the face of the inevitable. Just hope you go then because an hour later you're wetting your pants and babbling again.

"...we do not pray for Tippy this morning, because she is doing better than we can imagine. We pray for this service and for each of us.... Lift us up, inspire us, encourage us...." Watson then reads from Wedgeworth's own Bible, Psalm 27, which she had underlined in red: "The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid? ... One thing I ask of the Lord that I shall seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the

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days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.... Hear, oh Lord, when I cry aloud. Be gracious and answer to me, thou has said, *seek my face*. My heart says to thee, thy face, Lord, do I seek. Hide not thy face from me."

The night before this service I had been reading *Life After Life* by Raymond Moody, the reincarnation guy. Now I have always resisted the idea of reincarnation on the basis of the people I've met who *do* believe in it. Invariably these people were royalty in Atlantis in a previous life and never a minor functionary at the Bureau of Weights and Measures in New Jersey. Also, if it were true, why don't we remember any of it? As I've gotten older I've become willing to let this second objection slide since I rarely recall anything I did last Tuesday. But the question of fear comes up again, not so much in terms of painful death throes, but judgment. A woman who had a near-death experience is quoted in *Life After Life*.

"You are shown your

life — and you do the judging.... You are judging yourself. You have been forgiven all your sins, but are you able to forgive yourself for not doing the things you should have done and some little cheating things that maybe you've done in life? Can you forgive yourself? This is the judgment."

Here, I am in trouble again. Just take, for example, the time I've wasted watching *Walker, Texas Ranger!* — Not to mention certain dealings with Southland Collections and Repossessions.... No, I find little comfort in this idea.

"I did not know Tippy Wedgeworth," admits Watson, "but I did get to pray with her and read her the scriptures shortly before she passed into glory. I asked her to grip my hand when she understood and appreciated what I was trying to read. She never let go. She never stopped gripping and I took that to mean she was with the Lord in her final hours. Speaking for her now, Cheryll, Tom, and David."

Watson has introduced Wedgeworth's daughter, son-in-law, and grandson. Cheryll

Calder is a middle-aged woman, very self-possessed and well groomed. Her voice is that of a young girl.

"Mother, I hope this will do," she announces. This is met by laughter at what I assume is a private joke among those who knew the woman. "I think La Jolla has lost one of its characters. She was a rather opinionated lady and many people had differences with her, but she could always say she was sorry, which is a wonderful attribute...she loved to tell a joke on herself...she gave me a tremendous love of reading and writing. She loved young people, and I always told her she should hang her shingle out because she would love to give advice. She kept in touch with all of her grandchildren and was vitally interested in them, and she was proud of you kids and loved you all...at the end when Mother couldn't get around she had some pretty special guardian angels. Lynn, thank you...you gave my mother three...wonderful years." Here Calder's voice breaks but she rallies quickly. "Mother'd get mad at her, fire her... Lynn would

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walk out the back door and she'd come in the front door, and this would go on and on."

Her voice is trembling but she is smiling. Those seated are chuckling with her. "Thank you, Lynn, and thank you to the community of friends who reached out and loved her."

Tippy's daughter reminds everyone that her mother was the recording secretary for a ladies' investment group formed in the 1950s called "the Mints. I think, in the beginning, Mother's idea of an investment was a sale at I. Magnin." Calder then reads from a selection of the collected minutes of Mints' meetings as recorded by Tippy.

"On November 14th, les girls, looking terribly chic, gathered at the Honker for lunch. This was our attempt to capture a light mood and avoid the weighty problems of finance. Frankly, this is where we shine: in the fine art of eating and drinking and it is where our field of endeavor should lie. Let the ticker tape roll on and why

not admit we're more social than bearish!

"The chief flunky was somewhat dismayed by this avalanche of women as he had two tables for ten reserved by three different people.... I think he heaved a sigh of relief when he finally seated us all at one table — more or less isolated from his more classy customers.... [We] asked for separate checks....

"So we downed our martinis, purred over our food, and gossiped continuously — having a whale of a time...quite a few of us who would like to see this fading financial venture turn into a bridge club and/or just plain 'stitch and bitch' club....

"After ten trips to the cash register to bring back change for each person, our waiter went out in the back alley and shot himself! — Meeting adjourned, Tippy."

Wow. This is a glimpse into a life as unlike my own as that of a Tennessee sharecropper or a professional wrestler. I want to know more about this person and this life. I make a mental note to ask

her daughter if she has any more "Mints Minutes." It turns out she does, and after her husband, Sam, invites me to their home in La Jolla for a reception following the service (extraordinary, I think, since I am a complete stranger) he takes my address and he later sends me "Tippy Wedgeworth's Pulitzer Prize Winning Minutes of the Early Mints Meetings."

The green spiral-bound book contains remarkable entries everywhere with passages such as "This was a dismal meeting — full of figures all going down — and not a shred of scandal was spoken. Ah me — I shall now try and rehash Barbara's able analysis of our holdings: Let's get to the point: As of today, we are each \$76.46 in the hole!" Another: "Financial talk dwindled to diaper service talk as Grandma Nichols was expecting her grandchild. Cordy outdid herself with fancy tea sandwiches and cake to go with the Bloody Marys. Later a short session of bridge and that's the meeting." Many of these are concluded with sign-offs like, "Vaguely yours," "Well — toodle ooh, girls. The market will probably go lower but it can't get hotter!" Or "Love and xx's" or "Puddles of Passion," or "Ever thine."

These people appear to have existed in some parallel dimension of demigods where dialogue is scripted by Noël Coward and the action is blocked out by Somerset Maugham. I long to move among them, exchange quips with Tippy as I languidly tap the ash from my cigarette in its ivory holder and fondle my ascot. Tippy's world seems like fun and Tippy seems a benevolent, witty presence moving through it. Undoubtedly her life did not always resemble a black-and-white comedy of manners from the 1930s, but the tinted snapshots like those above that she provided in her writing as a legacy for her family and friends are, if a kind of fiction, a kindness nonetheless and a creative one.

Tippy's funeral ends with Barbara Tobler singing "Morning Has Broken." I think that a Cat Stevens song is an odd choice for a woman of Tippy's generation, and the thing is so well sung by Tobler, I almost fail to see the notation that it is actually an old Celtic folksong. This leads me to specula-

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tion about the origins of "Peace Train" and "Moon Shadow," though I say nothing of this as I speak with the minister at the rear of the church. He is describing his book-in-progress written for "people who believe in God but don't go to church." I want to pursue the subject, thinking it a good one, but he is obliged to mingle with the congregation.

I decline the invitation to the reception, generous as it is (I imagine mimosas and crab puffs) and eat at a pancake place on Girard instead. Over pecan waffles I read the day's obituaries.

A large number of men with long naval careers seem to be passing away now from cancer. I wonder if it has anything to do with exposure to nukes, the sun, or Navy Exchange prices for cigarettes. This confirms my early decision that a military career would have been an unhealthy choice. My opting for an employment history of musician, bartender, and writer seems, once again, sound.

At Warwick's I look at a copy of *On Death and Dying* by Elisabeth Kübler-Ross, examine *The Naked and the Dead* by Norman Mailer, John Gunther's *Death Be Not Proud*, *Death in Venice* by Thomas Mann. Everywhere I look I see books with death or dying in the title: *A Happy Death*, *A Death in the Family*, *Death of a Salesman*, *Dead Souls*, *As I Lay Dying*, *Dead Elvis*, *Who Dies?* *The Death of Ivan Ilyich*, *Death in the Afternoon*, etc. I purchase a copy of Jessica Mitford's book *The American Way of Death*. I take it home where I am surrounded with mystery novels with titles like *The Deadly Piece*, *Dead Man's Dance*, *Deadly Weapon*, *The Death of Me Yet*, *Death and the Good Life*, *The Courtesy of Death*. Here's *The Church of Dead Girls* by Stephen Dobyns, *Sex, Death and God in L.A.* edited by David Reid, even one by Martin Amis called *Dead Babies*. This is ridiculous, I have plenty of books without death in the title, I must have.

... *The Big Sleep*, *Killing Time*, *All These Condemned*, *The Last Good Kiss*, *Killer's Choice*, *Final Payments*, *Last Rites*, *Cold in July*, *Fine and Private Place*, *Our Lady of Darkness*, *Shadows on the Grass*, *The Long Goodbye*,

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I set the Mitford book on top of my cholesterol test results and feel butter and pancake syrup clogging my arteries. I put on the television; *Dead Pool* with Clint Eastwood is on. Open-heart surgery on the Discovery channel, John Lennon's assassination on VH1, *Casper the Friendly Ghost* on some cartoon channel, Princess Di on *Biography*, an infomercial for workout equipment featuring lean, muscular youths wearing tight clothes and desperate rictus grins as they work their arms and legs frantically like there's a hellhound on their heels. Kris Kristofferson is being interviewed on E! My God, he looks terrible! Looks like he might beat Bob Hope to Forest Lawn. Nothing on television but fatalities, terminal cases, the twin shadows of death and destruction, the dry whisper of the grim reaper like rats' feet over broken glass, intimations of mortality, a weary and comic and inept, vain, futile, stale, and profitless rehearsal for the Big Dirt Nap — nothing but that and golf.

I've learned that when synchronicity gangs up on you, there is nothing you can do about it. There is no escape. My guitar case looks like a coffin. The flowers on the patio look funereal, something for a mausoleum, ... the pack of cigarettes next to the ashtray, the row of video-cassettes beneath the strobing eye of the television with titles like *In a Lonely Place, Beat the Devil, Mystery Train, Love and Death, The Unforgiven, Mortal Thoughts...*

Entering the acceptance phase of my mood I pick up the Mitford book. In it, she writes, "Oh grave,

where is thy victory? Where, indeed. Many a badly stung survivor, faced with the aftermath of some relative's funeral, has ruefully concluded that the victory has been won hands down by a funeral establishment."

Why fight it? I set the book down next to my cholesterol and treadmill/stress-test results and pick up the sheets given to me by Arthur C. Mitchell, embalmer's license # 7248. After the visitation of Mr. B. at the Beardsley-Mitchell Funeral Home, Mr. Mitchell answered my inquiries with a sympathetic and appraising look. With a gesture that seemed to say, "*No rush, but no time like the present. Take your time, but not too much time, time and tide wait for no man, we have heard the chimes at midnight,*" he handed me the General Price List to review at my leisure:

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thereof, \$250; Scatter or Burial of Cremated Remains at Sea, \$85; Probate Processing Fee, \$350; Flower Van and Driver, \$110." It goes on.

The above says nothing of the price of caskets. At Beardsley-Mitchell you can pay from \$125 for a child's coffin all the way up to \$25,000. A rental casket is \$695. Also, say you need an "Air Tray for Casketed remains (required by airlines)," that will run you \$95. A "Combination Shipping Unit (required by airlines)," whatever that may be, is \$175. A "Total Traditions Cremation Service with Cremation Casket" is listed as between \$2205 and \$26,995.

The Casket Price List makes you think about your options and whether you're ready to make that financial commitment to your eternal reward. A "State Herculite (Cloth Covered Wood)" with a "White Crepe Interior" and you're looking at \$785. Or you can go with the J&S Allen model, black, with a white crepe interior for \$500. A child's "#20 Oval Pink Lamb Skin Exterior" with "Pink Crepe Interior," we're talking \$275. There is a final option, listed alone, under "Alternative Containers" and that is a "Cardboard Box" for a flat \$75 — if you act now! Remember, prices are subject to change without notice.

Thinking I'll obviously go with cremation, I peruse the Urn Price List and grab a pen. The "Royal Blue Cloisonné" sounds nice for \$395. I picture friends and relatives asking the surviving custodian of my earthly remains, "Where's John?" And the reply, "Oh, he's in the Cloisonné."

Of course there is the "Pieta" for \$595 or the "Polished Dolphins" for \$695, but couldn't I really do with the "Fredericksburg Cherry" for \$295 or the classic "Teak Bell Jar" for a mere \$195?

Actually, I have already discussed this matter, I now remember, with my girlfriend. It has been decided that my ashes will be placed in the Thermos I bought her for Valentine's Day. When her time comes, the carbonized remains of that great rack will join me. We call it "Our Thermos of Love."

"— it's not gasps and blood and falling about — that isn't what makes it death. It's just



a man failing to reappear, that's all — now you see him, now you don't, that's the only thing that's real: here one minute and gone the next and never coming back — an exit, unobtrusive and unannounced, a disappearance gathering weight as it goes on, until, finally, it is heavy with death."

— Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead

This flyer from Beardsley-Mitchell has really got me thinking about the whole thing now. How do I envision my own funeral or memorial service? First of all, there will be no "viewing." I intend to look pretty bad and I've made real progress in this area already. I would like a combination memorial service and concert, something like Woodstock or better yet, Altamont would be good with a few births and at least one death besides my own. But I realize this is unlikely, realistically speaking.

No, just renting an Elks Club hall or a conference room at a hotel in Mission Valley (one near the bar)

would be okay. I would like friends or family members to read from my body of work, something perhaps from the series I did on the county supervisors' race in 1992 or the hot air balloon battle scene from my science fiction novel in the '80s. I would naturally like any surviving members of the Troy Dante Inferno to perform "Fire" by Arthur Brown if that is possible, but only after a suitable period of weeping.

The music would be important. If live music is not practical, I think I'll take a cue from my mother. She recently told me that she is recording her own vocal onto karaoke tracks of "What I Did for Love" from *A Chorus Line* and the title song from *Cabaret*. These are to be played at her service. Her choices, I assume, make sense to her and naturally we will honor her wishes just as I hope those I leave behind will honor my choices: Richard Strauss's *Death and Transfiguration* (the whole thing, you guys!) and (at the moment I'm leaning toward) the theme from *Shaft*.

As for last words, I doubt you often have much control over what they might be. For every Oscar Wilde's reported "Either the wall-paper goes or I do," or Citizen Kane's "Rosebud," I'll bet you have a hundred folks who just say "shit." Even one of the most quoted guys ever, George Santayana, the one who said, "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it" (I always thought that should be accompanied by "Those who hear this quote are condemned to repeat it") is supposed to have uttered on his deathbed, "Tell them I said something." In view of this I have taken the precaution of writing my last words on the back of a Rite-Aid receipt for vitamin E and Just For Men. It is folded in half and is in between my Blockbuster card and Pure Platinum membership card. If you find the Lotto ticket with the writing on the back that says, "Thanks for being a good sport, sorry about your shirt — Dr. Dean," it is the wrong thing. ■

— John Brizzolara

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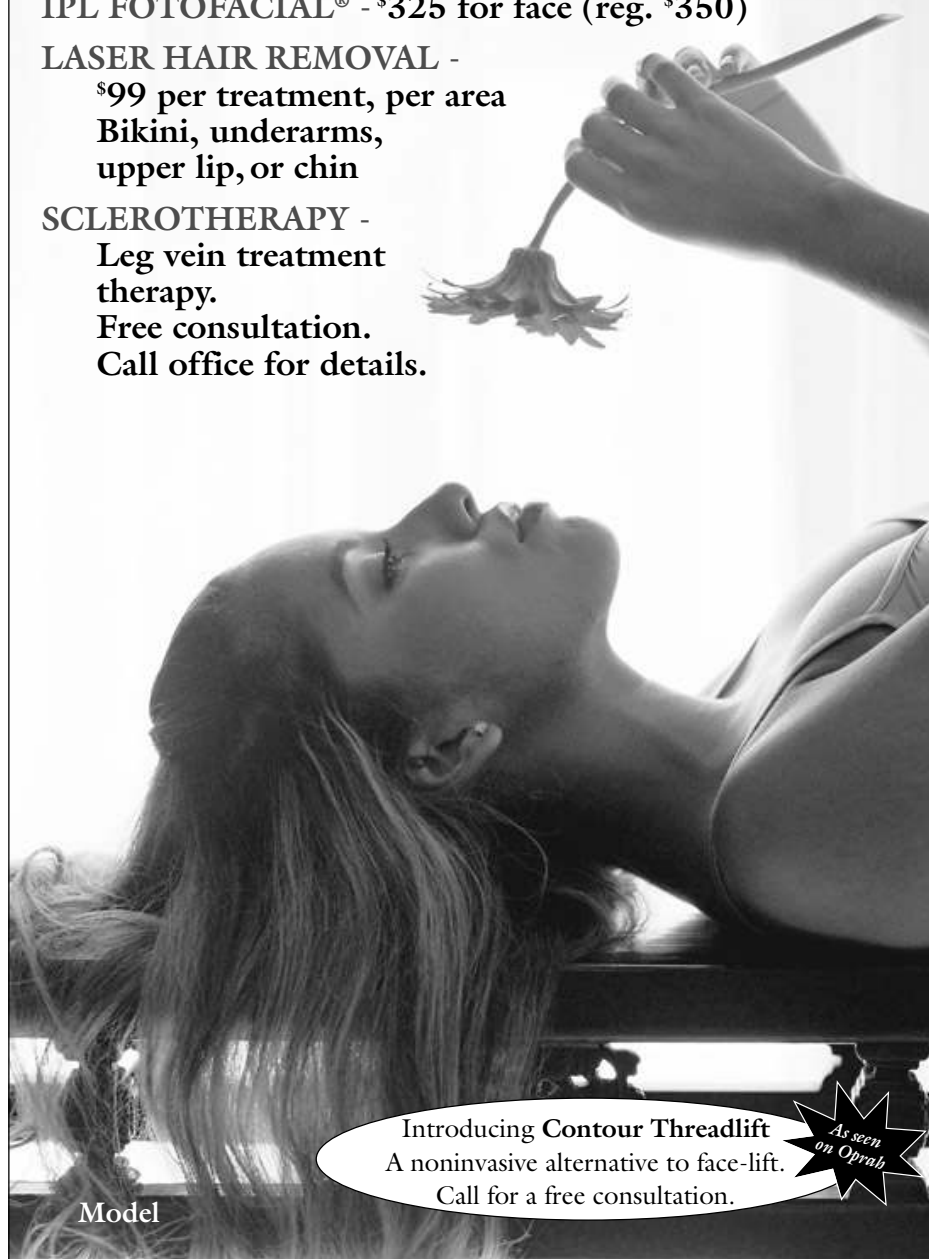
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## LETTERS

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visiting such a campground, then having the local rat population, should there be one, pick them up in turn from the pet upon its return home?

I also discovered that “hantavirus is usually associated with rats (95 percent of cases in China)” and that rats “believed to have come to the United States on cargo ships from China” have been found as far away as the greater Phoenix, Arizona, area!

I’m glad that “plague has not been found in rats in California since the early 1900s,” but how long can one play Russian roulette before they blow their brains out? Just because rats are not a vector for hantavirus now doesn’t mean they can’t be in the future. Rats may be part of nature in the wilderness, but in an urban environment, they are a serious threat to public health.

Well, gee — it looks like that NRA guy was right after all!

Mike Hoff  
via e-mail

### Questions Never Asked

I am writing in response to an article published in your paper recently entitled “What Is Mission Valley’s Future?” by Matt Potter (October 6). After reading the article, I was left with a number of unanswered and unasked questions. I am an advocate of community involvement and activism by people concerned about development in their community. That said, I don’t feel there can be a fair presentation of both sides of an issue when the accuracy or credibility of the activist is never challenged or even questioned. I am, of course, speaking of the woman that was interviewed, Lynn Mulholland.

Ms. Mulholland mentioned a survey taken of residents in Mission Valley asking them to make a choice on the use of the undeveloped surrounding property. She proceeded to quote a figure of 87 percent that chose a public park. There are some pretty obvious questions that your reporter never asked Ms. Mulholland. For example: How many surveys were sent out? Out of those surveys,

how many were returned that you used to come up with your 87 percent figure? The answers to those two questions alone could skew the results! Can she supply the necessary data on these results to be examined for accuracy? The fact of the matter is, one can get any result one wishes, even 100 percent, if a questionnaire is only answered by a small number of people that agree with the survey taker! It seems clear that Ms. Mulholland is offering her personal opinion stated as fact. She should be asked to prove the things she says and statistics she uses as much as anyone else. Anything less than that is biased journalism.

People need affordable housing in San Diego. Her concern for the environment is admirable, but development can be done in a way that works with nature and still provides people with housing and goods and services they require for life in the 21st Century. After all, someone built Ms. Mulholland’s current residence that she apparently enjoys. It is a good thing for her, but not now for anyone else?

My point is, Ms. Mulholland has as much of an agenda as any of the members of the planning group might have. It is very disheartening and unfair when someone can appoint herself an official spokesperson and say anything they feel like saying with no proof of their statements or opportunity for an alternate side of the story. I enjoy visiting Mission Valley. With the shopping, restaurants, and activities, it is a fun and exciting place to go. It is time for the voices and desires of all San Diegans to be considered.

Pamela Murphy  
La Jolla

*According to Mulholland, 1376 questionnaires were distributed and 221 were returned. — Editor*

### Unanswered Questions

When a Pacific Ocean hurricane drifts north, raining on high-elevation eastern San Diego County, the rainfall will be perhaps 24 inches (100 years’ occurrence)?

Mission Valley is the San Diego River floodplain (“What Is Mission Valley’s Future?” October 6). The

San Diego River watershed is 454 square miles (290,560 acres). Twenty-four inches of runoff over this area is 59,120 acre-feet. Brush fires in East County increase runoff.

Will the San Diego River’s channel through Mission Valley overflow?

If the Chargers’ development plan in Mission Valley is approved, will the environmental impact report take into account the probability of the channel’s overflow? Will flood insurance be available? Will the city ready this vast development? Is there an evacuation plan?

Montague Griffin  
North Park

### Cell Phone Time

Just wanted to tell the previous letter writer, Chris Markson (Letters, October 13), my solution to dealing with the Barbarella column (“Diary of a Diva”). She irritated me too, until I realized the *Reader* is free. I now give her the same time I give to the cell phone ads.

Denise Peterson  
via e-mail

### Michael Jackson For Senate

“News of the Weird” never fails to amuse. Human foibles have been targets since Greeks invented acting for masses. That Hollywood costume designers (do they invent Cher’s minimalist wardrobe?) agonize over Superman’s “package” is over the top (October 20). One can only speculate. Will Michael Moore influence Hillary Clinton’s attire, presenting her as the “manly” woman for election 2008? How will picture moguls struggle to come up with an image of empowered womanhood? Was it too big? Was it not big enough? Was it too pointy? Too round?

What a politically presentable world in which we reside, dictated by Hollywood. We suffered through a two-bit horse-opera governor, then president. Now we have another celluloid “package” complete with massive pecs, bulging biceps, and colonic gas between his ears governor. Hollywood should stick to its never-neverland mirages. What next? Michael Jackson for state senator?

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"All of the bikes in our shows are V-twins, though we do allow early British bikes and Triumphs," says Bruce Henderson, competition coordinator for the Easyriders V-Twin Bike Show. The show will be held in San Diego on October 29, the penultimate stop of the tour.

### LOCAL EVENTS

Competition for top honors will be held in Houston the following weekend.

Serving as a musical backdrop to the vast display of gleaming metal will be the band Blackberry Smoke. "They don't play a lot of original music; they play a lot of cover stuff because that's what people want to hear," says Henderson. "The first song they play will be 'Orange Blossom Special' by Johnny Cash because I tell them, 'I want that to be my first song.'" Other crowd pleasers are songs by Led Zeppelin, ZZ Top, and Alabama.

Motorcycle builders and enthusiasts may enter one of two categories: Spectator (winners determined by popular vote) or Judged. Each category is broken into classes. The Spectator's Early Riders class, or Old School, includes antique bikes or bikes that have been built recently but resemble the classic chopper. "A Biker

[class] bike is generally going to have higher handle bars, be chopped up a little bit, look hard core, and have a rigid frame," says Henderson. "[I just saw a bike] in Phoenix — it was a new-looking bike, but it was built hard core. It had a coffin engine [or engine shaped and painted to resemble a coffin]."

Bikes that belong in the Easyriders class are "more custom, with cut-down frames or frames that have been chopped in front so the handlebars set a little lower, with gas tanks curved to match the frames." The In the Wind class is for bikers who travel long distances or like their ride to be cushy. "In the Wind [class] bikes have more padded seats, saddlebags, and sometimes they have floorboards."

The Judged category includes Street Custom bikes, Antique Early Riders, Specialty bikes, and Radical bikes. "The Radical class is for more hard-core bikes. It's like the Biker class, but much more customized. [I've seen] a gas tank made to look like a dragon's head, spikes coming off the seat — specialty stuff."

Henderson remembers a bike that recently took first place in the Radical class. "One of the things that caught the judge's eye is [that] everything was all indented — you can't buy them molded like this. It was black on one side of the tortoise-shell gas tank, and it was all indented, pounded in [evenly]. It takes a good metal-man to do that and keep it smooth. There was a springer front end, which is a slick deal."

Celebrity bike builders will be in attendance to show their creations and judge the competition. Ron Finch (who

started his custom-bike-building company in 1965) "has been known to relocate the gas tank to the rear fender, the floorboards, or even the saddlebags." Billy Lane (who won the 2002 Best of Show award for his psychobilly Cadillac bike, featuring a hubless wheel) is known for his appearances on the *Great Biker Build-Off* series on the Discovery Channel. Aaron Greene of Paramount Custom Cycles, Kim Suter of KC Creations, and Paul Yaffe of Paul Yaffe Originals will be at the show.

Henderson refers to people who purchase and custom build Harleys as a hobby as "RUBs," or rich urban bikers. "An inexpensive bike in our show is a \$25,000 bike, and they can easily go up to \$250,000. You've got to have some money to compete in the bike-show world." For profes-



sional bike builders, competitions like this come with the job. "One of the biggest boosts they can get is to win an award at an Easyriders show. If they get best-of-show they get featured in a magazine, and they want that exposure."

A fashion show will feature mostly T-shirts, modeled by members of the Purrfect Angelz. "They are a group of professional dancers, actresses, *Playboy* models, and ex-professional cheerleaders out of L.A. There are 46 of them, but 5 of them come to every show to [perform] choreographed dance routines to music and display our shirts that we sell." The day after the show's finale in Houston, members of the Purrfect Angelz will rendezvous in Iraq, where they will entertain U.S. troops for a second time.

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## LOCAL EVENTS

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## BAJA

**Readings by Actor** Juan Carlos Bonet, Thursday, October 27, in Reading Room at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street in the Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. Free. (TIJUANA)

**Alejandro Filio in Concert**, Friday, October 28, 9 p.m., at El Lugar del Nopal (Callejón 5 de Mayo #1328). 011-52-664-685-1264. (TIJUANA)

**A "Cartoon Expo"** opens with reception on Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9636. Exhibit continues through Sunday, December 4. (TIJUANA)

**Electronic Music Experimental Session** with performances by Frik n Frak, El Poeta, Ladybeat, Digital Angel, others — Friday, October 28, 9:30 p.m., at El Foro, Jai Alai Palace (on Avenida Revolución). \$5 U.S. 619-338-4959. (TIJUANA)

## OUT & ABOUT

### PAINTING IN SPACE

Indian dancer Malavika Sarukkai and orchestra, Saturday, October 29, San Diego Museum of Art.

(SEE DANCE)



**Otros Paseos**, sound installation with five sound artists creating "Zen-like atmosphere using field recordings from the city of Tijuana," Friday and Sunday, October 28 and 30, 7 to 10 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**Learn About "UFOs"** during lecture by Jaime Maussán, Friday

and Saturday, October 28 and 29, 7 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**Sweetwater High Graduate** Francisco Sebastian Guerrero graduated from UCSD with master's in art and now teaches art at Seattle University. The painting exhibit "Ladrón de Cadáveres" opens with reception on Saturday,

October 29, 6 p.m., at Instituto de Cultura de Baja California (Riviera del Pacífico). Closes Monday, November 21. 011-52-646-177-3130. (ENSENADA)

**Tecate Grand Prix**, this off-road motorcycle race runs Saturday and Sunday, October 29 and 30, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Rancho Villarreal (at km 121 on Mexicali-Tecate Toll-Free Road). 011-52-665-654-0339. (TECATE)

**"Musical Salad"** offered by Kumbia Kings, Ari Borovoy, Sergio Vega, and Audaces de Tijuana, Saturday, October 29, 9 p.m., at Terrenazo Caliente (on Boulevard Agua Caliente). 011-52-664-608-4692. (TIJUANA)

**Jaguares** plan rock concert, Saturday, October 29, 9 p.m., at Auditorio Municipal. 011-52-664-608-4692. (TIJUANA)

**Poker Run Family Ride**, Saturday, October 29, starting at 8 a.m. at Cerro El Centinela. Details: 011-52-686-557-9073. (MEXICALI)

**Alejandra Guzman** in concert, Saturday, October 29, 11 p.m., at Club Maya. \$35 U.S. 619-427-5889. (TIJUANA)

**Tribute to Carmen Salinas** and her 50th anniversary as an actress, Sunday, October 30, 7 p.m., at Tijuana Cultural Center (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. Free. (TIJUANA)

**Take the Train to Tecate** when Pacific Southwest Railway Museum Association hosts vintage train excursion, Wednesday, November 2. Train departs Campo Depot at 10:30 a.m., returns to Campo at 4:30 p.m. Fare: \$40 for adults, \$20 for those 3–12, free for kids under 3. Reservations: 619-465-7776 x5. (CAMPO, TECATE)

**Day of the Dead in Ensenada**, participate in Día de los Muertos celebrations during outing hosted by San Diego Natural History Museum, Wednesday, November 2, 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Participants

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## OUTDOORS

**The Planet Mars**, nearly at its brightest and biggest (as seen in a telescope) since 2003, is attracting the attention of evening skywatchers. Closest approach for Mars occurs on the night of October 29-30, when the Red Planet lies "only" about 43 million miles away, which is about half the distance between the sun and the earth. On Sunday, November 6, Mars lies at opposition to the sun, which means that Mars rises in the east at sunset, sets in the west at sunrise, and remains above the horizon all night long.

**Autumn Color** in San Diego County's mountains reaches its greatest intensity in late October and early November. The forested heights of Palomar Mountain are especially colorful right now. Black

oaks on Palomar's rolling uplands will be exhibiting bright yellow and brown hues for the next few weeks. Cuyamaca Reservoir, although hard hit by the 2003 Cedar Fire, remains a worthwhile leaf-peeping destination. The shimmering leaves of the Lombardy poplar, an Italian import that has taken root at the south end of the lake, delight the eye with their golden radiance.

**Walk Along Salt Works** with naturalist and learn of area's unique facets, Saturday, October 29, 9 a.m. Just walk, or help form a "Friends of South Bay Wildlife Group." Free. To reach trailhead, take I-5 to Palm Avenue/75 exit, head west to 13th Street; turn right, meet at end of street where bicycle path begins. 619-425-5771. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

**REI's Annual Service Project** involves trail maintenance work in Los Peñasquitos Canyon, Saturday, October 29, 8 a.m. Free. Reservations: 858-279-4400, 760-944-9020. (PENASQUITOS)

**Observe Seasonal Changes in Vegetation** in Tecolote Canyon Natural Park (west) with Canyoneers on Saturday, October 29, 1 p.m. Free. Directions: 619-255-0203. (CLAIREMONT)

**Tour del Día**, Offshoot Tours offers an hour-long guided stroll highlighting the Park Palisades area of Balboa Park on Saturday,

## OUT & ABOUT

### MOST FRIGHTENING

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(SEE FILM)



October 29, 10 a.m., beginning at the visitors' center. 619-235-1121. Free. (BALBOA PARK)

**Explore the "Haunts" of Del Mar** with Walkabout adventurers, Saturday, October 29. Creep past the Del Mar "castle," serpentine "Snake Wall," "Pink Lady," and "eerie pathways" along San Dieguito River channel and estuary. Moderate-plus pace, 2.5-hour saunter over mixed up and down terrain starts at 9:30 a.m. at northwest corner of Del Mar Heights Road and Durango Drive (five blocks west of I-5). Free. 619-231-7463. (DEL MAR)

**Daylight Saving Time** ends this Sunday morning (October 30) at 2 a.m. With the resumption of standard time, midday (the time when the sun reaches its maximum altitude in the south part of the sky) will again be close to 12

noon on our clocks, rather than 1 p.m., as before.

**Fire Recovery**, naturalist Carol Stanford leads moderate 4.5-mile hike in Daley Ranch to see gains plant communities have made since wildfires. Hike starts at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 30, in main parking lot on La Honda Drive. Requested reservations: 760-839-4680. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

**Birding the Marsh**, Chula Vista Nature Center hosts guided bird-watching hikes around Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge, on Sunday, October 30, 11 a.m. Reservations: 619-409-5903. Free. (CHULA VISTA)

**Halloween Evening** (Monday, the 31st) promises to be a dark one except where the city lights cast their glow. The moon on that date, just shy of new phase, will be completely absent from the nocturnal sky.

**Guided Nature Stroll at Old Mission Dam**, designed for those with limited mobility and others,

Tuesday, November 1, 10 a.m., in Mission Trails Regional Park, Kumeyaay Lake Campground (Two Father Junipero Serra Trail). Focus on history of dam, park ecology, interaction of local plants, animals, the elements. Wheelchair friendly. Free. 619-668-3281. (MISSION GORGE)

**The Taurid Meteor Shower**, featuring about 10-15 visible events per hour (as seen this year under clear, dark, moonless night skies), peaks on November 2 and 3. Best times for viewing are approximately 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. Individual meteors belonging to this shower are relatively slow-moving; they're caused by particles burning up when colliding with the Earth's atmosphere at a mere 18 miles per second. All Taurids seem to radiate from a fixed point in the direction of the constellation of Taurus, hence their name.

## DANCE

**Super Villains and Super Heroes Rule** for costumes at sixth annual Firehouse Costume Swing Dance Party, Thursday, October 27, at Firehouse YMCA Community Center (7877 Herschel Avenue). Live swing/jazz music by Big Mo Band, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.; costume contests, dance performances. Admission: \$10 with costume, \$12 without. All ages. 858-395-6060. (LA JOLLA)

**Raks el Anwar and Friends** from Art/Dance Academy perform Middle Eastern dance, Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Greek Paradise (608 Mission Avenue). Walid As-saf on drums, soloist Jasanna Ma-

her. Reservations: 760-721-1044. (OCEANSIDE)

**Eerie Evening of Waltz** to "haunting music" promised during beginner-friendly dance on Friday, October 28, in room 207 of Casa del Prado. Costumes encouraged. Lesson at 7:30 p.m., followed by open dancing. Free. All ages; partners not required. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Painting in Space,"** Indian painter Malvika Sarukkai premieres a new work on Saturday, October 29, 7 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art. Piece is performed in 2000-year-old Indian dance form *Bharata Natyam*, the artist's response to works of art in "Domains of Wonder" exhibit. \$40 general. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Alice in Wonderland"** presented by San Diego Ballet and Culture Shock Dance Troupe, Saturday, October 29, 2:30 and 8 p.m., at Lyceum Theatre in Horton Plaza. Also: *Everybody Dance!* by Javier Velasco. Tickets: \$28 adults, \$18 for kids. 619-294-7378. (DOWNTOWN)

**31st Annual Concert of Philippine Dances** and music by Samahan Filipino American Performing Arts Education Center, October 29 and 30, at Salvation Army Kroc Community Center Performing Arts Theatre (6845 University Avenue). Rondalla and Kulintang Music Ensembles perform. Curtain rises at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday. \$15 general. 619-444-7528. (ROLANDO)

**Halloween Dance Party** with music by Ray Barrie Big-Band Orchestra, Saturday, October 29, 6:30 to 10:30 p.m., at Balboa Park Club (on Pan American Plaza). Semi-formal, vintage, or Halloween costumes requested. \$10. 619-297-4363. (BALBOA PARK)

**Contradance** to music by Old Twine String Band, calling by Steve Barlow, Saturday, October 29, 8 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Beginner's workshop at

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2005	Time	Opponent	Giveaway/Promotion				
Sat., Nov. 5	7:05pm	STOCKTON*	Hats/Magnets/Teddy Bear Toss	Fri., Jan. 20	7:35pm	LAS VEGAS	
Sun., Nov. 13	5:05pm	PHOENIX*	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls	Sun., Jan. 22	5:05pm	BAKERSFIELD	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls
Fri., Nov. 18	7:35pm	BAKERSFIELD*	Free Food Day (Food Item TBA)	Fri., Jan. 27	7:35pm	STOCKTON	Pooch Party 2
Wed., Nov. 23	7:05pm	VICTORIA	Thanksgiving Food Drive	Sat., Jan. 28	7:05pm	FRESNO	Gulls Boxer Shorts
Fri., Nov. 25	7:35pm	LONG BEACH	Pooch Party	Sat., Feb. 18	7:05pm	VICTORIA	Canadian Night/Gulls Toques
Sat., Nov. 26	7:05pm	STOCKTON	Mullet Night/Mullet T-Shirts	Wed., Feb. 22	7:05pm	UTAH	
Sun., Nov. 27	5:05pm	FRESNO	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls	Sat., Feb. 25	7:05pm	UTAH	Long-sleeved T-shirts
Sat., Dec. 3	7:05pm	JOHNSTOWN*	Survive the Holidays/Water Bottle	Wed., Mar. 1	7:05pm	LONG BEACH	
Sun., Dec. 4	5:05pm	JOHNSTOWN	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls	Fri., Mar. 3	7:35pm	LAS VEGAS	Military Appreciation Night
Fri., Dec. 9	7:35pm	PHOENIX		Sat., Mar. 4	7:05pm	LAS VEGAS	Disco Night/Fro Wigs
Fri., Dec. 16	7:35pm	LONG BEACH		Wed., Mar. 8	7:05pm	DAYTON*	Karl Straus Wet Down Wednesday
Sat., Dec. 17	7:05pm	BAKERSFIELD	Stuff Your Stocking/Holiday Stocking	Sun., Mar. 12	5:05pm	FRESNO	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls
2006	Time	Opponent		Fri., Mar. 24	7:35pm	LONG BEACH	Pooch Party 3
Wed., Jan. 4	7:05pm	ALASKA	Karl Straus Wet Down Wednesday	Sat., Mar. 25	7:05pm	PHOENIX	'80s Night/Gulls Velcro Wallet
Fri., Jan. 6	7:35pm	BAKERSFIELD	Gulls Girls Night	Sat., Apr. 1	7:05pm	IDAHO	Fan Appreciation Night/Gulls Visors
Sat., Jan. 7	7:05pm	UTAH*	Redneck Night/Trucker Hats	Sun., Apr. 2	5:05pm	IDAHO	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls
Sun., Jan. 8	5:05pm	ALASKA	Kids' Night/Skate with the Gulls	Wed., Apr. 5	7:05pm	IDAHO	Un-used Season Ticket Night
Fri., Jan. 13	7:35pm	BAKERSFIELD	Old Time Hockey Wknd/Free Food Fri.	Fri., Apr. 7	7:35pm	STOCKTON	Golf Night/Gulls Golf Balls
Sat., Jan. 14	7:05pm	ALASKA	Old Time Hockey Wknd/Willie O'Ree Hat				

### SEASON TICKET INFORMATION

	Center Ice	Lower Level	End Loge	Terrace
<b>Full Season</b> (36 Games)	\$ 800	\$ 710	\$ 575	\$ 375
<b>Half Season</b> (18 Games)	\$ 425	\$ 365	\$ 295	\$ 195
<b>Saturdays</b> (12 Games)	\$ 275	\$ 240	\$ 205	\$ 130
<b>6 Pack</b>	\$ 140	\$ 125	\$ 100	\$ 65
<b>Flex 36</b>	\$ 800	\$ 710	\$ 575	\$ 375
<b>Flex 20</b>	\$ 460	\$ 400	\$ 340	\$ 220
<b>Flex 10</b>	\$ 230	\$ 200	\$ 170	\$ 110

### GROUP TICKET INFORMATION

Groups of 20 or more will receive special group rate plus benefits.

<b>Groups (Fri &amp; Sat)</b>	\$ 24	\$ 19	\$ 15	\$ 9
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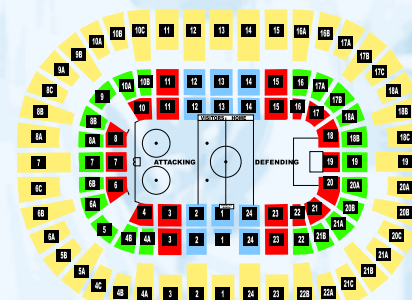
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## LOCAL EVENTS

7:30 p.m. \$7. Wear soft-soled shoes. Optional potluck at 6:30 p.m.; bring food/beverage to share. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

**Halloween Folk Dance Party** — all-request program by Kin Ho, Saturday, October 29, 7:30 p.m., at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street, suite A). “Romanian” dress required (think Dracula, gypsy). \$6. 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Dance and Discourse**, Eveoke Dance Theatre presents “Eveocation,” with “favorite shorts,” preview of upcoming season, more, Sunday, October 30, 7 p.m. Tickets: \$20, \$25. Find Eveoke at 644 Seventh Avenue. Required reservations: 619-238-1153. (DOWNTOWN)

**English Country Dancing** takes place every Sunday, 6 to 9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). Instruction by Ellen Riley on October 30. Beginner’s instruction at 6 p.m. \$6 per class; \$20 per month. 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

**Halloween Swing and Jitterbug Dance Party** at Pattie Wells Dancetime Center, Sunday, October 30, for singles and couples of all ages. DJ plays music for open dancing 7 to 9:30 p.m.; dance lesson at 7:30 p.m. Find center at 1255 West Morena Boulevard. 619-275-3533. Admission is \$7; free for first-timers. (BAY PARK)

**Fun with Bellydance**, beginning level workshops by Leilainia, Tues-

days, November 1–December 6, 6:45 p.m., at Bamboo Yoga and Bodywork Center (1127 Loma Avenue). \$60 for six-week series. 619-435-9119. (CORONADO)

**Wednesday-Night Club**, mid-week dance break for West Coast swing and New York hustle, plus ballroom and social dance mix, November 2, 7 to 11 p.m., at Mission Valley Resort Hotel (upstairs above Valley Tavern, 875 Hotel Circle South). \$7. 619-596-9777. (MISSION VALLEY)

**Demystifying Dance!** Students in MiraCosta College’s dance classes perform modern, ballet, tap, jazz, ballroom, and world dance styles for Dance Studio Hour, Thursday, November 3, 7:30 p.m., in room 204 of San Elijo campus of MiraCosta College (3333 Manchester Avenue). Free. 760-795-6815. (CARDIFF)

**Bellydancer Shalimar** performs to world-beat music by Damrau, Thursday, November 3, 8 p.m., at Claire de Lune Coffeehouse (2906 University Avenue). Donation: \$5. 619-688-9845. (NORTH PARK)

## FILM

**“Peace, Propaganda, and the Promised Land** — The U.S. Media and the Palestinian-Israeli Conflict” screens for American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee and ACLU, Thursday, October 27, 7 p.m., at Four Points Sheraton Hotel (8110 Aero Drive). Donations accepted. 619-840-1945. (CLAIREMONT)

**The Shocker** *Wait Until Dark* with Audrey Hepburn as the blind

## OUT & ABOUT

**FALLBACK FESTIVAL**, Sunday, October 30, in Gaslamp Quarter.

(SEE FOR KIDS)



victim of con game is shown for Cinema Under the Stars, Thursday through Saturday, October 27–29, 8:30 p.m. Enjoy 1967 flick at 4040 Goldfinch Street. \$12. 619-295-4221. (MISSION HILLS)

**“Downfall,”** a historical drama chronicling the last days of Hitler and his Nazi empire starring Bruno Ganz, screens for International Film Series at MiraCosta College, Friday, October 28. See film at 1 p.m. in room 204 at MiraCosta’s San Elijo campus (3333 Manchester Avenue). Film also screens at 7 p.m. in room 3601 on campus at One Barnard Drive. 760-795-6612. Free. In German with English subtitles. (CARDIFF, OCEANSIDE)

**The Twisted Love God**, former San Diegan Frank Grow’s feature, screens Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (700 Prospect Street). Grow hosts slide show, question and answer about “his cinematic freak show” after screening. \$7. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

**Halloween Movies Before the Mast** — it’s date night, for those 18 and older, and screening of *The Island*, Friday, October 28, on sails of *Star of India* (described as “one of the most haunted locations in San Diego”). Family night is Saturday, October 29, with *The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms*. Costume contests each night (only for kids on 29th). Below decks lit by candles for host hunting.

Gates open at 7 p.m., movie at 8 p.m. Tickets: \$12 general, \$7 for children 12 and younger. Find the *Star* at 1306 North Harbor Drive. Reservations: 619-234-9153 x101. (DOWNTOWN)

**“Keeping the Faith,”** a comedy in which a rabbi and a priest fall in love with the same women, screens Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Philosophical Library (507 South Escondido Boulevard). Donation: \$5. 760-745-2724. (ESCONDIDO)

**“Schultze Gets the Blues,”** Michael Schorr’s 2004 “deadpan comedy,” is shown in German

with English subtitles for Sunday Matinee on October 30, 2 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**Alice Wu’s “Brazen Romantic Comedy”** *Saving Face* (2004), starring Michelle Krusiec and Joan Chen, screens for Film Forum on Monday, October 31, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. In English and Mandarin with English subtitles. (DOWNTOWN)

**Most Frightening Vampire Film?** Friedrich W. Murnau’s 1922 classic *Nosferatu the Vampire* screens with live music on Monday, October 31, 8 p.m., in Seuss Room of UCSD’s Geisel Library. Musical ensemble includes theremins, Moog synthesizers, ritual percussion instruments, orchestral instruments. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

**Native American Film Series** gets underway with *Thunderheart*,

murder mystery starring Val Kilmer, Wednesday, November 2, 6 p.m., in Academic Hall room 102 at CSU San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road). Free. 760-750-4366. (SAN MARCOS)

## LECTURES

**Theologian, Art Historian**, classicist Otto Mower will “delve into the mind of Rembrandt and address why the artist chose” certain apostles to portray in his paintings, Thursday, October 27, for “Art in the Afternoon” series at Timken Museum of Art. Getty Museum curator Anne Woollett presents “Portraying the Faithful: Rembrandt’s Late Apostles and Saints” on Thursday, November 3. Free. Talks begin at 12:30 p.m. 619-239-5548. (BALBOA PARK)

**Bharatha Natyam Is a Major Classical Dance** of India, with two aspects: *nritta* (pure dance) and *abhinaya* (expressional dance). Malavika Sarukkai explains how these aspects and symbolism work together during lecture-demonstration on Thursday, October 27, 1 p.m., at San Diego Museum of Art \$10. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Christians, Jews, and Muslims: Musical Interactions** in Medieval Spain” presented by UCSB professor Dwight Reynolds on Thursday, October 27, 7:30 p.m., at Aztec Athletic Center Auditorium (on 55th Street, opposite Cox Arena). Free. 619-594-6598. (SDSU)

**“Copyright: The Bigger Picture,”** intellectual property attorney Matthew Murphey examines “nuts and bolts of copyright,” issues sur-

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rounding copyright protections in digital age, Thursday, October 27, 6:30 p.m., at Ray Street Studios (3436 Ray Street). \$10. Reservations: 619-299-0010. (NORTH PARK)

**Traveling to Australia and New Zealand** is topic when Anderson and Thomas Mangum speak on Thursday, October 27, 7 p.m., at Le Travel Store (745 Fourth Avenue). Free. RSVP: 619-544-0005. (DOWNTOWN)

**"The Salton Sea Ecosystem: It's Worth Saving,"** asserts Kathie Satterfield when Audubon Society meets, Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Free. 619-682-7200. (CLAIREMONT)

**"Domains of Wonder"** surveyed by Indian scholar and exhibit co-curator B.N. Goswamy for Docent Guest lecture at San Diego Museum of Art on Friday, October 28, 10 a.m. \$10. 619-696-1953. (BALBOA PARK)

**"San Diego's Ills: Is More Openness the Answer?"** San Diego's mayoral candidates and other panelists address the question, Friday, October 28, 6 p.m., at 10News Studios (4600 Air Way). \$50. 916-487-7000. (SAN DIEGO)

**SD for Open Government,** conference on Saturday, October 29, 8 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., at San Diego Convention Center (111 West Harbor Drive). Panel topics include "Whistleblowers and the Law," "Open Government in San Diego," "E-Government and Transparency," "The War, the Press, and the Bloggers," more. \$25. 916-487-7000. (DOWNTOWN)

**Prepare for Día de los Muertos** during sugar skull workshops on Saturday, October 29, 10 a.m., at Back from Tombocou (3564 Adams Avenue). \$15. Reservations: 619-282-8708. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Wander the Lavender Fields** to harvest materials and then create a fresh lavender wreath with Na-

dine Spier, Sunday, October 30, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Lavender Fields (12460 Keys Creek Road). \$65 fee includes materials. Registration: 760-944-9369. (VALLEY CENTER)

**Pros and Cons,** League of Women Voters host forum describing eight initiatives pending consideration by voters, Sunday, October 30, 11:30 a.m., at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito (1036 Solana Drive). Free. 858-755-9225. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Sample Fair Trade Certified Teas** — supporting small tea farms and surrounding communities in developing countries — during monthly tea tasting, Sunday, October 30, 5 p.m., at Infusions of Tea (8750 Genesee Avenue, suite 258). \$5. Required reservations: 858-450-6500. (GOLDEN TRIANGLE)

**"Banquets for Souls:** Days of the Dead in Oaxaca and Yucatan" presented by Judith Strupp Green for 12 O'Clock Scholar series at

San Diego Museum of Man on Monday, October 31. \$6. 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

**Snowshoe Clinic 101** offered on Tuesday, November 1, at REI Encinitas (1590 Leucadia Boulevard; 760-944-9020) and on Wednesday, November 2, at REI San Diego (5556 Copley Drive; 858-279-4400). Programs at 7 p.m. Free. (ENCINITAS, KEARNY MESA)

**California's Ballot Measures** pondered on Wednesday, November 2, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

**Tour the Night Sky** during "The Sky Tonight" planetarium show at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center, 7 p.m., Wednesday, November 2. View real sky through telescopes (weather permitting) after show. 619-238-1233. \$6.75 general. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Introduction to Photography"** offered at Bella Pacifica Galleries (403 Wisconsin Avenue) on Wednesday,

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## LOCAL EVENTS

November 2, 7 p.m. Composition, equipment, lighting techniques, more. Free. Reservations: 760-433-7685. Class repeats Saturday, November 5, 10 a.m. (OCEANSIDE)

**"Searching the Internet: Who's Watching?"** San Diego Center for Ethics in Science and Technology focuses on ethical, legal responsibilities of search engines on Wednesday, November 2, 7 p.m., at Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). Free. Requested reservations: 858-822-2647. (LA JOLLA)

**A Rare Bacterial Infection** claimed legs and fingers of Carlsbad resident Patty Kolb in 1994. Kolb presents "Changing the Way You See Your Life" on Thursday, November 3, noon, in room 3601 of MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive). Free. 760-757-2121 x6580. (OCEANSIDE)

**The Wooden Window and Door Man Cometh!** Matt Berowski plans hands-on demonstration to help owners of vintage and contemporary homes with repairs and installations for History Alive series hosted by Lemon Grove Historical Society, Thursday, November 3, 1:30 p.m., in H. Lee House Cultural Center (3205 Olive Street). \$2. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

**"The Culture of Fire"** considered on Thursday, November 3, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Fire and people are inseparable; together they have remade landscapes across continents and centuries. Stephen J. Pyne offers examples of choices to be made from Europe, Africa, Australia, North America. \$8. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

## IN PERSON

**Three-Time Emmy Award Winner** Jack Klugman signs *Tony and Me: A Story of a Friendship*, Thursday, October 27, 7:30 p.m., for San Diego Jewish Book Fair at Lawrence Family Jewish Commu-

# ROAM-ORAMA

## A GUIDE TO UNEXPECTED SAN DIEGO AND BEYOND | BY JERRY SCHAD

The Hills for Everyone Trail (actually reserved for hikers only — no mountain bikes or equestrian allowed), commemorates "Hills for Everyone," a conservation organization that was instrumental in the establishment of the 13,000-acre Chino Hills State Park. The trail runs up an unnamed tributary of the larger Aliso Canyon, and is beautifully shaded by live oak, walnut, sycamore,



California walnut bough

elderberry, and toyon. The native "California walnut" trees here are endemic to the foothill region surrounding the Los Angeles basin. San Diego County lies just outside their native range. In the next month or so, both the walnut and sycamore trees will show their best autumnal colors.

To get to the trailhead from San Diego follow Interstate 15 north to Corona. Exit at the westbound Highway 91 (Riverside Freeway), continue 5.5 miles, and take Highway 71 north. After seven miles, exit at Soquel Canyon Parkway. Drive west on Soquel Canyon Parkway 1.0 mile to Elinvar Drive. Turn left, left again after 0.2 mile, and then immediately right on the gravel road signed "Chino Hills State Park." That road, through Bane Canyon, is open during park hours, 8 a.m. to sunset. After one-half mile you arrive at the park's entrance station. After two miles, the road becomes paved and bends sharply right. Continue all the way to the end of the pavement, and park in the lot at Rolling M Ranch, the site of the park office.

On foot now, walk south on the paved entrance road for about 200 yards, then turn right (west) on the Telegraph Canyon Trail — a maintained dirt road closed to motor traffic. After a near-flat 0.9 mile of travel, look for the Hills for Everyone Trail on the right, which follows a ravine (another, wider trail continues

north to Raptor Ridge). For the next 1.3 miles you stick close to the bottom of that ravine. In winter and spring, water courses through here, nourishing a moist, dark understory of wild berry

At the top you come to a saddle, part of a major watershed divide in the Chino Hills, where several trails come together. Just west of that saddle is McDermont Spring, an old

## CHINO HILLS STATE PARK

Hills for Everyone Trail darts up one of most attractively wooded ravines of Chino Hills State Park.

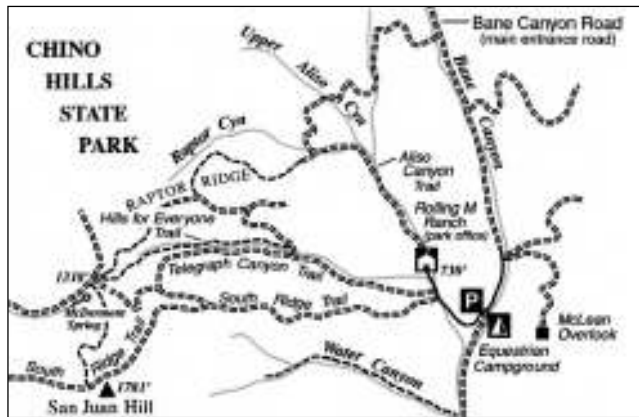
**Distance from downtown San Diego:** 112 miles

**Hiking length:** 5 miles round trip

**Difficulty:** Moderate

vines, ferns, nettles, watercress, and other riparian vegetation. Near the top of the trail, filtered sunlight illuminates wild grape vines draped among the oak trees.

stock pond filled with cattails. Nearby an old windmill groans as it pumps water into a metal tank. Look for frogs, pond turtles, and a host of birds before you return the same way.



nity Center (4126 Executive Drive). \$22 general. Reservations: 858-362-1348. (LA JOLLA)

**The Beauty and Depth** "of every part of the world" is documented in the 240 photographs contained in *Wide Angle: National Geographic Greatest Places*. Author Gerd Ludwig discusses and signs books, Thursday, October 27, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347). Free. (LA JOLLA)

**Friedrich Duerrenmatt's Tragicomic Play** *The Visit* per-

formed in Roundabout Theatre at San Dieguito Academy (800 Santa Fe Drive). Play begins at 7 p.m. Thursday, October 27; Friday, October 28; Wednesday, November 2; Thursday, November 3; Friday, November 4; and Saturday, November 5. \$10 for adults, \$5 for children, students. 760-753-1121 x5156. (ENCINITAS)

**Author** Michelle Whitedove signs and discusses *She Talks With Angels*, Thursday, October 27, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble, Grossmont Center mall (5500 Grossmont Center Drive; 619-667-2870). Free.

(LA MESA)

Whitedove also appears Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (810 West Valley Parkway). Free. 760-480-2760. (ESCONDIDO)

**"Clive Barker: Visions of Heaven and Hell"** signed by author Clive Barker, Friday, October 28, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard; 858-268-4747). Free. (CLAIREMONT)

**"Saying Yes to Life (Even the Hard Parts)"** signed, discussed

by author Ezra Bayda at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue), Friday, October 28, 7 p.m. Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

**"Arsenic and Old Lace"** presented by Classic Youth Theatre, October 28–30, at Carlsbad Village Theatre (2822 State Street). Play begins at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 3 p.m. on Sunday. 760-730-9447. (CARLSBAD)

**Electronic Media Artist** Paul DeMarinis presents his work in sound, installation, and performance, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fri-

day, October 28, in arts building room 111 at CSU San Marcos (333 South Twin Oaks Valley Road). Free. 760-750-4137. (SAN MARCOS)

**"How Loud Is Silence"** presented by Imagination Express — All-Aboard, October 28–30, at Adams Avenue Studio of the Arts (2804 Adams Avenue). Mime and pantomime performances begin at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. on Sunday. \$15 general, \$12 for seniors, children. 619-584-3593. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**"The Banner Bandit, or Double Trouble Was Her Plight,"** Julian Triangle Club's annual old-time melodrama and olio presented October weekends through October 30 at Julian Town Hall (2129 Main Street). Boo the villain and cheer the hero! Live entertainment between acts, community sing-alongs preceding play.

Curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 1:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday; community sing-alongs begin 15 minutes before performances. Admission: \$8 for adults, \$2 for children 2–12. 760-765-3863. (JULIAN)

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**Classic Reading Series** continues with Halloween/Día de los Muertos reading, Saturday, October 29, 10:30 p.m., at 6th@Penn Theatre (3704 Sixth Avenue). Donation: \$10. Reservations: 619-688-9210. (HILLCREST)

**Public Policy Professor** Donald T. Critchlow discusses his new book, *Phyllis Schlafly and Grassroots Conservatism: A Woman's Crusade*, Saturday, October 29, 7 p.m., at D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue). Free. 858-456-1800. (LA JOLLA)

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**Mystery Authors** Marcia Talley (*This Enemy Town*) and Kate Charles (*Evil Intent*) discuss and sign books at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard) on Saturday, October 29, 2 p.m. 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

**Author** David Vann signs, discusses *A Mile Down: The True Story of a Disastrous Career at Sea*, Saturday, October 29, 3 p.m., Barnes and Noble in Grossmont Center mall (5500 Grossmont Center Drive). Free. 619-667-2870. (LA MESA)

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**Noted Local Poet** minerva reads her contribution to *Chicken Soup for the African-American Soul*, Saturday, October 29, 2 p.m., in Wangerheim Room at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**Rick James Quartet** performs at 1:30 p.m. for party hosted by Jazz Association of Greater San Diego (JAG) on Sunday, October 30, at Handlery Hotel and Resort (950 Hotel Circle North). Doors open at 12:45. \$12. 858-454-8080. (MISSION VALLEY)

**NPR's "Morning Edition" Host** Renée Montagne speaks on Sunday, October 30, 3 p.m., in Crill Performance Hall, Point Loma Nazarene University (3900 Lomaland Drive). \$42-\$102. 888-399-5727. (POINT LOMA)

**Yusef Lateef Quartet** and many others perform for benefit jazz concert, Sunday, October 30, 7 p.m., at WorldBeat Center (2100 Park Boulevard). \$20 in advance. 619-230-1190. (BALBOA PARK)

**Tim Flannery and Friends** perform Sunday, October 30, at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). \$30 fee includes light supper at 5 p.m. Reservations: 760-436-3036 x206. (ENCINITAS)

**Open-Mike Spoken Word/Poetry** event with Eugene Albert featured, Monday, October 31, 9:30 p.m., at Hot Monkey Love Cafe (5960 El Cajon Boulevard). \$5. 619-819-7553. (SAN DIEGO)

**National Book Award Recipient** Jonathan Kozol speaks Tuesday, November 1, 7 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Kozol's newest book is *The Shame of the Nation: The Restoration of Apartheid Schooling in America*, for which he visited 60 schools in 11 states over a

5-year period. \$5. Requested reservations: 619-687-3580. (DOWNTOWN)

**Food for Thought**, linguist Richard Lederer and radio co-host Martha Barnette present "An Evening of Language and Laughter," Tuesday, November 1, 8 p.m., at Lyceum Theater in Horton Plaza. \$25. 619-544-1000. (DOWNTOWN)

**Soledad Mountain Band** rolls in from Arizona and California to perform for band night hosted by San Diego North County Bluegrass and Folk Club on Tuesday, November 1, 7 p.m., at Round Table Pizza (1161 East Washington Street). Free. 760-724-1785. (ESCONDIDO)

**"Tribute to Fallen Comrades"** promised during Día de los Muertos celebrations on Wednesday, November 2, 7 p.m., at Chicano Perk Cafe (129 25th Street). Poetry readings by many local lights, presentation by Jorge Mariscal of Project YANO. Free. 619-434-9036. (LOGAN HEIGHTS)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

**Who Is California's Poet Laureate?** Al Young plans poetry reading for Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series, Wednesday, November 2. Young's volumes include *Heaven: Collected Poems, 1956-90* and *The Blues Don't Change*; he's worked as screenwriter with Sidney Poitier, Bill Cosby, Richard Pryor. Reading starts at 7 p.m. in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

**"Everybody Worked Back Then:** Oral History, Memory, and Indian Labor in Northern California" presented by William Bauer,

Wednesday, November 2, 3 p.m., in social sciences building room 107 at UCSD. Free. 858-534-3276. (LA JOLLA)

**Fantasy Author** Robert Jordan signs, discusses *Knife of Dreams*, Wednesday, November 2, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). 858-268-4747. Free. (CLAIREMONT)

**Poetry Unlimited** showcases poetry and art by UCSD writing teacher Bruce Tindall, music by Devora Susman and others on Wednesday, November 2, 5 p.m., at Florence Riford Library (7555 Draper Avenue). Open readings follow. Free. 858-552-1657. (LA JOLLA)

**Smooth Jazz, Tangos,** and South American music on tap when Peter Puppington performs for First Thursday Concert on

November 3, 7 p.m., in Escondido Library's Turrentine Room (239 South Kalmia Street). Free. 760-839-4329. (ESCONDIDO)

**Geopolitical Satirist** and artist Michael Arcega exhibits a "sculptural installation pregnant with social commentary" and will be on hand to answer questions about his art during Thursday Night Thing, November 3, at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego (1001 Kettner Boulevard). 619-234-1001. Donation: \$3. (DOWNTOWN)

## SPORTS

**All Women, Full-Contact Football** — the SoCal Scorpions, a member of the Women's Professional Football League, plays first-

round playoff game against Los Angeles Amazons on Saturday, October 29, 7 p.m., in DeVore Stadium at Southwestern College (900 Otay Lakes Road). \$10. 866-71-STING. (CHULA VISTA)

**Five-on-Five Soccer** tournament is October 29 and 30, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Earl Warren Middle School (155 Stevens Avenue). Men's divisions compete on Saturday, women play on Sunday. 619-203-7156. (SOLANA BEACH)

**12th Annual San Diego Triathlon Challenge** hosted by Challenged Athletes Foundation on Sunday, October 30, 7 a.m., at La Jolla Cove. Event includes 1.2-mile ocean swim, 56-mile bike ride, 13.1-mile run. 858-793-9293. (LA JOLLA)

**San Diego Chargers** host Kansas City Chiefs at Qualcomm Stadium on Sunday, October 30, 1:05 p.m. Game broadcast on CBS. Tickets available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (MISSION VALLEY)

**Day of the Dead Ride**, put on a costume (prizes awarded for most original, scariest) and join Knickerbikers bicyclists for ride, Sunday, October 30. Easy 25-mile adventure starts at 10 a.m. at Harbor Drive and Hawthorne Street, includes old cemeteries, altar tour in Sherman Heights. Bring money for lunch. 619-262-3969. (DOWNTOWN)

**American Lung Association's Five-Mile Asthma Walk** is Sunday, October 30, at De Anza Cove. Registration at 7 a.m., event at 8 a.m. 619-683-8642. (MISSION BAY)

**Beginner's Kayak Lessons** offered on Sunday, October 30, 10 a.m., by Allen's Kayaks (819 Fernando Place). Equipment provided. Bring shoes that can get wet, lightweight shorts, light jacket. Participants must be able to swim. 858-488-5599. (MISSION BAY)

**Row for the Cure** hosted by UCSD rowing team and Komen San Diego, Sunday, October 30, 7 to 11 a.m., at north Ski Beach. Rowers and kayakers of all ages and skill levels participate in timed races. Fees: \$25-\$90. Registration: 760-692-2900. (MISSION BAY)

**Ramona Express Ride** with lots of hills hosted by Sierra Club bicyclists, Sunday, October 30. This 52-miler starts at 8:30 a.m. on Herbert Street (one block south of Mira Mesa Boulevard at Scripps Ranch Boulevard), heads out on Highway 67, Highland Valley

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**Local Author Book Festival**, Friday, October 28, 5 to 9 p.m., at Loma Theatre Bookstar (3150 Rosecrans Place). Participating authors include Diane Asitimbay, Christine D’Amico, Marg Starg, Jack Innis, Judy Reeves, Lee Fetzer. Presentations for children and adults. Free. 619-225-0465. (POINT LOMA)

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**San Diego Oktoberfest** runs October 28–30 at Del Mar Fairgrounds. More than 40 bands on six stages, traditional German food, carnival rides, bratwurst-eating and stein-holding competitions. Hours: 5 p.m. to midnight on Friday, noon to midnight on Saturday, noon to 8 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$10 per day general, \$5 per day for kids 6–12, free for those five and under. 619-223-5240. (DEL MAR)

**Circle of Life**, this Día de los Muertos event with James Hubbell is Saturday, October 29, 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive).

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**Neither Macabre nor Morbid,** Día de los Muertos altar tours, Saturday and Sunday, October 29 and 30, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Over a dozen altars at Sherman Heights Community Center (2258 Island Avenue), La Danza Azteca performances, folk art, food (for sale). 619-232-5181 x11. Donation. (SHERMAN HEIGHTS)

**Over 100 Custom Motorcycles Compete** — Easyriders Bike Show 2005, Saturday, October 29, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., at San Diego Convention Center (111 West Harbor Drive). Creations of Billy Lane, Kim Suter, Paul Yaffe, Aaron Green, Paul Cox, Ron Finch; custom bikes, trade show, live music, fashion. \$16 general, \$7 for those 6–12, free for kids under 6. 800-962-9857. (DOWNTOWN)

**“Día de los Muertos: Honoring Women in History!”** Women’s History Museum events on Saturday, October 29, include sugar skull making (3:30 p.m., \$15, reservations required), community altar building (5:30 p.m.); bring photographs, mementos, favorite foods of the person you will be honoring. Opening reception for “An

# Poetry | ANGEL WITH A BOOK

## ANGEL WITH BOOK

Bear with me on this — the man at the urinal was reading a book. His fly was unzipped and the choked tip of his prick poked above the elastic strip of his white Jockey shorts — a man about sixty at a turnpike rest stop.

I came, I peed, I watched, I went, although I dawdled a little as the fellow flipped a page or two, gripping the book with both fists as his prick’s tip turned blue — an Agatha Christie mystery. Who knows how late

he stayed after I left. A minute? But I like to think he reached the end before gangrene set in. The next week I stopped by again and the man was gone, although perhaps he had been rushed away in an ambulance

just seconds before. On both days I was racing between Boston and New York with one eye on the clock and the other checking for cops, while this man had found a spot to be happy in. but I didn’t see it then for my grasp of the dark

needed a serious boost before I came to think it unimportant what he read. Still, as I returned to the automotive brawl, I was sure I’d seen

one of life’s mysteries. What depths did I reach before I understood that an angel with a green

down parka and cheap book had shown up to give me a sign? Only the routine defeats and setbacks fixed in any stumbler’s path, but not so much the failures as the attendant rush, living life like topping off a grocery list

at full speed with a busted three-wheeled cart through some Super-Jumbo’s constricted and dimly lit aisles, packed with the halt, the lame and mentally thick, which made me see at last that the fellow at the rest stop had got it right:

that the book and choked prick didn’t count, the meaning of the act offset the substance, that is, the value of self-forgetting and total obliteration of the quotidian. Who cares about the rest compared to that? Well, sad to say,

I still did, but at least I’d gotten a first-rate map for the day I hit the road again. So, angel or not, when this guy’s prick starts to rot, he gets my vote for a purple heart, even a medal of honor for his act of valor: a soldier facing battle on life’s front line.

— Stephen Dobyns, from *Mystery, So Long*; Penguin Books, 2005



Stephen Dobyns

Ofrenda” is Sunday, October 30, 5:30 p.m. at Women’s History Museum (2323 Broadway, suite 107). Community altar on display, Dawn Riggs on “To the

Cemetery and Back,” music. Free. 619-233-7963. (GOLDEN HILL)

**Freak Street at the Embarcadero** presented by Flood on Saturday, October 29, 8 p.m. to midnight. Fire breathers, stilt walkers, costume con-

test, art exhibit, music by two DJs, food. Admission: \$7, benefiting victims of famine in Malawi, Africa. 619-582-7222. (DOWNTOWN)

**Lake Hodges Artists’ Show and Sale,** Saturday and Sunday,

October 29 and 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at Appleby International Arts (9814 Carson Place, at Cortez and DeSoto, Del Dios). Local artists display all manner of recent work. Free. 760-740-9700. (ESCONDIDO)

**Beck’s Monster Bash,** Saturday, October 29, 5 p.m. to midnight, on Island Street (between Sixth and Eighth Avenues) and Seventh Avenue (between J and Market Streets). Costume contests, entertainment, food and beverages, live music. \$20. Guests must be 21. 619-233-5008. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**House of Scotland** presents lawn program at International Cottages on Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m. Admission is free; food for sale. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

**Hallowiener Dachshund Picnic** — 17th annual gathering on Sunday, October 30, noon to 3 p.m., at Park Boulevard and Presidents Way. Bring dachshunds on short leash (costumes encouraged), picnic, lawn chairs, snacks and water for canines. No fees, no competition. 858-755-9270. (BALBOA PARK)

**Celebrate Lives of Deceased Loved Ones** during Día de los Muertos festivities on Sunday, October 30, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at 300 North Coast Highway. *Ofrenda* (altar) building; food, music, dancing, educational presentations, “thousands of marigolds.” Free. 760-754-4512. (OCEANSIDE)

**Pet Halloween Parade** and pet costume contest (with six categories), Sunday, October 30, 1 to 4 p.m., at Daily Pet (12845 El Camino Real). Pet astrology, pumpkin decorating contest, pet massage, pet bakery, arts and crafts, more. Free. Registration: 858-481-2065. (DEL MAR)

**Auto Swap,** Sunday, October 30, 6 a.m., at Grossmont College

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**Time to Scream**, get your Halloween kicks at Haunted Hotel (424 Market Street) and Nightmare on Market Street (530 Market Street). Frightmare hours: 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday; 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. Hotel hours: 7 to 11 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday; 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

The Haunted Trail, an "all-outdoor haunted attraction," is open 7 to 11 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday; 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday. Find trail at Marston Point (Sixth Avenue and Juniper Street). (BALBOA PARK)

All continue through Monday, October 31. Tickets: \$12.99. Not for those under 10. 619-696-SCARE.

**Rare Scotch Tasting** with single-malt and single-cask scotches "rarely available to the general public," Tuesday, November 1, 6 p.m., at San Diego Wine and Culinary Center (200 Harbor Drive, suite 120). Finger foods accompany drinks. \$45. Reservations: 619-231-6400. (DOWNTOWN)

**Eloy Tarcisio's Muerte de todos ofrenda de participación/Death Comes to Everyone: A Participatory Offering**, opens with community reception on Tuesday, November 1, 6 p.m., at California Center for the Arts, Escondido (340 North Escondido Boulevard). Installation consists of wooden crosses, clay bowls — filled with grains, beans, and other organic materials symbolic of Mexico's pre-Hispanic past. 760-839-4170. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

**Experience a Traditional Tea Ceremony** when Sohya Ayako Stott and assistants present demonstrations, Tuesday, November 1, 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., at Japanese Friendship Garden. In-

cluded in garden admission. 619-232-2780. (BALBOA PARK)

**Barista Battle 2005** in view of judges and spectators, Thursday, November 3, 5 to 11 p.m., at Cafe Moto Roasting Factory (1220 J Street). Each barista will have 20 minutes to set up, prepare bar, create beverages, close bar; all beverages must contain prepared espresso and be alcohol free. 800-818-3363. (DOWNTOWN)

**The "Miniature Book Society's Traveling Exhibition"** is on view through November in Wangenheim Room at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-291-8800. (DOWNTOWN)

## FOR KIDS

**San Diego International Children's Film Festival** continues through Sunday, October 30, at Museum of Photographic Arts. Short and full-length feature films

from around world, filmmaking workshops, programming for teens.

Screenings begin at 9:30 a.m., with hour-long program of short films for children aged 1 and older and their families; full-length films for children and teens follow (10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily). Teen film night is Friday, October 28, at 5 and 7 p.m.

Weekend morning shorts: \$5 general, \$3 for seniors, kids, active military. All other films: \$7 general, \$5 for all others. 760-470-2481. (BALBOA PARK)

**Who's Afraid of Peter Pumpkin?** Find out during performances by comic ventriloquist Lynn Trimble through Sunday, October 30, at Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theater. Next up: *Two Fun Fables* by Puppet Express, November 2-6.

Performances Wednesday-Friday, 10 and 11:30 a.m.; 11 a.m., 1, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Find the theater near Aerospace Museum. Admission:

\$3 for children, \$4 seniors, \$5 general. 619-544-9203. (BALBOA PARK)

**It's Not Just Another Day at Enrico Fermi High** in *Zombie Prom*, next production by San Diego Junior Theatre, through November 6, in Casa del Prado Theater. Fast-paced musical is recommended for those eight and older.

Curtain rises at 7 p.m. on Fridays, 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Performance on October 29 is ASL interpreted. Tickets: \$9 to \$12 adults, \$7 to \$10 seniors and children 13 and under. Reservations: 619-239-8355. (BALBOA PARK)

**Musicals for Children...by Children**, singers, dancers, and actors aged 8-18 perform in Christian Youth Theater productions. *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* opens October 28 at Pacific Beach Middle School, continuing through November 12. Tickets: \$12 for adults, \$10 for kids

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# Reading

## Veronica



By Mary Gaitskill  
Pantheon Books, 2005; \$23; 227 pages

### FROM THE DUST JACKET:

The new novel from the author of *Bad Behavior* and *Two Girls, Fat and Thin*, *Veronica* is about flesh and spirit, vanity, mortality, and mortal affection. Set mostly in Paris and Manhattan in the 1980s, it has the moral power of a fairy tale.

As a teenager on the streets of San Francisco, Alison is discovered by a photographer and swept into the world of fashion modeling in Paris and Rome. When her career crashes and

a love affair ends disastrously, she moves to New York City to build a new life. There she meets Veronica – an older wisecracking eccentric with her own ideas about style, a proofreader who comes to work with a personal “office kit” and a plaque that reads “Still Anal After All These Years.” Improbably, the two women become friends. Their friendship will survive not only Alison’s reentry into the seductive nocturnal realm of fashion, but also Veronica’s terrible descent into the then-uncharted realm of AIDS. The memory of their friendship will continue to haunt Alison years later, when she, too, is aging and ill and is questioning the meaning of what she expe-

rienced and who she became during that time.

### WHAT THE CRITICS SAY:

From *Publishers Weekly*: Imagine that Edie Sedgwick penned a roman à clef in her 50s, and that she discovered, in her ugly, diseased decrepitude, that celebrities and downtown loft spaces and skuzzy rich hangers-on were the nadir of existence. Imagine that she managed, in her own post-trauma-addled way, to convey a beautiful-ugly portrait of this life, and the life that followed that life, a life of cleaning offices and riding public buses, in a wincingly acute manner that allowed you not only to forgive the destructiveness in which her youthful self luxuriated but view it as a real human tragedy. This is the accomplishment of *Veronica*, or rather of Alison, who is the narrator and soul-wearied subject of Mary Gaitskill’s second novel.... Gaitskill’s style is gorgeously caustic and

penetrating with a homing instinct toward the harrowing; her ability to capture abstract feelings and sensations with a precise and unexpected metaphor is a squirmy delight to encounter in such abundance.

From *Elle*: A beautiful, devastating new novel.

From *Booklist*: Gaitskill writes sexually frank and emotionally scouring tales of women on the verge and in the abyss.... Here, she again posits an improbable alliance between two women who, for all their differences, share a renegade spirit. Alison, the intriguingly ambivalent narrator, discovers at an early age that her prettiness gives her power and leaves her vulnerable.... She takes a night-shift temp job and meets Veronica, who is older, unbeautiful, not hip, and joltingly cynical. Duncan, the love of Veronica’s life, is a rampantly unfaithful bisexual who infects her with AIDS. Gaitskill perfectly evokes the ambi-

ence of the 1970s and 1980s: the trance of pop music, the ubiquitous drugs, fashion’s sado-masochistic bent, the lust for wealth, and the quiet terror of AIDS.

From *The New York Times*: Mary Gaitskill’s fierce, night-blooming new novel is about a close friendship between two women. But it should not be confused with anything cozy. Imagine a buddy story from the mind of William S. Burroughs, illustrated with images by Robert Mapplethorpe or David Cronenberg, and you get some idea of the tenderness to be found here.

### ABOUT THE AUTHOR:

Mary Gaitskill, daughter of a community college teacher, was born in Kentucky in 1954 and reared primarily in Michigan. She graduated from the University of Michigan at 24 and headed for Manhattan. Ms. Gaitskill is most recently the author of *Because They Wanted To*, which was nominated for the

PEN/Faulkner Award in 1998. Her stories and essays have appeared in *The New Yorker*, *Harper’s Magazine*, *Esquire*, *The Best American Short Stories* (1993), and *The O. Henry Prize Stories* (1998). Her story “Secretary” was the basis for the film of the same name. The recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship, she teaches creative writing at Syracuse University. She lives in New York.

### A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:

We talked, Ms. Gaitskill and I, rather haltingly at first. We admitted we were shy. We found it easier to write than to talk.

She was at home in Syracuse, where she teaches creative writing, and I was here in California.

Ms. Gaitskill confessed that when she moved to New York she immediately loved it. “I took it to it – it was right in the early ’80s, so it was a fun, interesting place. You could entertain your-

Gaitskill writes sexually frank and emotionally scouring tales of women on the verge and in the abyss....

3–19. Reservations: 619-588-0206 or 800-696-1929. (SAN DIEGO COUNTY)

**Pumpkin Fun Day** for decorating and carving pumpkins is Saturday, October 29, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Mission Hills Nursery (1525 Fort Stockton Drive). \$5 per child (must

be accompanied by an adult). 619-295-2702. (MISSION HILLS)

**Fallback Festival**, dress in costume and head back in time when Gaslamp Quarter hosts events on Sunday, October 30, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., in front of William Heath

Davis House (at Fourth Avenue and Island Street). Gold panning, pony rides, Wild West shootouts, music, ice cream- and pie-eating contests, more. Tickets: \$5, kids under 2 free. 619-233-4692 or 619-233-5008. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**Spooky Organ Music** is promised when civic organist Carol Williams performs in Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m. Children invited to dress in something spectacular for a “fancy dress parade.” Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**Halloween Festivals** offered on Monday, October 31, by County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation at Fallbrook Community Center (341 Heald Lane; 5 to 7 p.m.), Lakeside Community Center (9841 Vine Street; 4 to 7 p.m.), Spring Valley Community Center (8735 Jamacha Boulevard; 5 to 8 p.m.). Free. 858-694-3030. (FALLBROOK, LAKESIDE, SPRING VALLEY)

**Candy Buy-Back** planned by Drs. Nazli Keri and Kami Hoss, Tuesday, November 1, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., at their EastLake office,

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wheelwright shop, country kitchen and parlor, steam-operated saw mill, and 1/3-scale train. Find the museum at 2040 North Santa Fe Avenue. 760-941-1791. (VISTA)

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

**California Surf Museum**, “The Surfer-Shapers,” on exhibit through 2005, showcases several surfers whose conceptual abilities and crafting talent radically altered surfboard design. The search has always been for lighter, faster,

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self by walking around on the street, even if you had no money. It was the first place I felt at home."

For the past few years Ms. Gaitskill has taught at Syracuse. Because she'd written the introduction to the Modern Library edition of Dickens's *Bleak House*, I asked if she taught him.

No, she didn't. "I haven't had occasion to teach him because the literature course I'm teaching this coming semester is the short story. They don't force you to be too academic here, which is good because my academic education is pretty paltry. I refer to Dickens quite a bit in my creative writing classes."

"How long have you taught?"

"My very first class I taught at the 'Y,' in '89, but I don't know if that counts. I was pretty inept. I was terrified. I was so scared I could hardly talk. I seriously started teaching in '93."

"Do you think it's possible to teach someone to write?"

"No. I don't know anyone who does. It's funny. I've not yet met anyone who claims that they think that. It saddens me that now an MFA is about de rigueur. It's like anyone who feels that they're serious about writing, they feel they have to do it. That was not true when I was young. MFAs were starting to happen at that time. This is in the early '80s, but I don't think anyone felt like they had to do it. Now people do. I still cling to the belief that if a person is a real writer, the MFA program isn't going to ruin them."

"Any more than will a data-entry job."

"Right. That's why I have taught and, up until recently, have not felt guilty about teaching. Because I always did feel that if the person's not a writer, the MFA

program isn't going to make them one, but by the same token, if they are one, the MFA Program isn't going to stop them. I do think it's possible to come across a student that's on your wavelength who can learn something from you.

"I still believe that what I said is true. Something that bothers me more about the MFA programs is that I think that they created a climate regardless of what the talent level of the student is; that's the opposite of what nurtures a writer. If someone is working on their own outside of an MFA program, which is how people did it for centuries, they're always aware that they're taking a big risk in their life, and that they're alone, that there isn't anyone to guide them through it. They have supportive friends, or they may even join a writing circle, but still those things don't have the imprimatur of an official approval or an institutional support.

"I think when somebody goes into a writing program, even if they're smart, even if they know this degree doesn't mean 'I'm a writer,' the fact that they're going to a graduate program, which historically means in any other field that once they get out they'll have a degree that makes them a doctor or a lawyer, is not a great idea. Even a smart person, therefore, can go through a program like that and get the degree and consciously tell themselves, 'This doesn't mean I'm a writer,' but they still do think that. And they're (1) set up for a lot of disappointment and (2) it's, like, they're no longer in the mindset of being outside an institutional system and taking their own risks. It's like a mentality of already buying into something because they took the course. It's a deadly mentality, even if the

person is very bright and very talented."

"When I think of a 'real' writer, I will think, for instance, of Kerouac in '46, when he was working on *The Town and the City*. Each morning he would kneel before his desk and ask God to help him to write."

"I still do that sometimes."

"He would cut himself sometimes and write on the wall. In his journals, he wrote, as do many writers, of the claustrophobic loneliness of the writing room and then going out-of-doors and feeling painfully assailed by every sight, sound, odor, touch. He would feel as if he had no skin. Nobody can teach you to have no skin."

"This last group of students I had was actually quite good. They were interested in talking about that subject of looking at things and trying to see what something is. But it was foreign to what they had been thinking of before, how they thought of writing."

"Why did you name her Veronica?"

"From the beginning that was the title of it. People will read it differently. Friends who've looked at it, the thing I noticed was that to some of them Allison was by far the more interesting character. They may not have liked her as a person, but their feeling response was mainly toward her. With other people, their feeling response was toward Veronica; they were more interested in her. To me, the book is about Veronica. Allison is obviously important because you're seeing everything through her, but I can't answer it other than that.

"What's significant and what was tricky about writing the novel

was I worried I was putting too much weight on what was in fact a relatively small relationship in her life. But to me sometimes those relationships, even if they're small by the usual standard of things, they can be important if they change the people involved. Veronica, even though Allison's relationship with her may have been peculiar and small, in some ways is changed and changed in a way she's not completely aware of when she's young. But then when she's older and has a deeper understanding, she understands Veronica's position better in a way. She's become softer by being worn away."

"Certain scenes in the book frightened me."

"Which ones?"

"When Allison was coming home late, in both New York and Paris, and the streets were dark. And the S&M club scenes scared me. I felt I could hear screams. Awful."

Ms. Gaitskill did not disagree. "That scene where I describe the man crawling on the floor, I actually saw that once. I saw it a long time ago, but it stayed with me. I know that's probably a terrible thing to admit, you should never admit you're basing something on something you actually saw. But in this instance, it popped out of my mouth. It was like the most disturbing thing because it almost wasn't...it almost wasn't about sex, I didn't think.

"To me it was a picture of an obsession that had been completely wrung dry of any juice. Like obsessions can seem — it doesn't even feel wonderful because they're juicy and dripping with feeling. But once all that is wrung out, to have that horrible compulsion without any feel-

"That scene where I describe the man crawling on the floor, I actually saw that once. I saw it a long time ago, but it stayed with me."

ing to it at all, that's what I was looking at when I was looking at that guy. It was scary and sad. I felt terrible for him."

"*Veronica*, with Allison in her youth as a glossy, elegant model, and in old age as broken and unattractive, seems a book about appearance and reality."

"I don't know if I can give a very intelligent comment on that, but I know that it is important to me thematically in much of what I write, but in this book certainly.

"I actually started it, the book...I did a draft of it in the early '90s. That's when suddenly models were invented, when the whole country was completely obsessed with models. So that was one reason I picked it, simply because it was in my face all the time. But I think it was an extreme contrast between the world that Allison finds herself in when she's older and also a world of the condition that Veronica is in.

"It's almost like there's a bunch of masks, and one of them is a real face. It turns out that this real face happened in this chaos. Like, remember the scene where Allison is first starting the walk and she remembers a dream she had where these animals are being killed and reformed and

then killed again? Also connected to this is this slightly feverish colloquy about 'Keep on running. It's not a character defect; it's a disease. Keep eating. Get on the treadmill.' Something real and alive is being tormented and driven by a mad ideal, which has become the real thing."

"And which is personified with this modeling."

"I do want to say, I don't think that the modeling industry is evil. To me, it's become something that's somewhat monstrous. Obviously all cultures everywhere like adornment and style. So, I don't think in and of itself it's bad. I think it's become something rather metastasized now. But as you say, the book's not about that. And I want to say that because I'm hoping to..."

"You don't want to be picketed by models."

"I may be anyway. I actually had a model read it, because I don't know the modeling world well, although I made it my business to find out as much about it as I could.

"Believe me, I don't look anything like a model. Allison was actually 28 years old when she becomes a model, which is impos-

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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)

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# Reading

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sible. But that's how little I knew. So I did talk to a lot of models and I also talked to a photographer and a hairdresser who worked with models, and eventually I learned enough. But to be sure that I didn't have anything outrageously wrong, I showed it to a model to be sure there weren't any bloopers. She thought it was quite true to the modeling world."

Ms. Gaitskill worked for almost a decade on *Veronica*. "I wrote a draft between '92 and '93 — much more rough than I usually allow myself to do. I had a very hard time going back to it, because usually when I write a draft I'm meticulous about it. It was very crude, which I think was good, because I wanted to get a certain energy that was immediate with me at that time. But it was hard for me. For years I looked at it and I couldn't decide if I liked it or not — if it were horrible, and some of it was. You would think it was written by a talented 23-year-old, not an experienced 36-year-old who had written two books.

"I wasn't actually writing on

it for most of the time beginning in '92. I tried working on it in '94, and I wrote about 30 pages and gave up. I didn't know how to translate it into the language I was more accustomed to at that time. I couldn't tell the story of *Veronica*. So I put it aside and didn't look at it again until 2001. That's when I started work on it, and it was hard to get back into it.

"I was able to use material from the original draft and even some from the material in the '94 draft. But I put it in a different language. The imagery from the first draft was almost all the same."

*Veronica*'s father regularly plays on the record player "oldies" from the 1940s and 1950s and opera. I was always puzzled by this and asked Ms. Gaitskill why this music kept reappearing.

"It's not something that I think I can explain except that music is important throughout the book. *Veronica* talks about wanting to live like music. She refers to music often and also notices her father expressing emotion through some songs that were popular when he grew up. And she tries to relate to other people through music and is not able to do so. Like her father, she is someone who's very responsive to music. I love music, and it's fascinating to me as a mode of expression."

She laughed. "Nabokov hated music. He thought it was a low form of expression that appealed to animals and crude people. It's very strange. He didn't like it. But I think that it does appeal to people on a very fundamental or crude level, but it also does things very quickly; it articulates things in a way that's so different from words. You go places in your mind with music,

but it's so quick and so dreamlike that you couldn't write about it. I'm naturally tempted to write about it.

"So I'm giving that to Allison as a trait, this love of music. Although because she's not a writer she doesn't think of it that way."

"She talks about wanting to be a poet. Isn't that the sentimental side of her?"

"No, it's the pretentious side. She, in my mind, is not someone who could have or would have become a poet, but it's an aspiration that she has for a while. She does have a poetic side, which is different from actually being a poet. And she's someone who is deeply responsive to music, and so is her father.

"And opera, to me, I love opera. I've recently discovered that. I liked it when I was a kid. It's big, emotional music. It's great music for kids. Not all of it certainly. But stuff like *Carmen*, or *La Bohème*, which is pure, powerful, emotional music.

"To me, that was like a broader form for Allison to connect with her father and, at the end, with *Veronica* in that bigger feeling range than is allowed by popular music. Also, it creates a synergy between *Veronica* and the father because *Veronica* also loves opera. Opera also to me was appropriate for the book because opera can be sentimental. It does have the element of the false or overly theatrical or overstated, which *Veronica* has."

"Too," I said, "those questions of appearance and reality."

"Yes, big costumes, preposterous faces, voice sometimes bordering on the preposterous. That's very much *Veronica*'s style. She's that person, even though

she's a ridiculous and modest person on one level in terms of her life. But on the other hand, she's highly theatrical. That's part of why she and Allison connect, even though they appear to be very different. *Veronica*, more in a way than Allison, is somebody. Most 24-year-olds would not become friends with somebody like *Veronica* because they were older. But Allison has had experiences that most younger people don't have; and she unconsciously has an understanding of suffering and isolation that most people her age would not have, and she understands the grotesque uses of style. So even though to her *Veronica* looks awful, on another level she 'gets it' in a way that most younger people would not.

"Operatic music is so big and thundering and you can hate it for that reason or see it as absurd. *Veronica* is a melodramatic and sentimental person in some ways. But there's a genuine component to her sentimentality."

"What do you do when you're not writing?"

"Well, a lot of the time I'm not writing. If I'm not teaching, I can spend an amazing amount of time doing very little. I like to take walks. I like to read. I think hardly anybody does anymore. But I spend a lot of time when I don't even know what I'm doing. I was in a community theater production of a children's play of *A Christmas Carol* last winter. Which was quite serious and required that I rehearse; we started in September and we rehearsed two times a week. One month before the actual performance we were rehearsing four times a week. The week before the performance we rehearsed every night. From a two-to-four-hour rehearsal. So that

"It's difficult to read *Veronica* and imagine that you're ever happy."

took up a lot of time. I definitely knew what I was doing then.

"I played a lot of small parts. The biggest parts were for the kids, because it's mainly for children. I was the head charity lady. I was a drunken sailor. I was a miner. I was Belle when she's older. I also played a tormented spirit. I had a good time. It was a musical, so there's a lot of singing and dancing."

"It's difficult to read *Veronica* and imagine that you're ever happy."

"Even if you are a sad person, overall — and I have gone through periods in my life when I was very sad and very depressed — I think that if you observe things, it takes you out of it for a minute. Because if you're looking and being interested and fascinated, there is so much beauty in the world; it's hard to be sad while you're doing that.

"I was worried about the end being sentimental. I felt like I was going out on a limb emotionally that I don't usually go out on. So it felt uncomfortable to me. I also worried that I was giving Alison's life a false redemption. But it isn't; she's entitled to have those thoughts and feelings at the end, regardless of what the reader thinks of them. I would not have written an ending like that ten years ago."

"You weren't old enough."

"Exactly. That's exactly what

I think. Things that would have seemed sentimental to me in the past don't now. I spent brain cells wondering if people become more sentimental when they get older, and then recently I read *Mrs. Dalloway*. I can't find it in my bookshelf, so I can't quote it exactly, but at the end, they're having a conversation at the party and they're talking about the difference between young people and middle-aged people, and someone, I think it's Mrs. Dalloway, says, 'Because when you get older you feel more.'

"Around the time I started writing this book, I was starting to experience hormonal changes. I couldn't think as logically as I had in the past. My mind would wander crazily all over the place. It upset me and worried me. I had trouble writing and trouble focusing. If you notice, there's been a long time since my last book, which was 1997.

"I was having trouble writing anything or finishing anything. I thought, 'I've lost it.' But in *Veronica*, I decided to go with it and let myself make connections that were tangential and make transitions that were hinged on a certain word. When Beckett's Godot, for instance, was puttering happily about in his own abyss, he was brilliant. I think whether you're a genius or not, that's when anyone almost is going to be the strongest." — *Judith Moore*

Find the museum at 404 Third Avenue (at J Street). 619-338-9888. (DOWNTOWN)

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

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

**Gemological Institute of America Museum**, permanent exhibits include displays depicting science and art of gemstones and history, lore and cultural significance of jewelry. Find the GIA at 5345 Armada Drive. Required reservations: 800-421-7250 x4116. (CARLSBAD)

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

tured attraction is an "Industrial Product Collection," with examples of the historical progression of auto technology from 1886-1915, with "some classics and a concept car."

Find the museum at 4233 Park Boulevard. 619-296-3112. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

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

LC Lane. Free. 760-476-1042. (CARLSBAD)

**Marine Corps Recruit Depot Museum**, "The Battle of Fallujah: The Essence of War as Seen Through the Eyes of Photojournalist Sergeant Joel Chaverri" is on view through October.

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

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# Kings of Corn

*The Maya envisioned the earth's surface as a turtle's carapace or crocodile's back.*

I've seen three big exhibitions of Maya art in the past few years, and several objects that appeared in all of them have become familiar to me. Familiar but still utterly remote, not because their meaning is unintelligible — one can comprehend, for instance, why the Maya identified kingship with maize, their sustaining crop, and the Maize God — but because there's no continuity between the

Maya vision of the cosmos, which determined the meaning of every piece of reality, and our own. The more I learn about it, the stranger it becomes. More on this later.

The most recent exhibition, *Lords of Creation: The Origins of Sacred Maya Kingship*, on view at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, tracks and illustrates the development of the idea of divine kingship from Olmec culture of the first millennium B.C. through the classic period of Maya civilization, which flourished in the Yucatan, Guatemala, Honduras, and Belize between 200 A.D. and 700 A.D. It's hard to keep pace with the information unearthed practically every day at archeological digs, but this exhibition seems to be as current as possible in its scholarship and coverage. There's much to be learned here, but I admit it takes some effort to absorb the complexities of the Maya worldview. The simple visual thrill of all those electric blues and ochres, and the sculptural genius on display, will certainly suffice for most viewers. We can take pleasure from these artifacts and even comprehend their import for the Maya, but we can't really experience their meanings. Our Western European formations impede us.

The city-states that composed the Maya kingdom shared a vision of the universe as a tightly drawn network of sacred relatedness, at the center of which was the lord. That vision was expressed in the culture's artifacts, its bowls, censers, jewelry, masks, and other ritual objects. Maya lords possessed secular and divine authority, and the survival of Maya society depended crucially on their successful intercession with the gods to secure agricultural fertility. Often dressed in the guise of the Maize God, with elaborate headdresses featuring cobs, corn silk, and the trefoil that symbolized the plant, lords performed rituals that opened channels between the human and divine orders. The rituals, which involved trances induced by hallucinogens or bloodletting, were often danced, and the dancing lord is a recurrent Maya motif. One bright, earth-orange bowl pictures a king, legs spread wide, feet stoutly planted on the ground, performing a pro-

pitatory dance. You can practically visualize his feet stomping up dust.

The Maya depicted their vision of reality in objects of every size and shape, from monumental statuary to ear ornaments and amulets.

Their cosmos was a porous vertical column in which elements — animal, human, vegetal, and celestial — are in a more or less constant state of transformation.

Animal power was everywhere. The Maya envisioned the earth's surface as turtle's carapace or crocodile's back, the shells or plates floating on a body of water barely visible through the cracks. Kings used as divination tools mirrors made of polished stones, set in a mosaic pattern that imitated a turtle's shell; such mirrors were also trance instruments and were buried with lords to assure their rebirth. A lord's life cycle followed that of the maize plant: insemination, birth, death, and return. One of the many stunning objects in the show is a seven-foot-high granite stela from Guatemala: a lord costumed as the Sun God, essential to the maize plant, stands on the watery underworld and rises via an elaborate winged headdress to the supernatural overworld. The figure, carved in rosy, tubular relief like much Maya sculpture, is at once artful, sacred, and archival.

A much smaller object, a 3" x 3" tablet of mottled greenstone, bears an incised coral-red inscription, a column of signs that, read top to bottom, depict the cosmic order. The square greenstone, whose corners mark the four cardinal directions, is the ocean. Topmost on its surface is the "sky-house" of the north, under which stands a maize plant. At its root is a stepped mountain symbolizing the earth; the stepped structure also resembles the architecture of Maya cities. (The hipbone's connected to the thighbone.) That maize stalk, which connects earth to sky and holds the universe together, is the *axis mundi*, the vertical column or "world tree" common to many early cultures. The delicious finishing touch, though, are the three little circles under the tree that represent the stones of the cosmic hearth where the gods first erected the tree at the center of creation. (One statue in the exhibition shows the Maize God leaning down to lift the tree.) The tablet, no bigger than a BlackBerry, expresses the Maya vision that everything is connected to everything else.

I have a middle-aged friend who still won't watch the scene in *The Wolf Man* where Lon Chaney, Jr., is transformed into his animal "other." It terrified him as a child and still gives

him the willies. He's not alone. Unlike the Maya, we don't have a shared culture of belief in essential ongoing transformations. For them the central human transformation was that of the lord, who in his trance states became another order of being, sometimes supernatural, sometimes animal. He usually turned into a jaguar, the power creature. A fist-sized carving designated "Transformation Figure," most likely a lord in the process of changing into a crouched jaguar, raised the hairs on my neck. It's a bundle of concentrated formal energy, like a Brancusi sculpture, but its sacred meaning seems like a terrifying force coiled inside the stone.

These artifacts are of course unattributed, and the anonymity contributes to the massive communal conviction encoded into even small turtle-shaped ornaments, or censers mounted on legs shaped like peccaries — peccaries were associated with the pillars supporting the cosmos and were the Maya equivalent of our Gemini constellation. How far did anonymous production extend? I once saw tile-sized bricks discovered at a brickworks in a city-state site in Guatemala. They were incised with drawings — a sun, a face, a glyph of some kind, and a parasol(!) — sketched by the brick makers, who knew very well that their drawings would be forever covered once the bricks were laid.

*Lords of Creation* is concisely structured and instructive in all sorts of ways, even if, as I said earlier, the closer you get to Maya consciousness, the stranger and more remote it seems, because we've lived for so many centuries in a Western tradition that atomizes the world. For us, individuation rules, and nothing is more contrary to Maya belief. What we do bring to these objects is an aesthetic sense, and the pleasures to be gotten are many. A seated divination figure, eyes bugging out from his head, leans forward, pitching himself into a trance state, tongue protruding between his lips. He has jaguar ears, as if in the



Mexico, Campeche, 200–600 AD

**Lords of Creation: The Origins of Sacred Maya Kingship** is on view at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art until January 2, 2006.

process of transformation. On an oblong jadeite slab floats a king dressed as the Maize God, as if suspended in a trance state or positioned for supernatural flight. And there's a death mask that sums up the Maya concept of human existence and death. In the beginning, gods made humans by pasting together yellow and white maize and sacrificed their own blood to infuse humans with life, which is why a king's bloodletting was the ultimate act of reciprocity. The gods gave humans a "breath soul," what we would call the life force. A funerary mask from A.D. 200-600, a mosaic of jadeite tiles, shows — in the form of tiny carved shells curling out from the sides of the mouth — the breath soul leaving the body. It's one of the few objects in the show that immediately break down in meaning and spill over into universal human experience. Anyone who has sat vigil has heard the breath soul leave the body. You can also share Maya consciousness at the next full moon by looking up and seeing there not the shape of a man but, as they did, the profile of a rabbit. ■

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## GALLERIES

**"In the Spirit of Día de los Muertos:** Alternative Altar Creations" go on view with reception, Friday, October 28, 6:30 p.m., at Mixed Media Art Gallery (4576 Federal Boulevard). 619-527-2508. Closes Saturday, November 12. (SAN DIEGO)

**San Diego Ceramic Connection** hosts "handcrafted jewelry extravaganza" with pieces created by local designers, opening with reception, Friday, October 28, 6 p.m. Show continues through Sunday, October 30. Find Connection at 3216 Thorn Street. 619-281-CLAY. (NORTH PARK)

**"Gathering Light,"** recent works by seven artists are on exhibit at Galerie d'Art International (320 South Cedros Avenue, suite 500) — opening reception is Friday, October 28, 6 p.m. 858-793-0316. Through Sunday, December 4. (SOLANA BEACH)

**"The Artistic and Autistic Abilities** of Mark Rimland" showcased in exhibit opening with reception on Saturday, October 29, 1 p.m., at Front Porch Gallery (2903 Carlsbad Boulevard). Closes Sunday, January 29, 2006. 760-795-6120. (CARLSBAD)



Honduras, Copan, 450–500 AD

**New Images** premiered by Thomas D. Mangelsen during reception on Saturday, October 29, 5 p.m., at Images of Nature Gallery (7916 Girard Avenue). 858-551-9553. (LA JOLLA)

**"La Nueva Grafica,"** political posters by Favianna Rodriguez and Jesus Barraza of the Taller Tupac Amaru are on view through Tuesday, November 15, in San Diego Mesa College Art Gallery (D-104). Posters in series comment on national, international grassroots struggles. Reception on Wednesday, November 2, at 4:30 p.m., is followed by artists' lecture at 7 p.m. in LRC room 435. Find campus at 7250 Mesa College Drive. 619-388-2829. (KEARNY MESA)

## ART MUSEUMS

**California Center for the Arts Museum,** time for Eloy Tarcisio's tenth annual site-specific installation *Muerte de todos ofrenda de participación*/Death Comes to Everyone: A Participatory Offering. Opening community reception, Tuesday, November 1, 6 p.m. Installation includes wooden crosses,

clay bowls — filled with grains, beans, and other organic materials symbolic of Mexico's pre-Hispanic past. Through November.

The museum is located at 340 North Escondido Boulevard; 760-839-4120. (ESCONDIDO)

**Mingei International Museum,** "Norway — Art of the Land and the People" celebrates 100 years of Norwegian independence. Exhibit includes arts of daily life such as metalwork, jewelry, *bunads* (festival costumes), textiles, *rosemaling* (decorated pottery and furniture), and Norwegian-American immigrant chests from 18th Century. Closes on Sunday, May 21, 2006.

Art and significance of Japanese dolls from the Edo period showcased in "Ningyô: The Art of the Japanese Doll." As cultural artifacts, *ningyô* embody the customs, tastes, fashions, and politics of the time. Through Sunday, January 29, 2006.

"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 May 2006.



Guatemala, Kaminaljuyu, 200–50 BC

The Mingei is located on square with San Diego Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

**Mingei International Museum, North County Satellite,** "Timeless Glass — From Byzantine to Dale Chihuly," includes a blown-glass chandelier, *macchias*, and sea forms by Chihuly; objects from Venini glass factory in Venice, art glass by contemporary artists including Italo Scanga, William Gudenrath, work by Louis Comfort Tiffany, examples of ancient Egyptian, pre-Roman, Roman, and Islamic glass. Through Sunday, February 19, 2006.

"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. Ongoing. Find the museum at 155 West Grand Avenue. 760-735-3355. (ESCONDIDO)

**Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, Downtown,** WriterzBlok is a collective of artists offering youth of Southeast San Diego technical skills in visual arts, opportunities to learn about aerosol painting through educa-

tional programs. Through Sunday, December 11, view murals by WriterzBlok's artists in lobby and Fayman Galleries, augmenting their banner project on museum's Jacobs Building construction fence on Kettner Boulevard.

"Cerca Series: Michael Arcega" surveys artist's "diverse output from wall drawings" made from computer spam to delicate drawings made with human hair and his most recent project *El Conquistadork*. Bay Area artist is "obsessed with ships and wordplay." Exhibit closes Sunday, December 11.

*Twelve* is a new video installation by Barbara Kruger addressing themes of power, society, culture, family, and relationships. Experience the piece, projected individually on four walls, through Sunday, December 11.

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,** over four decades of work made by artists from Los Angeles to the Mexican border showcased in "Southern Exposure," continuing through December. Some of the art is politically motivated, some is concerned with formal considerations. Highlights include important early works by John Baldessari, Ed Ruscha, Robert Irwin.

Raymond Pettibon's work, often showing darker side of society and American hypocrisies, is on view through Sunday, September 3, 2006. Pettibon — known for "his idiosyncratic renderings and room-sized installations" — exhibits a large-scale wall drawing.

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

**Museum of Photographic Arts,** more than 250 works of photography revealing "tumultuous history of the representation of race in America" gathered in "Only Skin Deep: Changing Visions of the American Self," on view concurrently at Museum of Photographic Arts and San Diego Museum of Art. Exhibition spans wide range of genres and movements, with pieces dating from mid-19th Century to present, con-

tinuing at both museums through December.

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

**Oceanside Museum of Art,** "Borderless Dreams," with work by Laura Alvarez, Ruben Ochoa, and Perry Vasquez, continues through Sunday, October 30. Find the museum at 704 Pier View Way; 760-721-2787. (OCEANSIDE)

**San Diego Museum of Art,** "Domains of Wonder: Selected Masterworks of Indian Painting" may be seen through Sunday, January 22, 2006. Exhibit features 124 paintings, two bound manuscripts from museum's Edwin Binney 3rd Collection, ranging from 14th through late 19th Century. Concurrently: "Indian Colours," exploring materials, pigments, tools, techniques of Indian painting used by South Asian artists to create the intricately detailed paintings on display.

"Farsites: Urban Crisis and Domestic Symptoms in Recent Contemporary Art" — binational show boasts diverse collection of work by nearly 50 artists. Collaborative exhibition with Centro Cultural de Tijuana (CECUT) and in-Site features painting, sculpture, photography, video addressing "moments of crisis and fissure affecting everyday urban and domestic spaces." Through Sunday, November 13.

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Paintings, sculptures, and objects from Nepal, Tibet, and India featured in "Devotional Arts of Nepal." Buddhism and Hinduism have "enjoyed a peaceful coexistence for over 1500 years" in Nepal's Kathmandu Valley; exhibit "explores fruits of this commingling." Closes Sunday, April 2, 2006.

For further information, call 619-232-7931. (BALBOA PARK)

**David Gray** Oct. 27  
**Judas Priest** Oct. 29  
**WWE Raw** Nov. 1  
**Def Leppard/ Bryan Adams** Nov. 4  
**Death Cab For Cutie** Nov. 9  
**B.B. King** Nov. 10  
**Clay Aiken** Nov. 11  
**Art Laboe** Nov. 11  
**James Brown** Nov. 15  
**Staind** Nov. 15  
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**Lewis Black** Nov. 19  
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**Jason Mraz** Nov. 26  
**Dave Koz** Nov. 27  
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November 16



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**Kelly Clarkson** Dec. 11  
**Peter White** Dec. 23

**"Mamma Mia"** thru Oct. 30  
**Michael Flatley**  
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## CLASSICAL MUSIC

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**The Gilbert and Sullivan Classic** *The Mikado* launches new season at new venue for Lyric Opera San Diego. *Mikado* offers blend of English satire and Japanese exotica, opening originally in 1885.

Performances at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, Saturday; 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, through October 30, at Stephen and Mary Birch North Park Theatre (2895 University Avenue). Tickets: \$26-\$40. 619-239-8836. (NORTH PARK)

**Early Music Concerts** by Nota Bene, Thursday, October 27, 12:15 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Concert is repeated on Saturday, October 29, 8 p.m. \$10 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)

**Renowned American Harpsichordist** Jory Vinikour presents program with pieces by Byrd, Bull, Kerll, Meltzer, Rameau, and Scarlatti, Friday, October 28, 8 p.m., at La Jolla Congregational Church (1216 Cave Street). \$15 general. 619-840-3416. (LA JOLLA)

**"The Three-Cornered Hat**, Suite No. 1" by De Falla is on program when guitarist Jason Vieaux joins San Diego Symphony, led by Stefan Sanderling, in concerts October 28-30. Program includes pieces by Villa-Lobos, Ravel.

These "Jacobs' Masterworks" concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Friday

and Saturday, 2 p.m. on Sunday in Copley Symphony Hall (750 B Street). Tickets: \$20 to \$85. Reservations: 619-235-0804.

(DOWNTOWN)

**Computer Music Concert** celebrating opening of Calit2 Building (on Voight Drive, Warren College) at UCSD is Friday, October 28, 7 p.m. Program includes pieces by UCSD music students Momilani Ramstrum, Shlomo Dubnov; group improvisation by David Borgo, Fox Harrell, Joseph Goguen, Ryoko Amadee Goguen, Bertram Turetzky. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

**The Trio di Parma** performs works by Haydn, Liszt, Beethoven in concert on Friday, October 28, 8 p.m., at the Neurosciences Institute (10640 John Jay Hopkins Drive). \$34. 858-534-TIXS. (LA JOLLA)

**"Un Canto a Mexico — A Mexican Serenade"** is offered by La Jolla Symphony and Chorus, October 29 and 30. Premiere of song cycle by Jeff Nevin (trumpet) based on poetry of Alberto Blanco, with soprano Monica Abrego is on program, along with pieces by Chavez, Revueltas, Lara, Grever, Ponce, Galindo. Concerts begin at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 3 p.m. on Sunday, in UCSD's Mandeville Auditorium. \$25 general. 858-534-4637. (LA JOLLA)

**Spooky Organ Music** is promised when civic organist Carol Williams performs in Spreckels Organ Pavilion, Sunday, October 30, 2 p.m.

Children invited to dress in something spectacular for a "fancy dress parade." Free. 619-702-8138. (BALBOA PARK)

**Third-Year Composition Forum** with pieces by graduate composers Richard Snow, Nathan Brock, Kuei-ju Lin is Monday, October 31, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

**Spooky Music** on tap when Bozart Bassoon Trio presents mini-concert at noon on Monday, October 31, at Athenaeum Music and Arts Library (1008 Wall Street). 858-454-5872. Free. (LA JOLLA)

**Works by Graduate Composers**, performers, and scholars promised during Graduate Student Forum, Tuesday, November 1, 8 p.m., in Recital Hall at UCSD's Mandeville Center. Free. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

**Palomar Women's Chorus** and Palomar Chamber Singers perform for Concert Hour series on Thursday, November 3, 12:30 p.m., in Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10 at 1140 West Mission Road). Free. 760-744-1150 x2316. (SAN MARCOS)

**SONOR**, the graduate student and faculty ensemble at UCSD, performs pieces by Roger Reynolds, Mabry, and "guided improvisation" spotlighting Mark Dresser, Thursday, November 3, 8 p.m., Mandeville Recital Hall at UCSD. \$8. 858-534-4830. (LA JOLLA)

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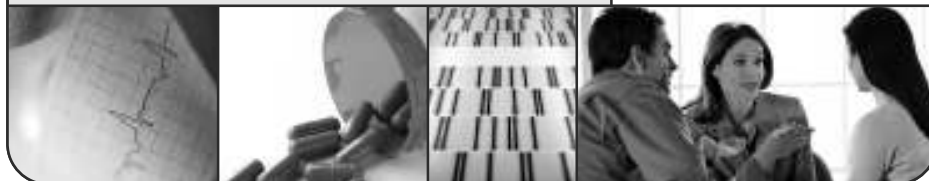
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**Ain't We Got Fun?** "We knew something went wrong when we heard them announce 'bright star' on the ship's P.A.; that's ship jargon

Stoopid. Phillips says he wondered if 2000 \$800 tickets could be sold. "But it was a huge success. Flaming Lips did their big ball thing in the ballroom. The whole thing was a sensory experience. They had the vaudeville circus acts like they have at Burning Man [an annual outdoor festival in the Nevada desert]."

says he won't comment on specifics of the death out of respect for the person's family. Turley says his company "absolutely" wants to organize another Xingolati cruise.

"It was an incredible event. Two couples were engaged to be married. It was a spiritual experience for many people on the cruise."

— Ken Leighton

# blurt

the inside track

for medical emergency," says an insider connected with the Xingolati Groove Cruise that took off from Long Beach

October 14. Before the vessel's return voyage from Ensenada, someone overdosed in a cabin and died.

"It was Saturday morning when they found the body," says the insider. An investigation delayed the departure from Ensenada for two hours.

The cruise was a sell-out; 2000 people paid as much as \$1000 to see the Flaming Lips; G Love; Medeski, Martin and Wood; and locals Slightly Stoopid.

"We were skeptical about the cruise from the beginning," says Jon Phillips, co-manager of Slightly

People were wearing costumes. It was nothing but fun; it wasn't one of those all-out drug things."



LIGHTING IT UP ON THE GOOD SHIP

The inside source says, "When we went through the terminal in Long Beach, they said they would be very strict with drugs. The Xingolati people were on the docks warning people to not bring anything because drug-sniffing dogs would be on board."

Guy Grand Promotions chartered the *Paradise* from Carnival Cruise Lines. Guy Grand spokesman Neil Turley

**Little Girl Power** The pre-pubescent gals in Smoosh made history October 19 when they became the youngest band ever to play the Casbah. After their set, they were probably the first band to play hide and seek and tag on Kettner Boulevard.

When I arrived at the Casbah, I noticed 13-year-old Asya (keyboards/vocals) and her 11-year-old sister Chloe (drums/vocals) cooped up and chatting inside their tour van. They weren't allowed inside. I ran into their father, Mike, and he laughed it off.

"They don't want them inside pounding drinks," he deadpanned. The minute Smoosh was done opening for Brit buzz band the Go! Team, Casbah staff whisked the two girls out.

Smoosh formed a few years ago in Seattle at the prodding of Death Cab for Cutie's Jason McGerr, who teaches Chloe drums and recorded their yet-to-be-released follow-up to last year's *She Like Electric*. They've since shared the stage with Pearl Jam, Sleater-Kinney, and Jimmy Eat World.

Smoosh wowed a Casbah crowd saturated with a higher-than-normal amount of 30- to 40-year-old married couples, many of whom

wanted autographs or pictures taken with the girls. Though it wasn't as creepy as all of the middle-aged men



CHLOE AND ASYA BUST OUT OF THE VAN

going crazy over Japan's Afrirampo in July, it still weirded me out.

Other highlights of the show included the playful hip-hop of "Rad" and the "In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida"-laced "La Pump." The Go! Team wasn't half bad either.

— Jeremiah Griffey

**Contagious Rap** Yung Tage says he has a couple of ways to make sure his Saturday show goes off. First:

only wear dressy white or cream-colored clothes.

"We got it from Puff Daddy. It's an elegant thing. Gangsters may come, but if you're wearing white, the chances of people fighting are less. If a troublemaker does come in and wears white, he'll look

stupid if he causes problems.... I've already been told by a lot of people, 'Dude, I can't wear white.' 'Perfect. If you're too good to wear white, I don't need you. No, thank you.' We're trying to get an older, 25- to 35-year-old crowd. Grown folks don't want to go to a club where guys are wearing dickies and wife-beaters."

Another hook: he's mixing hip-hop with comedy.

"I don't think it's been done before. Get tired of dancing? Go laugh at the comedians."

Tage ("It's short for contagious") has a van and car (an '83 Chevy Caprice) wrapped with artwork that promotes himself, other rappers, and his sponsors.

"I have been pulled over five times by police. When I asked why I was pulled over, they always give the response like I was distracting the view.... The one time I got a ticket was because of an air-freshener tree on my rear-view mirror. [The case] was thrown out of court."

Born Derrell Harper 27 years ago, Tage says he has had to self-promote.



TAGE WANTS TO PLAY TO GROWN FOLKS

"Nine times out of ten, an artist has a manager. I'm my own manager. I've had to book my own shows.... I'm

doing this show [Saturday in San Marcos] because there are no clubs in North County [that regularly host live hip-hop]."

*Truth About Me*, Tage's first CD, references street realities in his hometown.

"I sell Oceanside. It's automatically a problem when I sell my CD in San Diego. There are a lot of Bloods in San Diego; it's mostly Crips in Oceanside. But when they hear the music, I get a pass. I don't glorify the Crips or gang violence, period."

Yung Tage appears Saturday, November 5, at the Longshot Saloon in San Marcos with comedians Donovan Kuntury and Jahmaine.

— Ken Leighton

**"Dirty politicians, old whores,"** and ugly buildings all get respect if they last long enough." Deadbolt singer/guitarist Harley Davidson says John Huston's line in *Chinatown* applies to his band. Formed in 1990, Deadbolt is the last SD band left from the early '90s, says Davidson.

"Now that Rocket from the Crypt is breaking up, we're the last band left from that era when San Diego was 'the next Seattle.' Back when everybody was getting signed.... We kind of take it as a hobby. Some guys like to make origami or piñatas. Some guys play golf. We're in it for the beer and the travel."

Deadbolt survives as a modular band, with first-, second-, and third-string bassists and drummers.

"We're the only original band still on Cargo," says Davidson about the local label that first released Rocket

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and blink-182 records. All eight Deadbolt discs have been on Cargo. "Our ninth album should be out soon.



DAVIDSON STILL FIRES ON TWO CYLINDERS

It's called *I Should Have Killed You.*

Deadbolt never strayed from its "voodoobilly" aesthetic.

"We still have the snake dance and the karate demonstration and the power tools, and we still insult people.... Rockabilly is Peggy Sue at the malt shop; psychobilly is a crazy killer from outer space; voodoobilly is the darker, creepier side of the 'billy family. We're the side with the missing teeth."

Rocket from the Crypt, Gluecifer, and Deadbolt appear Monday night at the Westin Hotel. It is sold out.

— Ken Leighton

**Hacker Pride** Norwegian hacker DVD Jon has taken up residence in San Diego to

work for MP3tunes founder Michael Robertson. The 21-year-old (real name, Jon Lech Johansen) made headlines during the past few years for writing and releasing programs that override copyright protections placed on digital music and movies.

New laws in Norway (where he's already faced prosecution) make DVD Jon more vulnerable to legal entanglement. He told Wired News, "I'm not scared about

being arrested now that I'm here [in San Diego]. Michael has good lawyers." Among DVD Jon's hacks are free programs that crack Apple's AAC audio format (iTunes' encryption systems) and

the Windows Media Player codec for streaming video, both found on his blog "So Sue Me."

"I hired [DVD Jon] for Obeo, a significant new project at MP3tunes," wrote

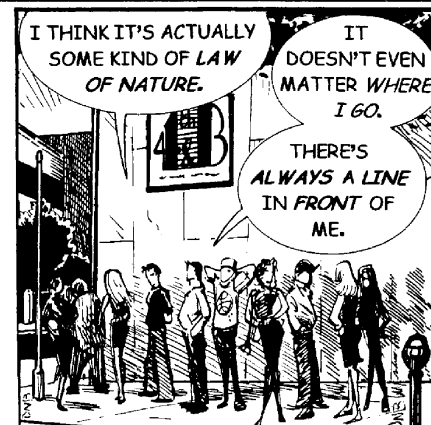


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Robertson in a post on his company's website. "Obeo will bring digital music into the 21st Century." Details are unclear, but DVD Jon's specialty is reverse engineering; i.e., figuring out how technology by other

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companies works. Insiders believe that DVD Jon's first project will be to decipher Helix, the DRM (digital rights management) system used by RealNetworks, unavailable in Norway and one of the few major DRM programs he hasn't cracked.

— Jay Allen Sanford

**Warning: Anthrax**

"We've played every place there is to play in San Diego," says Anthrax drummer Charlie Benante. "The arena, that outdoor place at the college, and...what's that place, hotter than hell with the walls melting...Soma, we played there."

The last time this town saw the "classic" Anthrax lineup of Benante, Scott Ian, and Frank Bello with long-estranged singer Joey Belladonna and guitarist-turned-Christian-watchmaker Dan Spitz was 1991.

"We almost never do acoustic performances, but

[in 1991] some radio station down there talked us into it. I don't know how; it must have been too much sunshine and tequila."

I ask Benante about the status of Belladonna's replacement singer, John Bush, and guitarist Rob Caggiano, who took Spitz's place up until the reunion.

"We're not really talking



SOMETIMES, ANTHRAX DOESN'T ROCK

about that yet. Anything could happen. We're just doing what we're doing for now; we haven't booted [Bush and Caggiano] from the band or anything." Anthrax appears Saturday night at the Sports Arena with Judas Priest, the second to last gig of a lengthy reunion tour.

— Jay Allen Sanford

**Terrestrial Talk** Classic rock hits of Steve Miller and

Journey were snuffed off the air at the Planet (KPLN 103.7-FM) on Tuesday. Industry magazines had said Infinity/CBS, which owns the Planet, would create a nationwide network of FM talk stations called "Free FM."

"When you hear 'Free FM' on the radio, they are talking about me," commented Howard Stern on his show last week. Stern's syndicated program, which had been broadcast locally by the Planet, will move to the satellite-delivered Sirius network at the beginning of next year. The name "Free FM" is a reminder that, unlike Sirius, programs are receivable without a monthly fee.

The Stern show was replaced on Tuesday by a morning show hosted by Adam Carolla. Jim McInnes, afternoon DJ on the Planet, has been part of local radio since 1974, when he joined KGB. It is unclear what his role will be at Free FM 103.7. His afternoon DJ shift was replaced by ribald sex-talk host Tom Leykis.

The new 103.7 will carry talk all day, Monday through Friday, and classic rock on weekends.

For eight years, San Diego had two classic rock stations: the Planet and Clear Channel-owned KGB. Among listeners aged 25–54, KGB is currently rated



STERN BOOTED FROM PLANET

number one by Arbitron; the Planet ranks 14th.

FM talk stations can make more money than music stations because they run more commercials per hour than music stations.

— Ken Leighton

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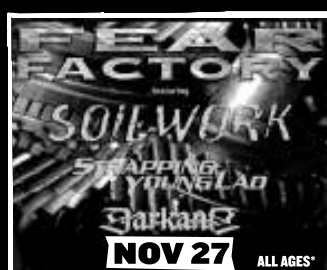
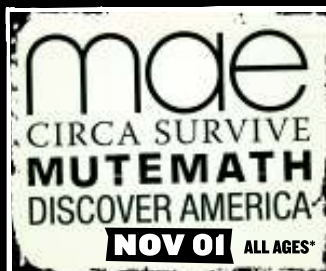




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*"It took me three hours that night to adjust the bridge and deal with the strings."*

**T**he upright bass is the most organic instrument you could get your hands on," said Cecil Bowman at Guitar Trader on El Cajon Boulevard. This was three years ago.

"You'll have fun," he continued, taking my down payment for a used instrument priced at \$900. It was white and somewhat scratched and dented (in a good, "vintage" way). I figured it would take me four months to pay it off.

My girlfriend at the time wasn't keen on the purchase. "Don't you have enough guitars and stuff?" she said.

"I can never have enough."

"There's no room at home."

"Not in our last apartment, no, but in the new one..."

She rolled her eyes and groaned. "It's a beast. I'll name it 'Beastie.'"

"I'm serious about this instrument," I said. And I was, so much so that when a big check came in six weeks later I immediately went to Guitar Trader to make a full payment.

"We accidentally sold it," I was told. "It was never moved to the back or marked as sold, and someone bought it."

I think I cursed.

"Tell you what," said Cecil Bowman, "I have one here, it's new, it's about \$75 more than the other one. You can take that..."

This bass was dark brown and in better shape than the white one. I agreed. Bowman said he needed fifteen minutes to set it up — adjusting the bridge, tightening the strings. "How do you like your action?" he asked. "Do you play jazz, or are you one of those rockabilly guys and like to pluck your strings and slap the fingerboard?"

"I'm not sure," I said.

"Beginner?"

"I've played the electric bass for 15 years."

"I'll make it somewhere in between."

My girlfriend showed up in her truck, and we put my new purchase in the back. The wooden bridge and strings collapsed. I thought it was defective. I took the bridge back into the store and asked one of the salesmen, "Do I need glue to keep it in place?"

He laughed. "You don't want to glue it down, buddy. Never do that. Cecil didn't tighten the strings hard enough." Cecil had left for lunch, and I didn't feel like waiting for him.

It took me three hours that night to adjust the bridge and deal with the strings, which refused to stay in tune. It wasn't until they became tight and

stable that they would remain tuned for long. For half a year I practiced and discovered that on any given day the bass would sound different — depending on the weather outside, the temperature in the apartment, and how much ambient sound was in the neighborhood.

## INTERVIEW

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I didn't think it was loud, but my girlfriend assured me she could hear the *thump-thump-thumpa* as she pulled into the driveway. Occasionally the instrument would make odd creaking sounds on its own. One night the sound was like a moan and the tail pin broke, releasing all the strings and the bridge.

I got another tail pin online. The strings took another week to get in reasonable tune. When one of the strings later snapped (nearly hitting my right eye), the other three strings again went out of tune. When I changed the strings from steel to nylon (easier on the fingers), the wooden bridge broke in half. I learned that there was no uniform bridge — each bass had to have its own, individually adjusted. I took the instrument back to Guitar Trader for them to sand down a bridge that was right for me; \$59 for the wood, \$30 for the labor.

Lugging my upright to jam sessions, studio work, and auditions proved to be a pain in the ass, and I would need at least 20 minutes to deal with the bridge, the strings, the tuning, and the way the bass sounded in the current environment.

Chris Klich, of the Chris Klich Jazz Quintet, nodded when I told him about all this. "I wish I could remember the last name of the bass player who played with Earl Thomas when we all went up to Slim's in San Francisco to play a gig. His name is Chris, too, but for the life of me, I can't remember his last name. Anyway, while we were driving up, the weather started getting colder, and I remember we had to pull over on the side of the freeway so he could go up and loosen the strings so that they wouldn't cause the neck of his bass to break. It was strapped to the top of the van."

I talked to a few local upright bass players, Ben Wanicur, Steven Wilson, and Larry Kent, about their instrument of choice.

## WHAT BAND DO YOU PLAY IN?

**Ben:** "I have been freelancing on the jazz scene since I moved to San Diego eight years ago. Freelancing means that you don't really play in any one band. I have worked with Joe Marillo, Gilbert Castellanos, Hollis Gentry, Mikan Zlatkovich..."

**Steven:** "A psychobilly group called Found in Translation. Zombies, death, hell, booze, and

women — all the usual subjects in the genre." **Larry:** "I mostly do studio work, no gigging, and it's usually bluegrass and the occasional classical thing."

## WHAT BRAND IS YOUR UPRIGHT, AND WHAT KIND OF STRINGS DO YOU USE?

**Ben:** "I've been told that my bass was probably made in the 1940s or 1950s. It was probably made in Germany or the Czech Republic. Honestly, I really have no idea. It sounds great, though. I usually use Spirocore bass strings."

**Steven:** "I have a hot firebird red-and-white one from King Doublebass. Cost me, like, \$2800 with a chrome tailpiece and worth every penny. This creature rocks something hard. For a backup I have some piece of junk I got in a pawn shop for, like, \$350. Haven't had to use it in any kind of emergency yet, but it's always good to know that it is there."

I use green Weed Whacker strings — really, these strings are made from that same tough nylon used for trimming lawn grass, though thicker. I have no idea who makes them. I got a couple sets off eBay."

**Larry:** "I have several basses here at home, from a P ö l m a n n (\$13,000) to a very beat-up 1950s Kay bass (\$1100) to one I had especially made for me by *wishbass.com* (\$1800). I generally use LaBella gut strings. They're reliable."

## TRICKIEST PROBLEM TRAVELING WITH YOUR UPRIGHT?

**Larry:** "No problem, as I don't. I have a good home recording studio so the other musicians come here."

**Steven:** "The chicks at clubs pay more attention to my axe than me. So, yeah, my bass gets more action."

**Ben:** "It is a real nightmare, unless you have a flight case, which usually costs several thousand dollars. Even then, there is no guarantee that it won't be damaged...for example, if it got dropped



off a plane when being unloaded. I once had to fly with my upright. I bought an extra seat for it but, upon boarding, realized that the bass would not fit into the seat by any configuration. We tried everything — upside down, on its side, at an angle. Nothing would work. Finally, after about fifteen minutes of holding up the plane, we decided to lock it into one of the bathrooms and seal it off. The passengers were fairly nonplussed after waiting this long. To top things off, the pilot gets on the speaker to apologize for our late takeoff and to assure everyone that I had bought a seat for my instrument. As I walked back I heard grumblings under people's breath such as, 'Why don't you just bring your whole house next time?' ■

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**Keb' Mo'** [938]: California Center for the Arts, Saturday, October 29, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

### SUNDAY

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**Dave Alvin** [818]: Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, November 5, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Mos Def** and **Talib Kweli:** House of Blues, Saturday, November 5, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

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**The Rolling Stones** [529]: Petco Park, Friday, November 11, 100 Park Boulevard. 619-795-5401 or 619-220-8497.

**Clay Aiken:** San Diego Civic Theatre, Friday, November 11, 1100 Third Avenue. 619-220-8497.

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**Arturo Sandoval:** California Center for the Arts, Saturday, November 12, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Lou Rawls [607]:** California Center for the Arts, Sunday, November 13, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Damian Marley:** 4th & B, Sunday, November 13, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Switchfoot [103]:** House of Blues, Sunday, November 13, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Stryper:** House of Blues, Tuesday, November 15, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**James Brown [608]:** 4th & B, Tuesday, November 15, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Staind and P.O.D.:** Soma, Tuesday, November 15, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard. 619-226-SOMA or 619-220-8497.

**Liz Phair [477]:** House of Blues, Wednesday, November 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**The Eagles:** Cox Arena, Wednesday, November 16, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0427 or 619-220-8497.

**Poncho Sanchez:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, November 17, 143 South Cedros Avenue. 858-481-9022 or 619-220-8497.

**Rob Thomas [605]:** Copley Symphony Hall, Thursday, November 17, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-220-8497.

**Mel Tillis:** California Center for the Arts, Saturday, November 19, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Depeche Mode [476]:** San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, November 19, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard. 619-220-8497.

**The Dandy Warhols [219]:** 4th & B, Saturday, November 19, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Simple Plan:** Soma, Sunday, November 20, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard. 619-226-SOMA.

**Béla Fleck [674]:** California Center for the Arts, Sunday, November 20, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Nine Inch Nails [268]:** Cox Arena, Sunday, November 20, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0427 or 619-220-8497.

**GWAR [279]:** House of Blues, Monday, November 21, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Slightly Stoopid [352]:** House of Blues, Friday, November 25, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Big Bad Voodoo Daddy:** California Center for the Arts, Friday, November 25, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**Jason Mraz [824]:** Copley Symphony Hall, Saturday, November 26, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-220-8497.

**Babyface:** 4th & B, Saturday, November 26, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Slightly Stoopid [352]:** House of Blues, Saturday, November 26, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Dave Koz [656]:** Copley Symphony Hall, Sunday, November 27, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-220-8497 or 619-220-8497.

## NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

As my wife and I prepare for the arrival of our first child, I'm hearing a lot of useful tips, but none made me feel better than this piece of advice: Put on some relaxing music. Finally, something I know how to do! Unfortunately, my wife vetoed my choice of **American Analog Set**. "I think that's the wrong kind of relaxing," she said.

American Analog Set started playing together in Austin, Texas, in 1995 and has spent the past decade faithfully pursuing a slow and quiet style that nonetheless has some drive to it. I have yet to meet

anyone who agrees with me on this point, but I like to say that AmAnSet songs could be heavy metal if you turned up the distortion and made the drummer play with sticks instead of brushes. Like local acts the Album Leaf and Pinback, both of whom have toured with the Texas band, AmAnSet shows are quiet enough to talk over (if you're rude) but engaging enough to keep you silent.

Recently, AmAnSet released their sixth album, the excellent *Set Free*, and singer **Andrew Kenny** announced the band would, more or less, call it quits after the current tour. Their reason: the pursuit of higher education, careers, and marriages. And, with all members of the band on the wrong side of



AMERICAN ANALOG SET

30, the feeling of being too old for rock 'n' roll. This from a band that's almost mellow enough for the delivery room.

**AMERICAN ANALOG SET, The Casbah, Wednesday, November 2, 8:30 p.m. 619-232-4355. \$10.**

**Fiona Apple:** House of Blues, Monday, November 28, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Saves the Day [218]:** House of Blues, Wednesday, November 30, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

## DECEMBER

**The Bangles:** House of Blues, Friday, December 2, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Gwen Stefani:** Cox Arena, Sunday, December 4, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0427 or 619-220-8497.

**Bob Schneider [168]:** Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, December 4, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Dwight Yoakam [777]:** Pala Events Center, Sunday, December 4, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**Trey Anastasio:** 4th & B, Tuesday, December 6, 345 B Street, downtown. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**The Trans-Siberian Orchestra:** Cox Arena, Wednesday, December 7, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0427 or 619-220-8497.

**Pat Green:** House of Blues, Thursday, December 8, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Echo & the Bunnymen [194]:** House of Blues, Friday, December 9, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Keith Urban and Deana Carter [774]:** San Diego Sports Arena, Saturday, December 10, 3500

Sports Arena Boulevard. 619-220-8497.

**Don Edwards:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Tuesday, December 13, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Nickel Creek [817] and Andrew Bird:** House of Blues, Thursday, December 15, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Nickel Creek [817] and Andrew Bird:** House of Blues, Friday, December 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Riders in the Sky:** California Center for the Arts, Saturday, December 17, 340 N. Escondido Boulevard, Escondido. 800-988-4253 or 619-220-8497.

**The Brian Setzer Orchestra [475]:** House of Blues, Sunday, December 18, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Peter White [650], Rick Braun [654], and Mindi Abair:** Spreckels Theatre, Friday, December 23, 121 Broadway, downtown. 619-235-9500 or 619-220-8497.

**Social Distortion [481]:** House of Blues, Monday, December 26, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Social Distortion [481]:** House of Blues, Tuesday, December 27, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Reverend Horton Heat:** House of Blues, Thursday, December 29, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

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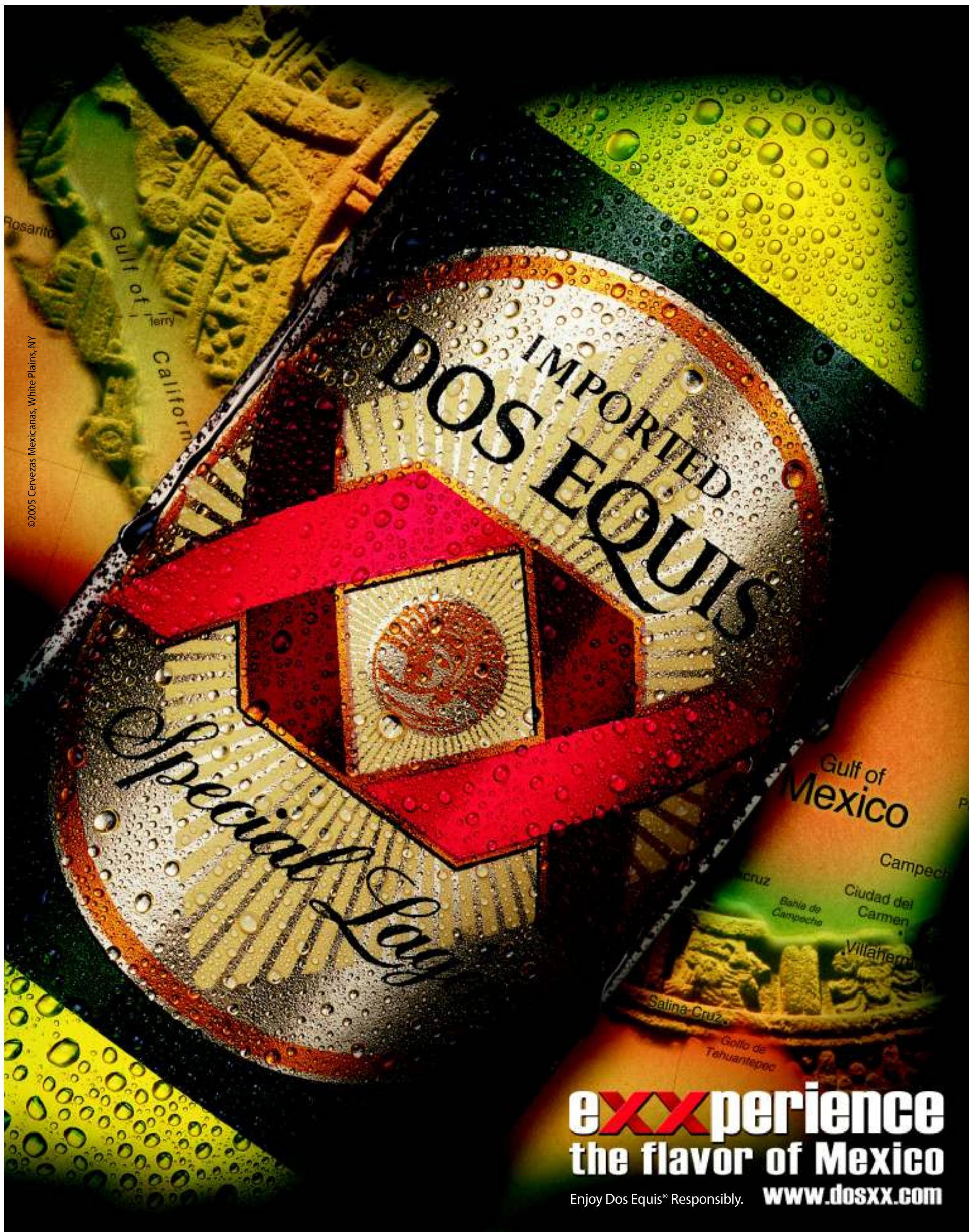


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The Anomaly: Brick By Brick

The Atoms: The Kensington Club

The Attacks: El Gato Loco

Aura: Brick By Brick

The Bad Plus: Belly Up Tavern

Bauhaus [228]: 4th & B

Beehive & the Barracudas: The Kensington Club

The Big Dame Hunters: Voz Alta

Boys Night Out: Soma

The Briefs: The Kensington Club

Buckfast Superbee [119]: The Casbah

The Buzzkill Romantics: The Kensington Club

Campaign for Quiet [274]: The Casbah

Channing Cope: The Casbah

Circa Survive: House of Blues

The Creepy Creeps: Brick By Brick

Crimson Knight: Voz Alta

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The Essentials: Brick By Brick

Facing New York: Ché Cafe

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50 on Their Heels: The Kensington Club

Fine White China: Brick By Brick

Flight Risk: Longshot Saloon

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Guerilla Transammo: Brick By Brick

The Haunted: Soma

The Heartaches: The Kensington Club

The Hexxers: Brick By Brick

Higher Minds: 'Canes

The Husbands: The Kensington Club

I Like Girls: Brick By Brick

Idle Train [112]: McP's Irish Pub and Grill

Left Hand Thread: RD's Log Cabin

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Live 45: El Gato Loco

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Pretty Girls Make Graves: The Casbah

Project 86: Soma

The Quitters: El Gato Loco

Markey Ramone: Brick By Brick

Razrez: The Casbah

The Ringers: Brick By Brick

Sandjacket [296]: Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)

The Sensation Junkies: Blind Melons

Serrated: 'Canes

Shadyside: Dreamstreet

Slewfoot: The Jumping Turtle

SNMNM: The Jumping Turtle

The Spits: The Kensington Club

Spoken: Soma

The Starting Line: Soma

Stolen [254]: Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)

Strykinyne: The Jumping Turtle

Ten On: 'Canes

Time Machine: 'Canes

The 25th Hour: The Jumping Turtle

The Underhills: El Gato Loco

Via Satellite: The Casbah

The Wastrels: El Gato Loco

Worth Every Scar: El Gato Loco

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EXTENSION 4003

ROCK

An Island I Am: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

Arcadia: The Jumping Turtle

As We Speak: Blind Melons, Brick By Brick

The Blackpool Lights: The Casbah

Blind Date: Pounder's

Blues Traveler [459]: House of Blues

Joey Bowen: Winstons

Christopher Cash: Dreamstreet

Criminal Funk: Viejas Casino

The Crown City Rockers: 4th & B

Dead Man's Party: 'Canes

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FRI. NOV 18  
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**Victor Dinaire:** 4th & B

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**Driven:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Electric Waste Band:** Winstons

**The Emerson Band:** Blind Melons

**The Exit Theory:** Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)

**Fair Fight:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Fall Guys:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

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**The Jerry Garcia Band:** Winstons

**Mike Gardner:** Mas Fina Cantina  
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**The Geeses:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Gov't Mule:** House of Blues  
**Neil Hamburger:** The Casbah  
**Hera's Olive [461]:** Dick's Last Resort  
**Hot Rod Lincoln [547]:** Tio Leo's Lounge  
**The Jagged Edge:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**The Jefferson Jay Band:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Life or Death:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Monsters of Rock:** Fannie's Nightclub

**Nude Blues:** Bahia Belle Cruise

**Private Domain** [489]: Dick's Last Resort

**The Procussions:** 4th & B

**RDG:** Hard Rock Cafe (La Jolla)

**The Derren Raser Band:** Borders Books & Music (El Cajon)

**Reaganomics:** °Canes, Blind Melons

**Rock N Roll Soldiers:** Brick By Brick

**Ron's Garage:** Island Sports & Spirits, Dick's Last Resort, Hotel del Coronado

**Saint Cinder:** Dreamstreet

**Melvin Seals:** Winstons

**Serious Guise:** Second Wind (Santee)

**Shady Grey:** The Driftwood Lounge

**The Shambles** [454]: Lestat's Coffeehouse

**The Shooters:** Longshot Saloon

**The Spots:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**The Stalker Dan Band:** 'Canes

**The Stiletto's:** Riley's Sports Bar

**Those Dang Robinsons:** 4th & B

**Tough & Lonely:** The Kensington Club

**Transfer:** The Casbah

**Undecided:** Island Sports & Spirits, MCP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Uptown Groove:** Second Wind (San Carlos)

**The Vacation:** Brick By Brick

**Viva Santana:** Humphrey's

**The Wild Ones:** Woody's Sports Bar

**Wonka Bar:** Tiki House

**Joe Wood & the Lonely Ones:** Surf N' Saddle


**Y3K:** Boar Cross'n

**Patti Zaklet** [485]: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub


## EXTENSION 4004

**POP / TOP 40**


**B Natural:** Bahia Belle Cruise  
**'80s Heat:** Belly Up Tavern  
**Jimmy Lavello:** Dakota Grill and Spirits  
**Les Cambeaux:** Jimmy Love's  
**Fran Loskota:** The Westgate Hotel  
**The Love Rangers:** The Alley  
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## EXTENSION 4005

### JAZZ / BIG BAND

**Burnett Anderson:** Cafe LaMaze  
**The Archtones:** Croce's Jazz Bar  
**The Ray Barrie Big Band:** The German-American Societies  
**Tom Bishop:** Rancho Bernardo Inn

**Blue Largo /636/:** The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe, Tio Leo's Lounge, The Calypso Cafe

**Bob Boss:** Terra

**Ray Briz:** Hotel del Coronado

**The Lee Brown Perspective:** Thrusters, Magnolia's

**B-3 Four:** Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant

**John Cain /703/:** Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge, Hotel del Coronado

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

**Sammy Canonizado:** Cafe LaMaze

**Karin Carson:** Scalini Restaurant, L'Auberge Del Mar Resort & Spa

**Gilbert Castellanos /667/:** Onyx

**Sandy Chappel:** Cafe LaMaze

**Jo Dark:** The German-American Societies

**Nick Fiore:** Pasquale on Prospect

**Fuerte:** The Calypso Cafe

**The Jim Gala Jazz Trio:** Kitima Thai Restaurant

**Joe Garrison:** Cafe LaMaze

**John Giulino:** Pasquale on Prospect

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**Rick Helzer:** Dizzy's

**The High Society Jazz Band:** Tio Leo's Lounge

**Reggie Houston:** The Berkeley  
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**Daniel Jackson:** Hotel del Coronado

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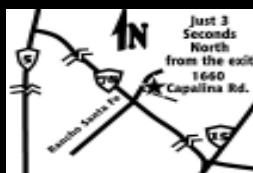
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## BANDS

**Thomas Lee:** Borders Books & Music (Mission Valley)  
**Jennifer Lee:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Jimmy Lewis:** Tiki House  
**Rick Lyons:** Lestat's Coffeehouse  
**Kimmi Marthers:** Brick By Brick  
**Joanie Mendenhall:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Nells:** Brick By Brick  
**Odds Against:** Lestat's Coffeehouse  
**Korrie Palotto:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Chris Pierce:** University of San Diego  
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**Michele Shipp:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
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**Renata Youngblood:** Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

## EXTENSION 4009

## BLUES / SOUL

**The Backwater Blues Band:** Patrick's II

**The Bayou Brothers [948]:** Patrick's II  
**Tab Benoit:** Humphrey's  
**Big City Shaman:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill  
**The Blues Brokers:** Carvers, The Kraken  
**The Boogiemen [937]:** Tiki House  
**The Charles Burton Blues Band [931]:** The Kraken  
**The CEO Band:** The Berkeley  
**Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters [932]:** Big Jim's Old South Bar-B-Q, Hancock Cafe, Chateau Orleans  
**Digable Planets:** 4th & B  
**Alan Iglesias & Crossfire:** Patrick's II  
**Candy Kane [939]:** The Calypso Cafe  
**The King Fish Turner Band:** The Kraken  
**Lady Dottie & the Diamonds:** House of Blues  
**Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak [952]:** Patrick's II  
**The Bill Magee Blues Band [947]:** The Kraken, The Berkeley, Patrick's II  
**Jeff Moore:** The Calypso Cafe  
**The Pfister Sisters:** The Berkeley  
**Shelle Blues:** Patrick's II  
**Dean Smith:** The Calypso Cafe  
**The Texas Twisters:** Patrick's II  
**3 EZ Pieces:** The Kraken

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

Bill Evans is the standard by which I judge all jazz pianists. It has been said that Evans played piano better than anyone, that he could leave an audience sitting in stunned silence after a performance. He spawned a generation of admirers, including Chick Corea and Herbie Hancock and Lyle Mays, but no one has Evans's combination of gifts. When he died a drug-poisoned man in 1980, I felt robbed.

I admit I listen for Evans's tensions and releases in any unfamiliar player. How does **Mulgrew Miller** line up with such heavy company? Favorably, and that sur-

prised me. I've been listening to Miller's *Live at Yoshi's, Volume Two* for a month. His playing is informed by his influences: Benny Golson, Tony Williams, James Williams. Debussy, perhaps, maybe Chopin, and some gospel and R&B. Miller brings a wealth of styles — one minute, he has Duke Ellington's refined touch, the next minute McCoy Tyner's vast chord vocabulary. There are traces of Evans as well, especially of the late master's knack of finding sounds that most artists didn't know a piano could make.

What Miller may lack in emotion he makes up for in intelligence. His read of Rodgers and Hart's "Little Girl Blue," for example, is like that of a chess player in its mastery of strategy, space, and time. Will Miller make



MULGREW MILLER

the short list? That remains to be seen.

**MULGREW MILLER, San Diego Museum of Art, Balboa Park, Wednesday, November 2, 5:30 p.m. 619-232-7931 or 619-220-8497. \$17.**

## EXTENSION 4010

## EVERYTHING ELSE

**Armenta de San Diego:** La Valencia Hotel  
**Shane B. Baker:** The Kava Lounge

**J.D. Boucharde [985]:** Princess Pub & Grille, Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company

**Calima [984]:** The Calypso Cafe

**The Capriccio String Quartet:** Tutto Mare

**Ray Correa:** The Butcher Shop

**Crash Carter [991]:** The Calypso Cafe

**Disguised:** The Kava Lounge

**Vicki Eriqat:** Edelweiss Restaurant

**Jim Gibson:** Hotel del Coronado

**Kjell Holmes [994]:** Edelweiss Restaurant

**Gordon Kohl [983]:** Edelweiss Restaurant

**La Preferida:** Sevilla

**The Bradley Leighton Band [987]:** Game Time Tavern

**Lil' Ryan:** The Kava Lounge

**Los Ingratoz:** Over the Border

**L.P.:** Brick By Brick

**New Direction:** Red Fox Steakhouse

**Faith Page [989]:** The Westgate Hotel

**Kristi Rickert [998]:** Top of the Cove

**The David Shard Duo:** Red Fox Steakhouse

**David Timothy Smith:** Albie's Beef Inn

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**Club '80s:** Thursdays, new wave, electro, and new romantic with DJs Bryan Pollard and Sickboy. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Shooterz, 3815 30th Street, North Park. 619-574-0744.

**Club Notorious:** Sundays, 6 a.m. to 1 a.m., breaks and house. Bacchus House, 3054 University Avenue, North Park. 619-299-2032.

**Darkwave Garden:** Wednesdays, punk, gothic, and darkwave with DJs Bryan Pollard, AryRose, and Synex. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Kadan, 4696 30th Street, North Park. 619-640-2500.

**Deep:** Thursdays, drum 'n' bass with DJs Wallkrawler, Probable Cause, and Skyler Mic. 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Honey Bee Hive, 1409 C Street (corner of 14th Street, across from City College), downtown. 619-517-2030.

**Flying Bridge:** Third Saturday of the month, house, breaks, and hip-hop with DJs SR-71, D-niall, and Dan Gorp. 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. 1105 N. Coast Highway, Oceanside. 760-722-1151.

**Inferno Young Adult Nightclub:** Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Dizzy D spins hip-hop, R&B, and

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**Liquid:** Fridays, funk, down-tempo, and drum 'n' bass; 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Marin Lounge, 548 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-234-5670.

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

**Moondoggies Pacific Beach:** Saturdays, Saturday Night Mix, hip-hop and R&B with DJs Enigma and Cisco. 9 p.m.; 21 and up. No cover. 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550.

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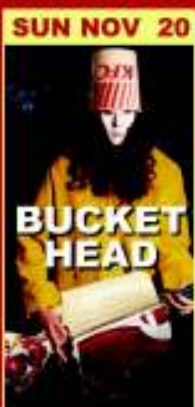
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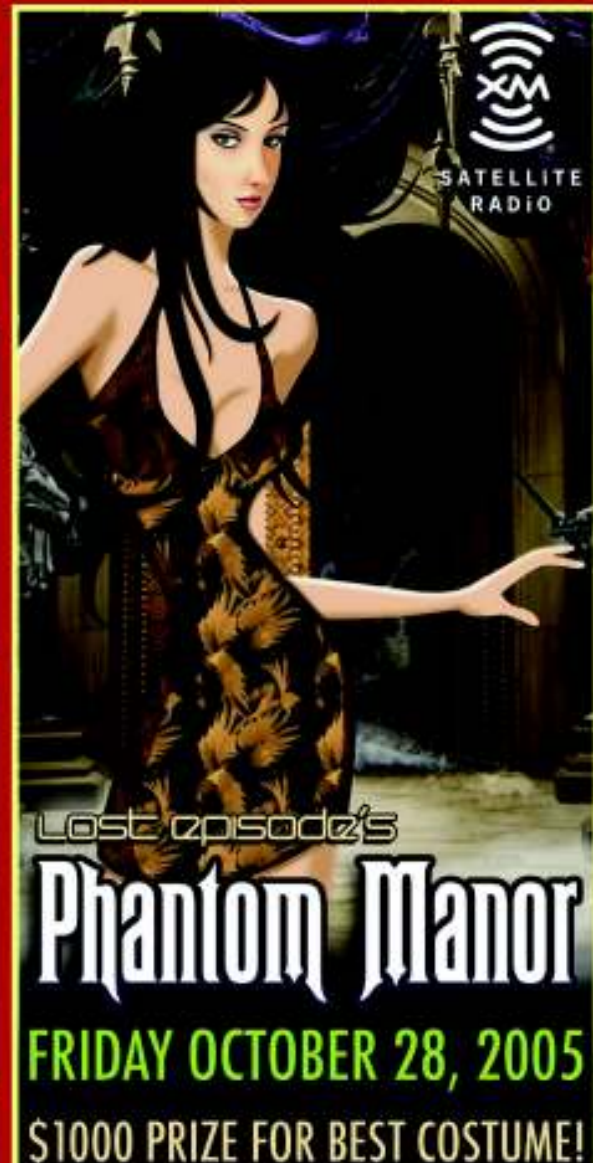
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**The Jumping Turtle,** 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7778. Music is alternative/heavy rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Glasgow Drive*, *Fair Fight*, and *the 25th Hour*. Friday, *Onesidezero*, *Slewfoot*, and *Gecko*. Saturday, *Powerslave*, *Life or Death*, *Strykinyne*, *Arcadia*, and *Driven*. Sunday, *McChris*, *SNMNM*, and *the Ergs*. Monday, *DJ Mini Mee*.

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

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**Rancho Bernardo Inn,** 17550 Bernardo Oaks Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-675-8500. El Bizcocho Restaurant: Friday, 5:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., and Saturday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Jerry Melnick* and *Tom Bishop*, jazz/variety.

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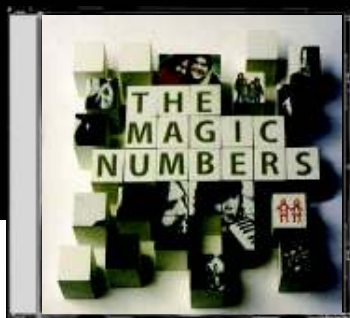
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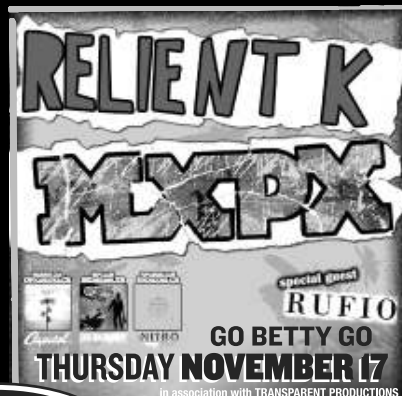
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**Album:** *Shyko* (self-titled) (2005)  
**Artist:** Shyko  
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**Band:** Chris Szajko (vocals, guitar)  
**Extra info:** After graduating from Minneapolis's Musictech guitar program, Chris Szajko (pronounced shy-co) earned fame across the Midwest for his guitar work in bands VanKamp and Pfreak Show. Szajko was a producer at Grand Master Studios Midwest and part-time guitar teacher before the launch of his solo project in San Diego.  
**Website:** [www.shyko.com](http://www.shyko.com)

Slick production quality on each cut, but lyrics often fall to the wayside. Chris Szajko's words don't exactly make for drudgery, but take away the amps and the guitar and problems arise. Luckily, the album never gets too soft.

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pop-influenced "She's Got That Somethin'." These variant tempos seem out of place on the otherwise hard-rock disc.

With the exception of "Waiting for You," the album is heavy with thundering chords, tumultuous reverb, and excessive hooks. "Guilty Inside" boasts grating distortion with some solid hooks, though punk undertones discredit any hint of originality. As it is on each track, the song breaks into a catchy bridge that is offset by semi-melodic hollering. It's clear that Szajko aims to annihilate slower, ballad-territory guitar work.

The biggest letdown is Szajko's singing quality; too often, his voice is languid. Yeah, he's going for jaded, but he stresses it way beyond its euphonic constraints. Thankfully, the guitar work is substantial enough to shift the focus away.

The disc closes with an admirable cover of Ted



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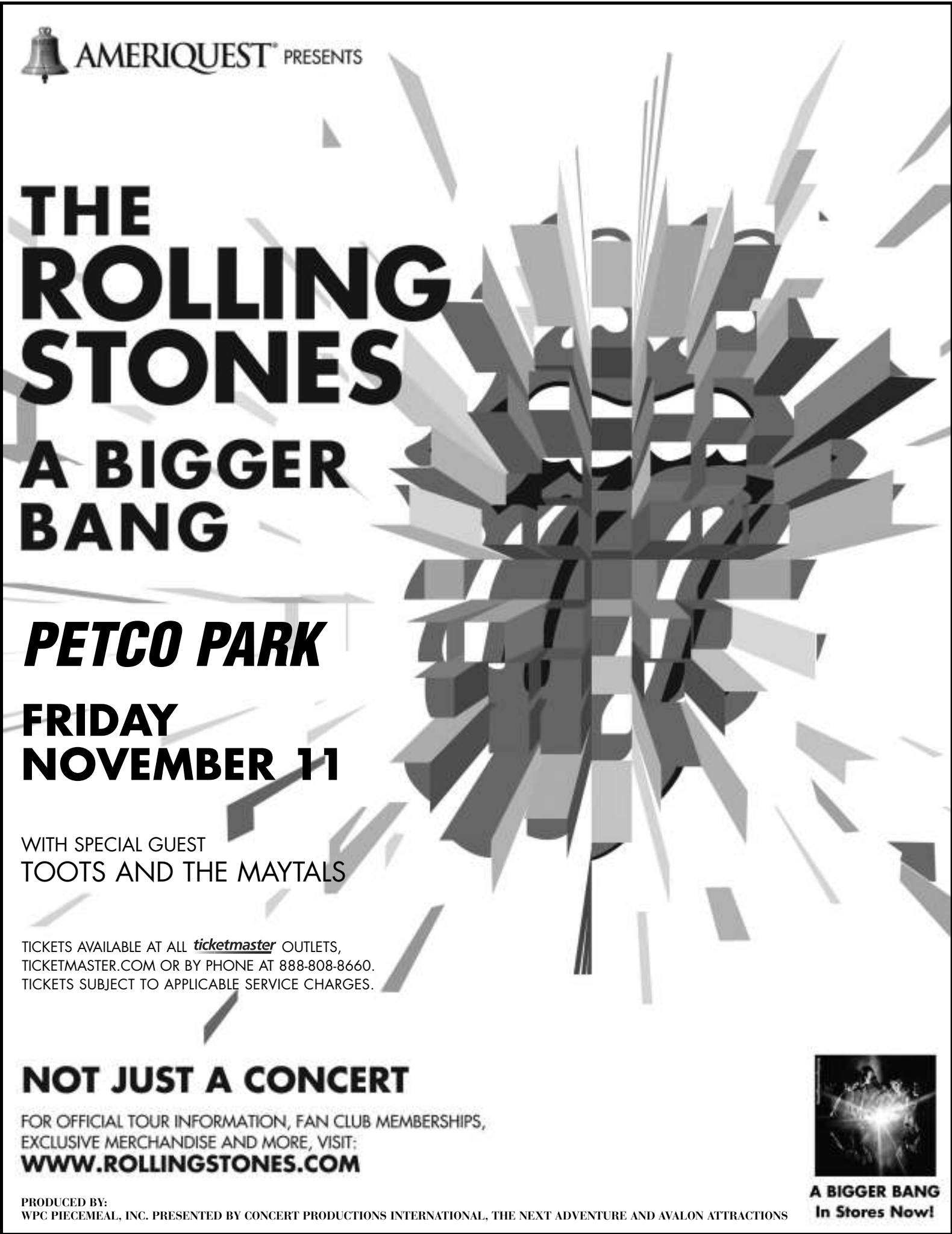
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But Harpagon, Molière's bourgeois monster, loves the view. The sight of money not spent thrills him almost as much as accumulating it. The empty house goes beyond utilitarian (like that hole punched through a door: to save on doorknobs?). No expense has been dared. This guy's such a tightwad, he even skimps on toilet paper.

As in monster movies, we see the effects of Harpagon's reign of terror before we see the cause. His children, Elise and Cleante, behave as if their brains were oxygen-deprived — as if Harpagon hoards air as well as wealth. They half-think and stumble through language, often using their hands to speak instead. The servants, a decaying assemblage of battered humanity, could have stepped from a Hogarth etching.

Enter Harpagon. Instead of 17th Century wigs and layered, bulging outfits, Harpagon's bald, save for scraggly white strands. Too cheap to buy a wig, he even repairs tattered clothes with duct tape.

Harpagon — the word in French means "miser" and "skinflint" — behaves like a child locked in the "terrible twos." He toddles around, licking the air with his tongue and demanding instant gratification. Freudians might diagnose Harpagon as arrested in the anal phase of psychosexual development, which occurs between ages one and three. Symptoms include parsimony, untidiness, defiance, and, in his case, sadism. He's an egocentric brat in the body of a late-middle-aged man.

In a strange kind of way, as Stephen Epp's outstanding performance as Harpagon shows, the guy's also in love. Okay, not *love* love. More its negative opposite. He's a Romeo; gold's his Juliet. He's so fixated, so insanely jealous of his beloved, it consumes his identity. If he had time, he'd probably write sonnets to his strongbox. But he doesn't. He has two 24/7 functions: guard what he has, and get more.

In Act One he comes downstage and has to talk "out loud." The script says so. But Epp's Harpagon threatens to step beyond the play. He addresses the audience in a soliloquy. Suddenly his ballooning eyes see through the fourth wall. He's so paranoid even theatrical conventions become suspect: someone out there could pilfer his stash!

In a later scene, when his money's been stolen, he comes downstage again and calls everyone a Harpagon. He even suggests that at least he's honest about his unbridled lust.

Epp moves with athletic grace and contorts his

## REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



Stephen Cartmell, Steven Epp, Sarah Agnew in *The Miser*

**The Miser** by Molière, adapted by David Ball

**La Jolla Playhouse, Mandell Weiss Theatre, UCSD**

**Directed by Dominique Serrand;** cast: Steven Epp, Stephen Cartmell, Sarah Agnew, Jim Lichtscheidi, Natalie Moore, Robert Sonkowsky, Barbara Kingsley, David A. Tierney, Remo Airaldi, Nathan Keepers, Brianne Kostielney, Jeannine Marquie, Lance Rogers, Wendy Waddell, Jaysen Waller; scenic design, Riccardo Hernandez; costumes, Sonya Berlovitz; lighting, Marcus Dilliard; sound, David Remedios


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face like taffy. To his credit, not one ounce of the actor inside the role begs to be liked. Nor does he cartoon Harpagon, making him safe for consumption. Instead he's a grotesque tyrant, as fickle as a Greek god, whose rule of law stifles his family, his servants, and ultimately himself.

This no-holds-barred *Miser* began as a co-production with American Repertory Theatre, Actors Theatre of Louisville, and Minneapolis's Theatre de la Jeune Lune. It comes to the La Jolla Playhouse so polished and thought through that its spontaneous theatricality is remarkable (it's almost incessantly theatrical, in fact, and its virtuosity creates a sag late in the long first act). The production combines antic Commedia dell'arte devices and grimy stage realism. Never once does it feel like an exercise in a bygone style, or even a hybrid; yet embedded in movements and gestures lie the *lazzo*, *burla*, and *zanni* of the Commedia.

The result's a blend of the real and surreal. Odd things just happen as part of the play's world: like Nathan Keepers's elastic La Fleche doing a mirror scene with the miser, or dangling from a white chair nailed

to the wall; and stagnant rain-water spilling into a tub so that Harpagon can bathe (something, it appears, the others don't get to do). David Ball's gritty adaptation and the not-for-the-squeamish production foreground bodily functions and scatological phrases. Like Harpagon, *The Miser* didn't come here to be loved.

Molière's usually staged for laughs, as a cozy museum piece, minus his social critiques. Recent productions haven't "reinvented" him, in the current buzz word. Instead, Stephen Wadsworth's *Don Juan*, at the Old Globe, and Jeune Lune's *Miser* (the former as precise as poetry, the latter an earthy prose) have put seriousness back into comedies unafraid to offend.

Much of the humor comes from the downtrodden: how can a melange of deflated, repressed beings combat such an autocratic monster? Alone, they've no chance: inept Cleante (Stephen Cartmell), blitzed Elise (Sarah Agnew), malaproping Mariane (Natalie Moore), sage Frosine (Barbara Kingsley), put-upon Jacques (a funny Remo Airaldi, who needs to cue up, however), or ardent Valere (Jim Lichtscheidl). So they join

forces, like parts of a shattered psyche coming together. They enable Harpagon — a telling symbol for this, our Age of Avarice — to defeat himself.

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San Diego's enjoying a renaissance of relevant theater. In a way, anything staged speaks to (or about) the times. Lately, however, *The Miser*, Cygnet's *Curse of the Starving Class*, Moxie's *Dog Act*, Lynx's *In Arabia We'd All Be Kings* talk about today in boldface.

Mo'Olelo Performing Arts Company's gripping *Piece of My Heart* joined that group last weekend. Shirley Lauro's play follows six women to Vietnam in 1968-69. They go as nurses, entertainers; one's in intelligence (she predicts the Tet Offensive, yet no one believes her: because she's black?). The women describe the war from rarely heard perspectives and are just as eloquent about the re-entry shock of coming home.

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### Adams Avenue Studio: Festival of Performance Artists: Imagination Express...All Aboard

The Adams Avenue Studio concludes its performance festival with the mime company, formed in 1997, that takes audiences into “the invisible.” ADAMS AVENUE STUDIO OF THE ARTS, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, THROUGH OCTOBER 30; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-584-3593.

**Amadeus**  
The La Jolla Stage Company offers Peter Shaffer’s “play with music” (and *what* music!) about the conflict between the genius, Mozart, and the mediocrity, Salieri.

REGENCY ROOM, WESTGATE HOTEL, 1022 SECOND AVENUE, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-454-7798.

**Bad Dates**  
No, the set isn’t a stock room at Neiman-Marcus, or Imelda Marcos’s closet. Those stacks of shoe boxes and rows of gaudy high heels belong to Haley Walker, transplanted Texan, “restaurant savant,” shoe-fetishist, and lonesome single mom whose 600 pairs clog a rent-controlled NYC apartment. She’s starting to date again (as she prepares she rejects outfits and hopes she won’t be). If you don’t count its tacked-on, laundered-money, *deus ex Bug Guy* ending, which ties way too facile a bow, Theresa Rebeck’s one-character *Bad Dates* is a lightweight, amusing take on its subject (the best of which, however, remains Amy Hempel’s short story, “Tonight Is a Favor to Holly,” and her line “just because you’ve stopped sinking doesn’t mean you aren’t still under water”). Deanna Driscoll’s such an engaging, honest actor she gains strong audience rapport and, except for the subplot, makes much of the play — part sitcom, part *Law and Order: Criminal Intent* (for which Rebeck has written) — work on her terms. At times, however, Driscoll’s emotional truth cuts against the glib writing; sad to say: the piece would be funnier if she were less honest and played more for laughs.

**Worth a try.**  
SAN DIEGO REPERTORY THEATRE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH NOVEMBER 13; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. TUESDAY AND SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

**Born Yesterday**  
South Coast Repertory Theatre presents Garson Kanin’s popular comedy about Billie “I’m stupid and I like it” Dawn, who ain’t as dumb as she lets on. Warner Shook directed. SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, SEGERSTROM STAGE, 655 TOWN CENTER DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH NOVEMBER 20; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. TUESDAY AND SUNDAY AT 7:30 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:30 P.M. 714-708-5555.

**Chita Rivera: The Dancer’s Life**  
As she looks back on six decades in theater, Chita Rivera evokes the spir- its of Broadway’s Golden Age. They appear in silhouettes behind scrims or in living connections, as Rivera uses her body to materialize the style, say, of Jerome Robbins, Bob Fosse, or Gwen Verdon. The evening is haunted and, at its best, enchanting. Rivera’s one of the most humble living legends around. Terrence McNally’s sketchy book, however, has given itself one too many duties: tell the life, show the work, honor the in- spirations. The book juggles all three so much that each slights the others. We get, at most, passing references to her choreographers, and occa- sional facts about her emotional life (her husband was jealous; she had an affair with Sammy Davis Jr.), and only parts of songs and dances, snip- pets from *West Side Story* or *Chicago*. There’s so little conflict in the narra- tive you wish McNally’d dropped the life in favor of *Chita Rivera: The Dancer’s Work* and presented a mas- ter class on her amazing career and the influences and era behind it. But the show’s allergic to talk. It would much rather whip the pace than share insights into a bygone time, and educate the audience in the pro- cess. (Note: due to popular demand,

the Old Globe has extended the show’s run twice.) **Worth a try.**  
OLD GLOBE THEATRE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6; 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 Curse of the Starving Class**  
Cygnet Theatre’s manic, detailed co- production with New Village Arts el- evated my opinion of Sam Shepard’s 1977 work. I used to think *Curse* — about a dysfunctional family whose moldy avocado ranch is under attack from without and within — was just the runt sibling of *Buried Child* and *The Tooth of Crime*. Directed by Francis Gercke, who has a flair for Shepard’s herky-jerky tones and character shifts, there’s a serious, an- gry, relevant drama amid its car- toony shenanigans (much of the anger aimed at the starving — a.k.a. middle — class, which banks on an improved future happening by fiat). Bill Dunnam makes Weston, the family’s mock-patriarch, a mountain of rage, one moment, and a fragile soul the next (one of the ironies of *Curse*: people do transform, only nothing changes; Dunnam’s sweep- ing transformation of Weston is re- markable). Dana Case makes Ella, the mother, a famished coyote. Rachel VanWormer’s sharp intensity as puzzled Emma, the 4H clubber turned outlaw (if, that is, she isn’t in the bombed Packard) makes her an actor to watch. Ditto Joshua Everett Johnson. He goes way inside Wesley (who, many say, is the young Shep- ard), so far that he begins to embody sheer chaos. **Critic’s pick.**  
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**Dear Ella: The First Lady of Song**  
The Ira Aldridge Players’ tribute to Ella Fitzgerald comprises, arguably, the greatest of Greatest Hits collec- tions. Sure, she benefited from out- standing composers (George Gersh- win among them), and sung for some of the best bands on earth (in- cluding Mr. Ellington’s). But no one, before or since, can match her. She’s so empyrean it takes three women to sing her opus at the Caesar’s Cafe dinner-theater show: Kimberly J. Lit- tleton (“Fascinating Rhythm,” “It’s Wonderful”), a buoyant Charmen Jackson (“My Reverie,” “Gotta Be This or That”), and Ayanna Hobson (who joins classical guitarist Na- manja Bogunovic for “I Thought About You” and “Someone to Watch Over Me”), and whose scat- sung “Straight, No Chaser” brings down the house. A strong backup band, led by Dennis Dawson’s hot alto sax, and singer/hoofer Manolito Lopez (as “snake-hipped” as the young Ella, who grew up wanting not to be a singer but rather the “best little dancer in Yonkers”) also con- tribute. The sound system on open- ing night muffled the performances. But it’s been fixed, and the tribute to Ella makes for a lively memory-lane evening.

**Worth a try.**  
CAESAR’S CAFE, 801 C STREET, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 30; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DINNER AT 7:00 P.M., CURTAIN AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SUN- DAY, DINNER AT 2:00 P.M., CURTAIN AT 3:00 P.M. 619-283-4574.

**The Frankenstein Project**  
Sledgehammer presents a modern retelling of Mary Shelley’s novel,

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**Friends and Lovers**  
For four performances only, the Spreckels Theatre hosts a produc- tion of this comedy-drama, based on Eric Jerome Dickey’s best-sell- ing novel. SPRECKELS THEATRE, 121 BROADWAY, DOWNTOWN, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29, AT 3:00 P.M. AND 8:00 P.M., SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:30 P.M.

**Grass Roots Greeks**  
The very popular series of Greek play readings is back, with a new location: Adams Avenue Studio of the Arts. To reacquaint audiences with the masterworks of Greek drama, the readings have some movement, a suggestion of costumes and (re)act- ing. But the emphasis is on the word and, as in all Greek drama, on an un- folding story at once hair-on-fire ir- rational and as logical as a court- room debate. It doesn’t take long to see how pertinent and compelling these plays are. An informal discus- sion follows each reading. Next play: Sophocles, *Electra*, translated by Marianne McDonald.

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ADAMS AVENUE STUDIO OF THE ARTS, 2804 ADAMS AVENUE, NORMAL HEIGHTS, OPEN-ENDED RUN; MONDAY, NOVEM- BER 21, AT 7:30 P.M. 619-584-3593.

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#### Late-Nite Catechism

Back by popular demand: In most interactive theater the audience needs time to warm up, get into the spirit of performance. Vicki Quade and Maripat Donovan's one-person show, by contrast, takes two seconds, max. Sister, a nun substitute-teaching St. Bruno's adult catechism class, walks in, beams a pleasant smile, then orders late-comers to take their seats NOW. She's here because it's Father Murphy's poker night. And she's from the pre-Vatican II, don't-spare-the-rod school (when she taps a ruler on her palm, half the audience rubs its knuckles from suddenly unexpressed memories). Hulking around in heavy black gabardine, a python-sized rosary coiled at her waist, she commands such a presence that eyes avert when she glares at them. And, whether threatening a gum chewer with eternal damnation or delighting in church loopholes (St. Veronica probably had an eating disorder; St. Patrick was actually a Scot), she's as strict as a drill sergeant and funny as a crack

stand-up comic. *Late-Nite Catechism*, which began in 1993, has become a cult classic. It's *The Rocky Horror Show* for anyone who had an old-school, parochial education. And everyone else. **Worth a try.**

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH NOVEMBER 7; MONDAY AND TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M. 858-481-1055.

#### Mamma Mia!

Broadway/San Diego presents the stories of Donna, a fortysomething single mom, and her daughter Sophie, as told through the songs of ABBA. SAN DIEGO CIVIC THEATRE, 1100 THIRD AVENUE, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH OCTOBER 30; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 6:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 2:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 1:00 P.M. 619-570-1100.

#### The Mikado

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*Critic’s pick.*  
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**A Piece of My Heart**  
 Reviewed this issue.  
 VETERANS MUSEUM AND MEMORIAL CENTER, 2115 PARK BOULEVARD (ACROSS FROM THE WORLD BEAT CENTER), BALBOA PARK, THROUGH NOVEMBER 6; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-342-7395.

**The Prince of L.A.**  
 Dakin Matthews has dramaturged at the Old Globe for years. His *Prince of L.A.*, about signs of corruption in today’s Roman Catholic Church, embeds a dramaturge into the play itself. Matthew Cardinal John would rather lecture us about theatrical truth than reveal a story of financial and sexual abuse. *Prince* runs 2:45. Trim the self-conscious metadrama and it’s a tight script. And a good one, not so much about a scandal as how to suppress one. Cardinal John fights to keep the church’s image polished, while behind closed doors he practices what Machiavelli called the *verita effettuale*, the “practical truth.” The play works best in unsuppressed monologues: Andrew Matthews cuts loose as an abused priest; Michael Winters presents an intricate case for unfettered passion; Julia Fletcher, as an intrepid nun, exudes moral fervor, and an underlying dread that the end, not honesty, will justify the means. As Cardinal John, Dakin Matthews wears the most red, a sign of his character’s authority — and the author’s, it turns out, since he wrote the play for himself. He’s an engaging presence who knows how to lean into a moment. Matthews would benefit from watching someone else in the role, however, to see how annoyingly intrusive his character can be (sure he’s trying to cover up the truth before our eyes, but *come on already!*). Then he might

take the dramaturge out of the script and let it breathe on its own.  
**Worth a try.**  
 CASSIUS CARTER CENTRE STAGE, SIMON EDISON CENTRE FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, BALBOA PARK, THROUGH OCTOBER 30; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-239-2255.

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**The Smell of the Kill**  
 North Coast Repertory Theatre stages Michelle Lowe’s comedy about three couples’ monthly dinner party, which doesn’t go as planned. Brendon Fox directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987 LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH NOVEMBER 15; 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. 858-481-1055.

**A Touch of the Witch**  
 Talent to aMuse Theatre Company presents George Weinberg-Harter and Gail West’s comedy about “artsy witches, reluctant ghosts, greedy land sharks, and even a would-be zombie.” Sandy Hotchkiss Gullans directed. WESTMINSTER THEATRE, 3598 TALBOT STREET (AT CANON), POINT LOMA, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, THROUGH OCTOBER 30; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-233-9407.

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# Much Ado About Muufo

## DAY ONE: LUNCH

Abdul signals me to take off my shoes.

It feels oddly personal, entering a strange new space in only your socks.

We troop into this large room. Abdul and I stand in the last of maybe a dozen rows of men. Some are dressed in *diras*, robes, a few with head wraps, others in Western garb.

"*Allah-o-Akhbar!*" calls the voice from the front room.

It's lunchtime on Friday, Islam's equivalent of Sunday. We're at the *Masjid Nur* up near 50th and University, where many Somalis come to pray. It's just a converted house, but the name means "Mosque of the Moonlight." Pretty romantic.

The mullah's voice, through speakers, chants prayers in classical Arabic. Somalis have their own language, but the Arabic has the same comforting resonance as Latin does for Catholics. I kneel down, like everybody else, on the balls of my feet and my knees. And then lean forward till my forehead touches the carpet. Then it's up, till you're standing, leaning your hands on your knees, asking Allah — God — for forgiveness, and down two more times. At the end, after the mullah says more prayers, we all chant "A-meen." Meaning, as in Judaism and Christendom, "accepted."

It's the similarities, not the differences, that stay with me as we put our shoes back on outside.

"Now," says Abdul. "Let's eat."

We jump in his car and head west along University towards Euclid. Right next to Mid-City Grocery & Produce, a grill-fronted red-and-green building sports a sign you'd miss if you weren't looking: "Taste of African Cuisine."

"It's where Somalis gather," says Abdul. "'Specially on Fridays."

Some men — and it's only men here — are already at tables, playing dominoes. Slap, bang, laugh, argue.

We head into the big dining area inside, and the first thing I notice is guys eating meat, salad, and — spaghetti.

"Don't forget, we had Italians in Somalia for a long time before independence," Abdul says. "They left. Spaghetti stayed."

Abdul says Somali lunch food is basically basmati rice or spaghetti and meat, like beef, goat, lamb. "No pork. We're a Muslim country," he says. "But if we were in Somalia you'd certainly



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add the favorite, camel meat."

My ears prick up. Camel meat? Now that would be a first. 'Course, this is not my first Somali restaurant. That was the late lamented Afrique, a couple of years back. The one thing I remember from that place is bananas. Bananas came with everything. And here, sure enough, all the guys are peeling and chopping, squeezing the banana pieces over rice, chunks of meat, salads, piles of fava beans, into soups.

"What's with the bananas?" I ask.

"We love them," Abdul says. "Somalia has the sweetest bananas in the world. Bananas in this country aren't so sweet, but we use them anyway."

He says this meal is called *qado*, lunch. "You can have rice or spaghetti with goat, fish [mahi mahi], chicken, lamb, or a *fadareshin*." He pronounces it like "federation." It means a selection, a mixed plate. They're all the same price: \$7.00.

I go for the *fadareshin*, and when it arrives, you can imagine a sort of map of Somalia. The delicious, herby, on-the-bone roasted goat meat makes you think of Somalia's goat country, its mountains

and plateaus. The two slabs of fried fish (mahi mahi) tell of Somalia's coastline, the longest of any country in Africa. The basmati rice is the Indian influence, a monsoon-driven *dhow* trip to the northeast, and the pile of spaghetti shows who came and colonized this country in 1888. And bananas? They're the fruits of the oases in the Land of Punt, "God's Land," as the Egyptians called it, that made Somalia famous in the region.

By now, lots of young guys are sitting around the tables, sharing large plates of rice and spaghetti and meat. Even this early, there's plenty of joshing and laughing. You can tell: Friday after mosque is the release moment of the week. The place feels Somali, with the Arab-sounding language, the smells of sesame and roasting goat meat, and the decor, gray-and-blue tiles and blue-striped orange rafters. "Blue is Somalia's color," says Abdul.

We sit down at a glass-topped table with a flowery plastic cloth. "We have lots of taxi drivers come in," says Abdullahi Gass. He's the owner. "They don't have family in this country. They like to socialize. We order big plates to share."

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"Somalis are outgoing people," says Abdul. "We'll put arms around shoulders, tell jokes."

Of course, he means men. That's the other thing that gives this place atmosphere. So...what *about* the women?

"In our tradition, women prepare the food for the men," says Abdul. "I'm 26. I have two sisters. We just never eat together."

Ibrahim, the guy serving all this food, brings a dark tea (\$1.00) with cinnamon, and sugar, plus maybe...is that cardamom? Mint? Or is this just an herb tea? Whatever, it comes sweet, hot, and with a can of Carnation milk, two holes punctured into the top for pouring.

I follow Abdul's lead and break up my banana, strew it around my plate, take a deep breath, and plunge in.

Here's the other thing: you can use spoons, forks, whatever, but the cool, traditional, and, actually, the sensual thing to do is eat with your right hand (only use the left to help). I mix in the banana with the rice (mmm!), the salad, the spaghetti (uh, okay), the fish (yeah), and the goat. Your fingers mush it, mix it, sort it out, feel the wet, the dry, the

Gnever had gnocchi? Then you're in for a gnice surprise. Gnocchi is how Italy does the potato dumpling. And as you can probably guess, the g is silent. But the flavor is anything but. Add tender burgundy braised beef, a splash of cream, a little onion, mushroom and sweet red pepper, and you've got a taste of Italian heaven. Don't wait to try it, our Gnocchi dish is only available for a limited time. After that, it's arrivederci.

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leafy, the sticky, the different meat textures. You get to enjoy the direct-touch contact with the food. You get to wonder how much you've missed, all these years, using no-touch, metal knife-and-fork proxies. This is luscious!

Trouble is, everyone around me seems to be able to gather up fingerfuls of food and pop it in their mouths cleanly, a bull's eye. Me, my face looks as if I just lost a sticky-rice-throwing contest.

#### DAY TWO: DINNER

So a few days later, I'm back up in this part of town, and just across the road from a 7-Eleven I spot this homely little place. It's called "Coffee Time Daily," but you can tell it's probably a Somali outfit from the men chatting and sitting outside behind half a dozen taxis. Along with the Eritreans, Somalis seem to have cornered the taxi biz in this town.

Inside, through the fly-flap plastic curtains, half a dozen green "marble" Formica tables are scattered about. Walls are plain white, but they have a picture of the great square in Mecca where the pilgrims gather. At the back, there's a counter and kitchen. All in a pretty small space.

I'm thinking dinner. I'm eager to get into *muufos*. That's the round kind of bread I remember from Afrique. Like bananas, *muufos* are for shredding, dunking, squishing into the rest of the meal.

"Welcome," says this bright-looking guy behind the counter. Ali. "Welcome, welcome," says

the kid with him, Ali Ali. Actually Ali Ali just grins, but that's what his grin says. It was pretty warm outside, but inside, it's an oven. Still, I guess that makes it a little more like home.

"Something for an evening meal," I say. "Something with *muufo*?"

"*Muufo*? No problem," says Ali.

There are other dishes, but this is, like, the default choice for nighttime. He asks what I want to drink. "People here like fresh mango and papaya. Or we have sodas."

I go for the mango-papaya (\$2.00), and delicious it is. Rubyish-orange color and that rich, heady, syrupy flavor.

For five bucks you get a lot. Ali and Ali Ali turn up with three plates and a banana. One plate has a salad on one side and chopped, sautéed beef and onions on the other. Another carries two *muufos*. Breads. They look like thick, puffed tortillas. The third has a large bowl of soup with a bone in the middle. I know what to do, thanks to help from two neighbors, Hajji — as he is known now because he has been to the *Haj*, the Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca — his birth name is Osman — and Abdul Rahman.

"You want to use your hands?" Ali asks.

"Absolutely."

"Good. It feels better by hand. I have a basin if you want to wash them first."

So I go to the kitchen and wash up, then come back and systematically break up the *muufos*, tossing the pieces into the soup. Then cross-cut a dozen slices of banana and dunk them into the soup too. After that it's the sautéed beef and onions, and, yes, the salad, all in together.

"Try the sesame oil," Osman

says. "It is good for you."

So I upturn the plastic sesame oil bottle and squirt a few circles out. Shake some brown hot sauce from the other bottle on the table for luck.

"Now, mix it all together," says Abdul Rahman. He makes a squishing movement with his fingers. "The more mixed the better."

It's a pulpy mess by the time I'm through. I grab a mittful. This is the part I'm embarrassed about. "There is a way," says Ali. "See?" He points to Abdul Rahman again. His graceful, long-fingered hand wraps a bite-sized portion into a lump with his thumb, then his thumb acts as elevator, pushing the bundle up into his mouth. No mess, no ooze, no problem.

Man, I've got a long way to go. But the taste combo really is good, if you like the sweet influence of the banana. I do. The sesame oil, the coriander-spiced beef, and the hot sauce all play their part.

Ali drops off a fish *sambussa* (50 cents) for me to try. It's good, like a little triangular fish taco.

Now Ali excuses himself. He is off to the mosque to pray. The fifth and last obligation of the day, the *Isha* prayer. "I'll be back soon," he says.

Abdi comes and sits next to me. He's eating a mess of *fool* beans. "It's good roughage," he says. "Good for the digestion at night. You eat goat for breakfast, beef and spaghetti for lunch, you need something like this at night."

"So what about camel?" I say. I'm really talking meat, to eat. But everybody just sighs. Turns out camels are traditionally so important to Somalis they have 46 different words to describe them. They have endless poetry about them. "My

father owns 300," says another customer also named Ali. "He sells them to Saudi Arabia and Qatar. I know people who have never drunk water in their lives. They drink camel's milk and eat camel meat. A complete diet. We miss it here."

So do I. That would have been interesting. They say it has a special taste, mild, spicy, tender, and it gives you strength like no other meat. And if you cook it, it can last for months without going bad. The perfect traveler's food.

Meanwhile, Osman elegantly cuts into his banana, dropping the lopped-off pieces onto his salad and biryani rice with beef on top (\$5.00), and Abdul Rahman mixes his with spaghetti, salad, and fried grouper (\$5.00). Then, it's "Pass the *masara* [sesame oil], please."

I even use *masara* on a *malawa*. *Malawa* is a crisp *anjera*, the traditional flat bread of Somalia, with sugar (50 cents), accompanied by a beautiful sweet frothed-milk tea (\$1.00) with an herb scattered on top called *hayl*. It has a — what? — rosemary-style taste to it. "That's what defines Somali tea," says Ahmed, who's the cook here. And, what the heck, I also go for a wobbly, reddish, gelatinish sweet called *halwa*, or *xalwa*, as the Somalis spell it (\$2.00 for the large size). On top: scrumptious crystalized sugar.

"Ooh, that *xalwa*, wicked," I coo.

"Wicked?" says Ali, who's back from his *Isha* prayers.

"Meaning 'delicious,'" I say. "How do you say 'delicious' in Somali?"

"*Mahan*."

"Well, this combo, the *malawa* and the *xalwa* are, like, *mahan-issimo*."

Talk continues, about life in

San Diego (the good: educational possibilities, Somalia-like weather, driving taxis; the bad: processed American food, the rat race, driving taxis). And about battered Somalia itself, reeling from the Italians, the British, the French, the Soviet Union, the US, pulling at this ancient country one way and the other for a century, till it was pulled apart.

Ali ends by gently kicking us all out. "I have to be back in nine hours," he says.

#### DAY THREE: BREAKFAST

Victory! Camel at last! It's late the next morning, a Friday again. Ali's been here at the restaurant since 6:00 a.m., but he's headed off now the second of his five obligatory *salah*, daily prayers, the *duhr* (midday) prayer. His guys still have some breakfast left. Which is good, 'cause I'm raring to eat, 'specially since *anjera*, traditionally made from sorghum or millet, is really a breakfast thing.

"Somali *anjera* is milder than Ethiopian *injera*," says Yasim. "*Injera* is stronger, heavier, more sour."

People are drinking mainly that *hayl*-topped boiled-milk tea. And half are having lunch. I ask for breakfast — and ten minutes later get this wonderful plate with a nine-inch round of *anjera* loaded with one pile of *fool* (fava beans, tomatoes, fried onions), another pile of *sukhar*, which is grilled ground beef and some tomato or vegetable sauce, and — drum roll, please: the last pile is *odkac*, cut-up beef and...hey hey! Camel. Yes, Ahmed has managed to get in some camel meat, all the way from either Australia, or perhaps Qatar. Fried in goat oil!

And let's not forget the banana.

I must say, the *odkac* is intriguing, sort of smoky. So another first: I've eaten camel. But the *sukhar* is the delicious thing here. It lights up the *anjera*.

I ask about the, well, slightly misleading name, "Coffee Time Daily." It turns out most people in the Somali community call it by an old moniker given way back: *A'Laa'Al*. Everyone laughs a little shyly about this. "Africans would come here because it was a place they could talk about the bad times they had all had [in wars and refugee camps] at home," says Ahmed. "So they called it *A'Laa'Al*. 'The Bad Old Days.' And the name has stuck."

That is great. By now I want to find out more. I know I've just scratched the surface here. I haven't even gotten into the lamb thing. Or the goat thing. Or really, the whole variety of the sambussa thing.

Still, it's a good start. And one thing I know unites me and the Somalis: we all have a sweet tooth.

What's best about these Somali joints is that they're still aimed at Somalis. Venture in, and you get the real thing. Not some pushed-up, watered-down version to suit Western palates. Already, there's talk of opening a place that would be "American-friendly." So best to strike now, before the sambussas turn up with avocado and bacon in them and *muufos* morph into wraps.

Oh, and one last question for Ahmed: "Would American women be welcome here?"

"Of course. Muslim women don't come, because they feel awkward eating a meal in the company of men who aren't their husbands. Non-Muslim women, it isn't an issue. They are welcome." ■

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# Lunch and the Law

*"Witness has tampered with exhibit A, the dip for his sandwich."*

Every day's a good day, but some days are better than others.

That's what it says on this quote staring out from below the bronze bust of one Robert K. Castetter, first dean of the California Western School of Law.

Right on, brother.

But, man, I feel out of place, beyond my nat'ral boundaries, here in the law school's courtyard, surrounded by sharp-talkin', book-totin', totally caffeinated law students, heads bobbing, fingers wagging, eyes firing blue bullets.

"Our motto? It's *Lex Lata*... what the law is."

"No. *Lex Ferenda*... what the law ought to be."

"No. *Lex Schola Ferenda*... what a law school ought to be."

"But that's all *sub rosa*..."

"You leave Rosa out of this..."

Dang. Half of me would love to be in on all that. 'Specially since, oh man, this must be the nexus of beauty and brains. What jury could disagree with some of these student babes? Hot! "Whatever she says, Your Honor..."

I read the "good day" quote again, since I am, natch, waiting for Hank. He's supposed to be here at one. Coming from the po-lice headquarters. Picking up special parking permission for a filming job he's got, lucky devil. A commercial.

A friend told me about this place. Looks private, as if it's part of the law school, but actually it's open to the Great Unwashed. Even Hank, if he'll ever turn up.

Ah. Here he is.

"Hey, it's the White Rabbit," I say, "always late. How's Alice?"

"Parking, dude," says Hank. "We gonna eat? Got pre-shoot meeting this afternoon, lighting, positions, talent line-up..."

Yeah, yeah, Martin Scorsese. Bet he's only holding some light meter for some assistant assistant camera jockey.

Whatever. But here's the secret deal. Behind smoked-glass doors on Dean Castetter's courtyard hides this little deli. The Sidebar Deli. You enter a low-ceilinged, cream-and-aqua dining area and kitchen, and you're in the clutches of Esther, Monica,

Rosalinda, and Maria, four women chirping away in Spanish till you're ready to give an order.

Hank and I are looking mostly at the cold sandwiches, but they have hot ones, too, and daily specials. Today's is spaghetti and meatballs with garlic bread for \$4.25. Esther says other days they have, like, California wrap, filled with turkey, ham, avocado, bacon, or maybe a teriyaki chicken. Price is always the same, \$4.25.

"Sounds good," I say. "I'll go for the spaghetti and meatballs."

"Sorry, we've run out today."

"What?" I give Hank a sideways look, like, brother, if you hadn't been so late...

"We got plenty of other food," Esther says.

"Soup, salad, sandwiches."

She gestures at the wall menu. I see veggie burgers (\$2.95), a bunch of cold sandwiches, like BLT, turkey, roast beef, for \$2.95, cheese quesadillas \$2.25, and a bunch of hot sandwiches, all \$3.75. Tuna melt, French dip, hot pastrami, grilled chicken. Sounds interesting, and these are my kind of prices.

"Got salad?" Hank says.

"Yessir," Esther says. "Chicken, Caesar, tuna, all \$3.25."

"Give me a chicken. Hold the bread."

"Chicken, *sin pan*," says Esther to Maria at the prep table.

"And one of those Déjà Blue bottles of water." They're 60 cents.

Esther looks at me. I'm hungry but undecided.

"Okay," I say finally. "I'll take soup — what is it?"

"Barley and beef, \$1.25."

"And a French dip sandwich [\$3.75, with side salad] and, like, could you just cut me half an avocado?"

"That will be 60 cents extra."

"Fine. And a coffee. Sixty cents, right?"

"Right, but we're out of coffee."

Jeez. Body-blow number two.

"So how much, all together?" I ask.

"Dude, I'm paying," Hank says. Normally, I'd let him, but something about his in-the-movie-biz swagger that makes me take a stand.

"This is mine," I say. "How much?"

"It's \$10.88 for everything," Esther says.

"Let's not make a lawsuit of it, dude," says Hank. He's talking loud. "Remember, in *Chowhound vs. the People* it was clearly established: the first guy to the counter pays."

Five minutes later we've hauled it all outside to the courtyard. It's only now that I start to take in how, well, charming the space is. We're protected from the street by two levels of trees. Lilacs and others. The salmon-and-cream stucco and stone walls

make it all feel warm. Interlocking triangular shapes add to the coziness. Don't ask me why.

I look around. The tables are scattered with students carrying ton-weight books and ring-binders. Some have rolling carriers with them to help with the book case-load. The conversations sound long, lively. I feel as though I'm trespassing.

I open my little soup pot. Coffee: dark, steamy hot. I pick it up and take a big gulp. Ooh. Yes. Like bouillon.

"Great," I say. "Except I don't see no barley or beef."

"May it please the court," says Hank in a tired voice. "Witness has tampered with Exhibit A, the dip for his French dip sandwich. Request a, uh, Sidebar, to discuss location of actual soup."

"Very funny," I say. I go back inside, find my soup. It's thick with barley, filling, with plenty of beef. The problem is, when I get to my French dip, I run out of the dip. I'm eating dry. My own fault, but the avocado helps. It's great with ranch dressing in the hole. And wow, such a deal.

Suddenly, it's two o'clock. I know, 'cause not only is Hank tearing off to his Very Important Meeting, but everybody else disappears too. Classes, I guess. White rabbits all, heading for their wonderlands.

Sigh. It's just me, alone in the courtyard. The one guy who still hasn't got his life together. I look back at Robert K. Castetter and his funny motto.

"Every day's a good day, but some days are better than others."

"Enough," I say, "you've made your case." ■

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# David and Goliath

*"It's worse than plastic surgery...it's more evil."*

Patrick Nossiter doesn't make it easy on a guy. *Mondovino*, his documentary on the wine business (now out on video), seems to come down strongly on the side of the little guy, the lover of good, honest wine that reflects its place of origin. That's in opposition to the Corporate Wine Empires like Mondavi and the dreaded International Style being preached by consulting winemaker Michel Rolland and über-critic Robert Parker. Nossiter gives us rough-hewn, olde-timey charmers, true believers, and real disciples of the grape and sets them up against smooth men in suits, glib company heads, and self-admiring tastemakers. And I want to take his part; I like the little guys, too.

But sometimes, the little guys seem a bit off-kilter. Take New York-based importer Neal Rosenthal. On the one hand, Rosenthal is a sharp guy. Sitting in a Brooklyn diner and raging against people masking a wine's character by larding on the new oak, he says, "In France, they joke about 'Let's put on the *maquillage*, the makeup.' But it's much more dangerous than that, it's much more evil."

"Like plastic surgery?" asks Nossiter.

"It's worse than plastic surgery," replies Rosenthal, "because with plastic surgery, you can still get the interior person, but once this stuff is put on, wine has lost its soul." Very neatly put. Elsewhere, he says, "The Parker-Rolland marriage and the Napa-ization of wine in general is creat-

ing this type of wine.... The terroir is there; they're destroying it. I think, definitely, they are suppressing the terroir, much like our freedom is being suppressed now, in this country."

Hello? *Coming in from left field, the suppression of freedom in America...* Nossiter asks him what he's getting at.

"This sort of popular notion, 'Let's be patriotic; therefore, let's give up our freedoms.'" As he says this, his eyes begin to dart around the diner, as if he's looking for Big Brother. The bizarre jump from

winemaking to politics makes it just a little harder to take him seriously. *How real is this problem?*

It starts me reflecting back on an earlier moment, when, as Rosenthal is driving around Brooklyn and marveling at its unchanged character (Hasidic Jews still walking around), he says, "This is terroir." That's not helpful, especially if you're trying to defend terroir against people who dismiss it as poetry. Terroir is supposed to be a sensible reflection of a wine's place of origin — the thing that makes a Burgundy from one vineyard distinguishable from a Burgundy from a vineyard just down the road. Rosenthal's comment puts him in with the guy at Opus One in Napa, who tells a crowd of visitors that he wants the wine to make them think of this beautiful place. That's not terroir; that's association — and it's all in your head.

Rosenthal would not be happy to see himself lumped in with anyone over at Opus One. When

Jean-Luc Thunevin at Chateau Valandraud is asked why he uses 100 percent new oak barrels — *maquillage!* — he replies, "Opus One and all the great American wines are 100 percent new oak." Exactly what Rosenthal can't stand. Thunevin is the very personification of Rosenthal's problem — he hired Michel Rolland as a consultant and then got a high score from Robert Parker, which made Valandraud as a winery.

Even Bordeaux is succumbing. (That's me talking — I really do want to stand with the little guy.) Patrick Leon, winemaker at Chateau Mouton-Rothschild, tells us that all his barrels are new oak.

"Is that traditional or new?" Nossiter asks.

"It's almost traditional," says Rosenthal. God bless Nossiter for not following with, "Is that like 'almost pregnant'?"

The explanation for this comes from Xavier de Eizaguirre, Mouton's co-CEO of marketing. "Bordeaux has had to adapt to global tastes — wines that are more intense, oaky, flattering. The New World introduced wines that are easy to drink right away. They don't need the long maturation process of a Bordeaux. In the last 20 years, it's true, Bordeaux has evolved that way, too."

Statements like that are what lead Langeudoc winemaker Aime Guibert to say that Bordeaux "bought the idea that Parker matters." They're what lead Burgundy producer Hubert de Montille to say that Mouton Rothschild is "no longer credible. They've gone over to the other side. Mouton is a brand; they've marketed everything but the kitchen sink." Montille, on the other hand,



Hubert de Montille

says that he prefers to "cultivate place of origin" — terroir. "The place of origin beats out any brand."

Sounds good, but then Montille goes down the same road as Rosenthal. "Parker is one of the greatest advocates of American interests," he begins, clearly warming to the subject. "Because, in the US, in California, they know all about marketing. 'Let's hide our lack of terroir with the taste of new oak. We'll explain that wine should taste like the vanilla of new oak, and we'll convince the French, who really do have terroir, that that's what sells.' It started in the '70s; it was already Parker, because he rated the wines, and he rated them as a good American patriot. Because by rating wines based on the taste of oak, he followed his own personal taste, but he also serves the interests of California winemakers, who haven't yet had enough time to uncover their terroir. Get it?"

"On purpose, do you think?" asks Nossiter.

"Of course. I couldn't be clearer."

Nossiter seems to buy the line, because then

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he goes to the wine-consulting firm of Enologix and gets Leo McCloskey to say that of course there's a conspiracy between the American wine press and American producers. As he says it, Nossiter flips through a *Wine Spectator* stuffed with ads from wineries. The message is clear, except it's not. Because Parker — the object of Montille's rant — doesn't take ads for *The Wine Advocate*.

Further evidence that Montille is off the mark: "I'm a Francophile," says Parker in Elin McCoy's recent biography of him. "Nobody has promoted French wine the way I have in America." McCoy, hardly a sycophant, grants the point. "For him," she writes, "these classic wines were still the points of reference, the wines that he drank, not just tasted. His three cellars held some 12,000 bottles of wine, and 90 percent of it was French, mostly from Bordeaux, Alsace, and the Rhone." By 1989 — remember, "It started in the '70s" — Parker had given 19 100-point scores — all of them to French wines.

Montille complains that America is trying to impose its tastes upon France. What he doesn't mention is that before America dictated taste to the French, particularly in Bordeaux, it was the English who did it. For that information, Nossiter goes to Michael Broadbent of Christie's Auction House in London. "It used to be a British market," Broad-

bent says. "We were wealthy in the 18th Century, and in the 19th Century we were extremely wealthy." It's not the American winemakers imposing their tastes — it's the American consumers. Consumers are reading Parker and trusting his scores. Consumers are demanding those oaky, flattening, early-drinking wines. (Oak is sweet and yummy, and how many people have wine cellars? We're not all English lords.) Consumers drive the market.

There, I think, is *Mon-dovino's* biggest flaw — it doesn't talk to consumers. It hardly even talks about them. We do get a comment from Michael Broadbent on the use of consulting winemakers and the International Style: "To what extent does individuality fly out the window? I think I'd rather have an individual wine which is maybe not up to scratch rather than a wine which is made in a globally acceptable style and rather innocuous." Yes, well, Mr. Broadbent, that's just fine. I see your point. But you're a Master of Wine, an industry legend. You're hardly a typical consumer, and you know it.

In the film, Broadbent says that Rolland is making Pomerol-style wines all over the world — that's the "globally acceptable style." Then, honest soul that he is, he grants the key point, however lamentable he may find it: "And they're selling." ■

## RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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### NORTH COASTAL

**101 Cafe** 631 South Coast Highway 101, Oceanside, 760-722-5220. This is the oldest I'll 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)

**Azafran** 1001 South Coast Highway 101 (at West Street), Oceanside, 760-435-0005. This place just feels Cuban, with its echoey inside, bongos, washed orange walls, and giant Cuban jazz mural. We're talking Caribbean-style food, not hot by Mexican standards. Most delicious intro: traditional Cuban pressed sandwiches, hot-pressed to mix the juices of, say, smoked ham, roast pork, cheese, mustard, pickles ("Cubano #2"), or roast pork (*lechón*) with a *mojo* (garlicky-citrus) sauce that makes it juicy. The bread, baked right here, is news in itself — crunchy and sometimes sweet (ask for *medianoche*). You get a lot, but don't leave without trying a plantain dish or the cheese flan. Or a cup of Cuban coffee. Lunch and dinner. Closed Mondays. Inexpensive. — E.B. (3/04)

**Jamroc 101** 101 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-436-3162. At this former site of D.B. Hacker's, you can still get great fish'n'chips — but the Brit batter now gets its lift from Jamaica's Red Stripe beer, mon. The shack by the tracks now sports bright tropical designs on its back-patio walls, and the fare is casual Jamaican (plus a couple of Cajun dishes). Check out the bargain-priced samplers which include luscious soft-fried plantains and splendid patties (empanadas to you and me) with a choice of beef, curry chicken, or veggies. The spicing of the jerks and curry entrées are down-tuned to suit tourist tastes, but the table bottle of Walkerswood Scotch Bonnet Hot Sauce can kick that right up. Don't miss the fresh coconut water, served out of a young Thai coconut. Soca, ska, and (clean) reggae set the mood, and there's live steel pan some weekend evenings. Beer, wine, Bigga soft drinks. Open six days until 8 p.m. weeknights, 9 p.m. weekends. Closed Tuesdays. Inexpensive. — N.W. (4/05)

**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 evi-

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**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 cafe'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 filets, 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 Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/01)*

**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 ceil-

ings, tall arched windows, rose-cream walls, fireplaces, and charming Gallic paintings make for an eye-ful, 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 DiCrescenzo 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; reservations urged for weekends to save a long wait. The exterior patio sports a big, funny mural, and the interior is carved into several rooms (helps keep the noise down) camped up with cute "Old West" cantina decor. Weekend brunch; lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (7/04)*

**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 kitchen has time to stretch. The wine list is fabulous but exorbitant 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 light-house-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 portions 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 charbroiled 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.*

**Sbicca American Bistro** 215 15th Street, Del Mar, 858-481-1001. Though characterized as an "American Bistro," Chef Susan Sbicca ("speeka") also reveals Asian and Mexican influences in her creative menu. Set in a one-time private home a block from the Del Mar coast, this lively restaurant boasts five dining rooms, including one downstairs with a fireplace and a "wine room" upstairs for private parties. In fair weather, the outdoor rooftop patio is the best seat in the house. The menu changes seasonally, though a few perennial favorites remain. The rich, deeply flavored lobster-shrimp bisque with overtones of sweet butter pastry is worth a return visit. A thick maple-



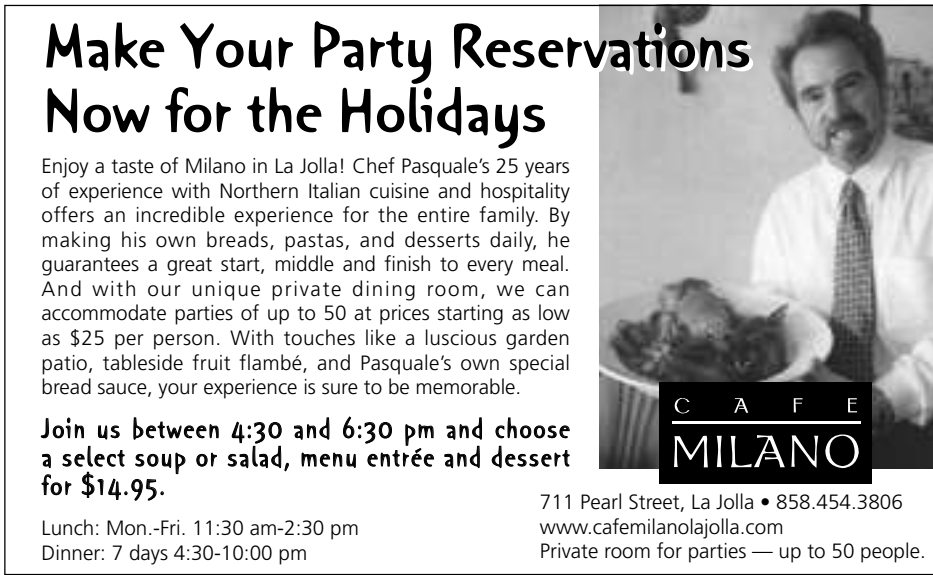
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roasted pork prime rib with vanilla-scented sweet potatoes and bourbon chantilly sauce is a house favorite, although not quite as exquisite as the soup. Monday nights feature \$3 martinis; on Tuesdays and Thursdays, all bottles of wine from the fine California-centric wine list are 50% off. No corkage fee on Wednesdays. Crowded during racing season. Lunch weekdays; dinner nightly. Expensive. — *B.D. (5/05)*

LA JOLLA

**Cafe Japengo** The Aventine, 8960 University Center Lane, La Jolla, 858-450-3355. Here Bentleys and Beamers far outnumber Buicks. Inside is contemporary with an Asian flair, complete with kimono stands and bamboo forests. Sushi is the specialty, and it's above average, although the sushi bar chefs aren't very friendly, and the seasoned rice tastes quite salty. The unavailability of highly prized fatty tuna (*toro*) and the replacement of *to-biko* (flying fish roe) with inferior *masago* (smelt roe) are minor disappointments, but the *uni* (sea urchin roe) is pristine. If you appreciate subtlety, try the egg-omelet sushi (*tamago*), a delightful mixture of eggs, sake, and mirin. Creative party rolls are especially popular here, including the amusing Tootsie Roll — sweet and spicy, crunchy and spongy, with fried soft shell crab topped with grilled shitake mushrooms, avocado, and a sake marinade. Entrées are often a letdown, but diners may be satisfied to make a meal from appetizers like the Char Su Duck Salad with goat cheese, candied pecans, and pomegranate vinaigrette; Duck Wontons with coriander pesto and ponzu sauce; and an excellent *kim chee* martini. No reservations for the sushi bar; arrive early for prompt seating. Lunch weekdays only; sushi bar opens at 5 p.m.; dinner begins at 6 p.m. Very expensive. — *B.D. (10/05)*

**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 pot stickers, *lumpia*, "Kahana" *shutome* (swordfish), or chocolate soufflé. Special dietary requests accommodated, including vegetarian meals. Reserve, and hope for a table far from the rau-

cous bar. Open nightly. Very expensive. — *N.W. (4/01)*

**Sky Room** Top floor of La Valencia Hotel, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla, 858-454-0771. The stunning ocean view offers three essentials for a memorable evening: privacy, intimacy, and the ability to talk without the interruption of noise. The food is a feast to the eyes as well as the palate. Best bets: abalone and scallop steak appetizer, the daily soup, diver scallops, and lobster. Dinner only, with two seatings on weekends. Very expensive. — *E.W. (10/99)*

**Zenbu** 7660 Fay Avenue (at Kline Street), La Jolla, 858-454-4540. It was a natural for fisherman-restaurateur 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 *umi* (sea urchin) served on its shell most weekends. Cooked fish entrées feature equally sparkling seafood, sometimes in almost goofily elaborate preparations. No reservations; 30-minute wait likely on weekends. 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

**94th Aero Squadron** 8885 Balboa Avenue, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-6771. One of San Diego's hidden jewels: there's classic American fare (honey-

glazed pork tenderloin, farmhouse chicken) in the "Officers' mess," but better yet is the free buffet Happy Hour — pig heaven weekdays from 3:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Selections might include a "stroganoff" of Polish sausage, veggies, cheese potatoes, nachos, etc. (Of course, you have to buy something — say, a pitcher of Bud for two.) Thursdays and Fridays, the outside "Runway" grill features kebabs. The biggest attraction is the place itself. Built to mimic a WWI French farmhouse taken over by a bunch of Yankee flying aces, it has a garden full of antique planes and live ducks — and right outside, the real Montgomery airfield. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (11/00)*

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**Korea House** 4620 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-560-0080. Korea House offers floor seating or a table if you want to barbecue your own food. The menu offers fine “down-home” Korean food, such as traditional *mandoo* (beef) dumplings, *gaejang backban*, or raw crab, and *yookhwe*, a steak tartare worth risking. Make a meal from enormous appetizers like *gul bosam* (raw oysters, pork, and cabbage leaves). Open daily. Inexpensive to moderate. — *M.N. (9/98)*

**Nijiya Market** 3860 Convoy Street, Kearny Mesa, 858-268-3821. If you're not willing to sacrifice quality for convenience when eating fast food, try this Japanese market in Kearny Mesa. Nijiya Market offers prepared box lunches, or *bento*, that are pretty to look at, appetizing, and a real bargain. I suggest, however, passing by Nijiya's steam trays and heat lamps and going straight to the coolers, where you'll find delicious chicken cutlets, fresh sushi, and chilled noodles, as well as dessert delicacies like sweet bread roll filled with sweet bean paste. Inexpensive. — *M.N. (8/99)*

**Pampas Argentine Grill** 8690 Aero Drive (at Montgomery Field), Kearny Mesa, 858-278-5971. The Argentine specialties feature grilled grass-fed beef, including a somewhat Americanized version of the *gauchos'* great *parillada*

*mixta* (mixed grill), with a great chorizo but minus any exotic organs. The naturally raised meats are lower fat and lower cholesterol than feed-lot beef but are salted heavily in the kitchen unless you request otherwise. Specify rare or medium-rare, unless you really like brown cardboard. Lighter fare includes free-range chicken and fresh, well-treated seafood. Beef empanadas are a tasty, authentic starter. Potatoes (fries and mashed) are splendid, salads are exuberant. The full bar features Chilean and Argentine beverages with many affordable South American wines by the glass. Park in lot at restaurant's front door, not the back-door lot. Lunch (mainly sandwiches) on weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/02)*

**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 rotisseried 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 cheese-cakes — 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

**Baleen** Paradise Point Resort, 1404 Vacation Road (off Ingraham 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, pecking 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)*

**Brazil by the Bay Restaurant and Sports Bar** 3770 Hancock Street, Loma Portal, 619-692-1410. It's not by the bay, but the food is definitely by-the-book Brazilian. You know because the first things you see are *guaraná*, the Amazonian energy drink, and *açaí*, the Amazonian palm berry energy bowl. If you're not strapped for cash, go for the popular *feijoada* stew, black beans cooked slowly with “six types of pork and two kinds of beef.” If don't have the dough, have what most of Brazil eats every day: the “PF,” *prato feito* (“ready plate”). It's beef, chicken, or fish with rice and Brazilian beans. End with the cheapest dessert, the wicked *brigadeiro*. Come early evening or weekends and you might learn the *forró* (“fo-ha”), a Brazilian dance. Open seven days; closes early Monday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Hawaiian Island Barbecue** Pacific Plaza, 1768 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-9830. What do folks really eat in Hawaii? What they serve here: plate lunches. Which means two scoops of rice, one scoop of mac-

aroni salad, and then whatever, like garlic shrimp, mahi mahi or fried shrimp, Hawaiian BBQ chicken, chicken *katsu*, Hawaiian BBQ beef or short ribs, even hamburger steak. But to go all-out Hawaiian, try the chicken *lau lau* (chicken and butterfish wrapped in taro leaves), slow-cooked *kalua* pig (don't call it pork) with cabbage, or *limu poke* (seaweed and raw tuna). Barbecue? Their BBQ Mix (Hawaiian BBQ beef, chicken, short ribs, with rice or macaroni salad) is a deal. Authentic? Count the Hawaiians around you. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**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 be-

low. 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 takeout. 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 fritata 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-crusting Pacific red snapper. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (6/04)*

**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.



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**Sapporo Japanese Restaurant**  
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les) and *champon* noodle soup (*udon*  
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**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. Fri-

**Sang Dao** 4212 National Avenue, Logan Heights, 619-263-0914. Laos has an exotic Shangri-La thing about it, yet the large family that run this eatery will tell you Lao food is quite plain and simple: vegetables, freshwater fish, chicken, pork, occasional beef, sticky rice, and noodles. But taste their delicious spicy

**Ana Maria's** 8680 Navajo Road (northwest corner at Lake Murray Boulevard), San Carlos, 619-337-3674. In this homey little restaurant, the food is regional Peruvian, specializing in the

**D.Z. Akin's** 6930 Alvarado Road, Alvarado Plaza, College Area, 619-265-0218. Surely the best Jewish delicatessen in San Diego. Soups are wonderful, and so are the 110 sandwiches, especially the corned beef. The *knishes* and chopped liver easily rival Mother's. Excellent breakfasts and outstanding, fully stocked bakery. Open daily, breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Inexpensive to moderate. — E.W.

**Jasmine Bistro** Westfield Plaza, 315 Parkway Plaza (at Fletcher and the 67 Freeway), El Cajon, 619-588-8228. A gleaming little architectural jewel surrounded by the big white boxes of its mall, Jasmine Bistro is a spin-off of the well-known Jasmine Hong Kong Seafood Restaurant on Convoy. By day, the fare centers on fresh, expertly made Chinese dim sum (elaborate finger-food) offered both by cart and by menu. At night a fresh crew of multi-ethnic chefs step in to cook up a Pan-Asian panoply, so if you're in the mood for Mandarin and your date wants Thai, no problem. Unfortunately, eaters in this suburban milieu won't stand for too much authenticity, so sophisticated diners may find the fare a little dumbed-down. Mainly Californ-

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nia wine list suggests wine pairings for the food; numerous Asian beers, fruity drinks. Reserve for weekend dinners. Daily brunch/lunch through early dinner (until 9 p.m. weeknights, 9:30 weekends). Mainly moderate (except for some special entrées). — *N.W. (5/04)*

### FAR EAST

**Kountry Kitchen** 826 Main Street, Ramona, 760-789-3200. Thank goodness the Kountry Kitchen's still around. They still open at 5 a.m. for the farmers and anyone else who's up then. They still make their own sausages, and grind their own burger meat, too. The Italian Sausage Breakfast is truly delicious: a fat pale-brown sausage with a rich, sharp, livery flavor, along with eggs and hash browns. Up there, too, is the Cowpoke Country Special, a buttermilk short stack with eggs and sausages or bacon. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**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 tender meats, evidently chosen to be gentle to the dentures of the duffers. Desserts are few and very sweet. Full bar; great (but pricey) wine list. Collared shirts and jackets required on

men (they'll lend you a jacket if needed), dressy-casual wear on women. Open daily, continuously (in theory) from breakfast through dinner. Reserve for weekend evenings. Very expensive. — *N.W. (4/03)*

**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

**Adams Avenue Grill** 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

**Arrividerci Italian Restaurant** 3845 Fourth Street, Hillcrest, 619-299-6282. However you picture an idealized Italian restaurant — sprawling café on the strada or little cozy corner as in *Moonstruck* — somehow Arrividerci is "it." The straight-from-Rome look of the crowded sidewalk deck and yellow-and white-awning helps. The menu is a big yet familiar regional potpourri. Reliable standards include *vitello bel monte* (veal in a brandy cream sauce with tomatoes); "straw and hay" (*paglio e fieno al pesto*), pale yellow-and-green pasta with string beans and pine nuts in a delicious pesto sauce; baby rack of lamb with rosemary; or shellfish pasta dishes like linguine *mediterraneo*, with clams, mussels, and big garlicky shrimp. Part of the fun is bumping chairs. Think dining car on a narrow-gauge railroad — you're that close to the next table. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate. — *E.B. (7/04)*

**Berta's Latin American Restaurant** 3928 Twigg's Street (at Congress, diagonal to Rockin' Baja Lobster), Old Town, 619-295-2343. Sampling the whole range of little-known cuisines from Guatemala down to Patagonia, Berta's lengthy menu reads like a culinary "pick hits" list of each country's best flavors, typically rendered with expertise and verve. Some outstanding dishes include sweet-savory Chilean *pastel de choclo* (a casserole of beef, chicken, and corn pudding) from Berta's homeland, spicy ceviche and subtle *seco de cordero* (citrus-flavored lamb stew) from Peru, earthy Guatemalan *chilemal* (cilantro-laden pork stew), aromatic beef curry from Trinidad, and a sensuous *vatapa* (seafood in coconut sauce) from Brazil's African-influenced Bahia coast. Vegetarians will find many meat-and-fowl-free options. Lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

**Cafe Pacifica** 2414 San Diego Avenue (next to Old Town graveyard), Old Town, 619-291-6666. The fare here is mainly very fresh seafood, either fusioned up and somewhat chancy, or grilled simply and reliably excellent. Among the highlights are a clean-limned clam chowder, some amusing yellowfin-stuffed wontons, crab-stuffed

portobello mushrooms, and luscious mustard-crusted Oregon catfish. On the downside, Mexican pink abalone are tiny, over-breaded, and overpriced. Several good grilled meats are available for fish-scorners. Optional valet parking \$4. Wheelchair lot and ramp behind restaurant (ask valet to direct you). Often very noisy. Serious, rather steep California wine list; full bar. Daily, dinner only. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Crest Cafe** 425 Robinson Avenue (at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-295-2510. "Hearty Homemade Comfort Food" is the boast, and this small retro-deco café backs it up. Cecelia and her dad, Luis Moreno, took over this place back in 1985. Some staff have been here since the start. Loyal customers get their photos and names on an honor roll that fills one wall. Lots of lazy ceiling fans, long, hanging blue lights, and art. "Matisse in Morocco," Salvador Dali, Frida Kahlo. Consider momsy dishes like Sloppy Joes, honey-glazed pork chops, or the healthy Vegetable Steam Basket. And don't turn down their 11 different kinds of burgers, including the Fresh Salmon Burger, the OuiOui Burger ("aged bleu cheese crumbled under melted jack cheese") or the wicked, spicy Butter Burger (half a pound of lean ground beef stuffed with garlic, tarragon, basil, parsley butter, topped with cheese, garlic-paprika-cayenne-cumin mayo and more butter). Best of all, late hours: open 7 a.m. to midnight, seven days. Dinner at 11 is no problem. How rare is that in San Diego? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Fifth and Hawthorn** 515 Hawthorn Street (at Fifth Avenue), Banker's Hill, 619-544-0940. This warm, cozy cottage near Balboa Park offers once-radical dishes that have long since turned into familiar California comfort cuisine. The menu changes only slightly and the kitchen has the dishes down so pat that execution is almost inhumanly flawless. It's a little like an ideal airplane dinner — on the Concorde, say. Highlights include spicy duck soup, tender stuffed chicken breast, melting calamari steaks, and mustard-coated catfish. Most weeknights, couples can opt for a "wine dinner" that includes four

courses and a decent bottle of wine — a great bargain. Full bar, reasonable California-dominated wine list. Good pre-theatre dinner spot (near the Old Globe); let server know your curtain time. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Dinner nightly. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (2/03)*

**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 coffee-shop 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)*

**Jack and Giulio's Italian Restaurant** 2391 San Diego Avenue (at Arista), Old Town, 619-294-2074. After more than four decades in business, this father (Giulio) and son (Jack) operation manages to stay fresh. The antipasto salad with its thin-cut prosciutto and salami will get your juices flowing, or try the mango salad, with fresh mango, raisins, and sweet onions. All the traditional Italian entrées like veal parmigiana and fettuccine Alfredo are there, but go for the house specialties like Spaghetti New Orleans with shrimp, crawfish, and crab meat, or the expensive scampi dishes. Broke? Get a simple Angel Hair Mediterraneo or rigatoni with meat sauce to enjoy out on the patio. Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Moderate. — *E.B. (5/04)*

**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)*

**Pomegranate Russian-Georgian Restaurant** 2302 El Cajon Boulevard (northeast corner of Louisiana), University Heights, 619-297-4007. Pomegranate's address is serendipitous, since the food of Deep-South

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**Soltan Banoo Persian Eatery & Tearoom** 4646 Park Boulevard (at Adams Avenue), University Heights, 619-298-2801. It's colorful, small, and intimate. This two-room café pulsates with multicolored cloths, midnight blue cushions, Aladdin-shaped pitchers and samovars. What you're eating is basically Persian health food — most Persian fare is healthy food anyway. Try the pomegranate soup, made of spinach with lentils, beans, wheat, and pomegranate juice, or the strawberry tabbouleh salad. Lamb is often a part of dishes. *Ghournneh sabzi* is a lamb stew. *Koufteh-Berenji* is a ball of basmati rice with lamb, eggs, onions, and plums. And don't forget tea. They have everything from Darjeeling and Caspian to Lapacho Bark, Black Peach, and, if you really need a boost, Temple of Heaven Gunpowder. Breakfast through earlyish dinner Tuesday to Saturday; breakfast and lunch only, Sundays. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

**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)*

**Bangkok BBQ** 936 Broadway Circle, 619-231-4124. "We're the revolutionaries," says the owner of this chicken-only Thai eatery. "We're taking Thai food back to its true tastes." The place may look modern, but what seems to be prepared traditionally on the spot, from tamarind sauce to bean curd. The "BBQ" part comes from the open grill upfront where they sizzle chicken, marinated in coconut milk and wine, for the *satés*, salads, and the basic chicken with rice dish. The chicken *mussamun* is nice and rich with its curry coconut sauce, and you've got to try the dish the owner invented to honor the city: the San Diego Wrap, with chicken *saté*, avocado, raw veggies, and peanut sauce. Lunch, dinner, daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/04)*

**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 an indifferent 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 Longboard 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 actu-

ally 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, downtown, 619-233-4355. "Live music is complimentary with purchase of a dinner entrée" at this restaurant and bar run by Ingrid Croce in honor of her late husband, Jim. Appetizers that mix flavors — like the baked brie and honey-roasted garlic served with mixed greens and a Grand Marnier berry compote — are delicious. But despite creative dishes, like New Zealand sea bass with a pomegranate-macadamia crust, few entrées rise above the level of average Gaslamp fare. Simple is best here — the rich and creamy shrimp *carbonara* fettuccine with Italian pancetta, Kalamata olives, and basil in a white garlic cream sauce. For dessert, try the flourless chocolate cake with roasted walnuts and pecans served with Tahitian vanilla bean gelato and Verona chocolate sauce. The menu is seasonal, so we can hope that the rhubarb and pear crisp (or "rhubarb and pear soggy") does not make the cut next season. Sit by the window for great people-watching or retire to the bar if you prefer live jazz. Open nightly for dining and music. Expensive. — *B.D. (10/05)*

**Deco's** 731 Fifth Avenue (between G and F), Gaslamp, 619-696-DECO. When the disco is not in session here, there's surprisingly fine food in this vast, multiroom glamorama, stunningly done up like a Fred-and-Ginger 1930s ballroom. The eats are in a lightly adventurous California-Asian-Mediterranean mode featuring quality seafood handled with care and creativity; don't miss the ethereal bread pudding for dessert. (The requisite sushi "party rolls" are merely okay.) Service is hip, smart, and kind. Best dining nights:

disco-less Tuesday and Wednesday. Call ahead if you want to book an off-menu meal. No cover charge on disco nights for patrons who order dinner before 9 p.m.; no sneaks, shorts, or T's if you're clubbing. Serious wine list runs high; full bar. Happy hour Friday; dinner 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Thursdays through Sunday. Very expensive, but somewhat affordable if you graze on appetizers. — *N.W. (7/03)*

**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: *caldó 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 successes. 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 "Cowboy 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, weekends until 11 p.m. Fish moderate, meats expensive. — *N.W. (7/03)*

**McCormick & Schmick's** Omni Hotel, 675 L Street (at Sixth Avenue), downtown, 619-645-6545. This ever-expanding chain from the Pacific Northwest may be the Starbucks of fish. Most of the dishes are still the corporate specialties, pleasing rather than exciting. The daily changing menu features about 30 varieties of fresh seafood, delivered daily in over 50 preparations, plus a handful of poultry and meat dishes. The long, interesting, mainly reasonable wine list is printed on back of the daily menu. Restaurant is often busy at lunch and packed for early dinners during Petco home-game nights, so reserve when the team's in town. A heated terrace is mainly used during lunch and game nights. Full bar. Open daily, three meals to 11 p.m. Lunch moderate; dinner moderate to expensive — *N.W. (10/05)*

**Patty's Fruitland** 1789 National Avenue (at Beardsley), Barrio Logan, 619-239-3085. Patty used to sell fresh fruit drinks outside a church in Guanajuato. 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.



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**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)*

**Ra Sushi** 1014 Fifth Avenue (at Broadway), downtown, 619-321-0021. Big and splashy, this Arizona-based chain restaurant tries to create a high-energy party atmosphere with loudish music and louder "Oriental" decor. Its grazing menu features sushi, sashimi, hosts of Asian-oid appetizers, plus a few substantial noodle dishes and entrées. The food's a mixture of the dire and the delicious — old, pulpy *edamame* versus magnificent miso soup, delicate dilled salmon and desiccated *katsu*. The sushi rice is well seasoned, but the products are inconsistent from hour to hour and roll to roll, depending on how long ago the seafood was defrosted and how recently the rice was cooked. You take your chances, but it's fun anyway. Reservations accepted, even for sushi bar. Numerous Asian beers and sakes, affordable wines, full bar specializing in fancy cocktails. Those with fading eyesight may need a penlight to read menu. Daily, lunch through dinner, to 11 p.m. Moderate. — *N.W. (5/04)*

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## RESTAURANTS

**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. *Amabi* (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, cuke, 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)

**Vincenzo Ristorante Italiano** 1702 India Street, Little Italy, 619-702-6181. The specialty at this tourist favorite is Sicilian seafood. The cooking is competent, but the restaurant's fishmonger settles for ordinary quality (as does the produce provider). The meat jobber does a better job, providing succulent lamb and veal that the chef grills expertly, and the Italian sausages (from Pete's Meats, up the block) are the zestiest in town. The restaurant's hard-surfaced interior is so noisy you'll hear every conversation but your own; reserve for the sidewalk patio for a quieter evening. Open lunch weekdays, dinner nightly. Moderate. — N.W. (8/01)

### SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

**Bino's European Coffees and Crepes** 1120 Adella Avenue (just off Orange Avenue), Coronado, 619-522-0612. This little round-the-corner café (south of the Post Office) has to be good: it's a favorite retreat for local chefs. Bino bakes his own breads and croissants daily and creates great crunchy sandwiches. Try the Brie Fantasy (chicken breast, roasted marinated peppers, double cream Brie cheese) or the roast beef and jack cheese. Even the veggie sandwich squishes with luscious eggplant, and the crêpes are delicious and filling too. Bino's wife is Austrian and makes great Viennese-style coffee. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

**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)

**Galley at the Marina** 550 Marina Parkway, Chula Vista, 619-422-5714. This is a great place to relax, take in the view and decide which yacht you're gonna buy when you win the lotto. It's run by Fran Muncey, widow of Bill Muncey, San Diego's greatest speed-boat-racing champion. The tasty, bargain-priced Happy Hour specials (3 p.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday) make a visit worth the trip west of I-5: try a 1/2-pound steerburger with French fries, chicken Caesar salad with

sourdough toast, or a filet mignon steak plate with steak fries. Next morning, catch the breakfast favorite: biscuits and sausage gravy with eggs. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/00)

**Point-National Joint** 916 East Eighth Street, Point Joint, 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)

**Rhinoceros** 1166 Orange Avenue (at Loma Avenue), Coronado, 619-435-2121. This bright, hectic bistro next door to the Lamb's Players Theatre draws pre-theatre crowds as well as locals — and that may be a problem, since the rushed pace of service doesn't abate even after the playgoers have departed. Perhaps that's why there are few appetizer choices (as though to discourage diners from spending extra time at the table). You may even be charged a "split plate" fee for sharing a first course despite ordering individual entrées. Meat and fish choices are simply prepared with ingredients of ordinary quality and generic veggie accompaniments. Why, then, is Rhino so popular? Pasta (and nothing but pasta) is the answer — that's where the kitchen shines. Very noisy when crowded; street tables are slightly quieter despite heavy traffic. Reservations advised for weekends, pre-

show dinners. Moderate (pastas) to expensive. — N.W. (7/01)

**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), mous-saka (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

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**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

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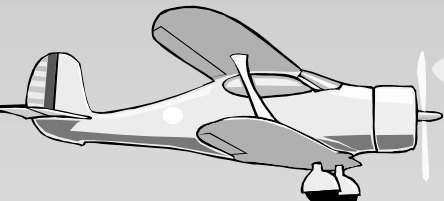
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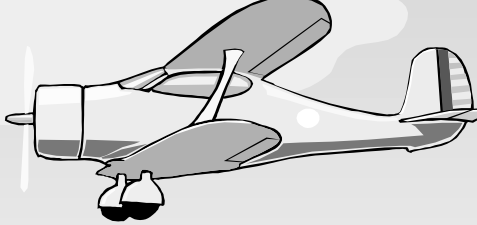
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**Mariscos el Locochon** Popotla fishing village, five minutes south of Rosarito Beach (non-toll road), dirt road next to Fox studios. There are smarter places to eat, like Puerto Nuevo. Even in Popotla, most other eateries look more like, well, eateries. 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)

**Salon Azteca** Rosarito Beach Hotel, south end of Boulevard Benito Juárez, Rosarito, 661-612-1111. This fabled old hotel’s all-you-can-eat Sunday brunch buffet offers a great excuse to check out the gorgeous architecture and meet other travelers in town. To reach the buffet, go to the left behind the registration desk to the Salon Azteca, walk in, grab a plate, and start dishing up your breakfast from the long line of cafeteria-like bins filled with *gringo*, *gringo-Mex*, real Mexican (*menudo*), and international specialties. Expect to tip if you want something from the omelet or carving station. Next, plunk down at a table where a waiter will arrive to serve you juice and endless cups of decent coffee. Casual dress. Secure parking in hotel lot for a small extra charge. Sundays only, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Somewhat expensive for the area; Visa and MasterCard accepted. — *N.W.* (4/03)

**Saverio’s Restaurant Mediterraneo** Boulevard Sánchez Taboada #3151 (at Escuadrón 201 Street), Zona Río, Tijuana, 686-6442. When Javier Plascencia Huerta wanted to open an Italian restaurant, he went all the way. He built a complete Tuscan villa right next to venerable Hacienda *Cien Años*. “But then,” says Plascencia, “I got interested in what Baja California has to offer.” The result: an Italian *palazzo* offering an

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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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# Semi-Happy Halloween

*It would simplify matters if the treatment were as distasteful as the subject matter.*

Can I see *Saw II* if I didn't see *Saw* to the end? Or is it more to the point to ask why would I want to? Whenever I am deciding I have had enough of a movie, I am looking only as far ahead as *The End*. (Egad, another hour of this... another forty-five minutes... another thirty....)

I am never looking as far ahead as a possible sequel. In today's market, this is clearly shortsighted of me. And yet, calculation of the odds on a sequel, like calculation of box-office prospects, seems outside critical jurisdiction. At least it seems outside mine. When, as a case in point, I took myself to the remake of *The Fog* (unscreened for the press) in the afternoon on opening day, there were maybe a half-dozen customers in attendance, and I could feel safe in sneaking out early on little cat feet, wondering only about (1) why anyone had troubled to make the movie in the first place and (2) why I had troubled to go to it, while wondering nothing at all about What Happens Next. Then Monday morning

## REVIEW

DUNCAN SHEPHERD

rolled around, and — lo and behold — *The Fog* emerged as America's Number One Movie, and the odds on a sequel must have dropped to even money. (I did not make the same mistake with the new Number One Movie, *Doom*. I made the other mistake: seeing it through.) But that patch of fog — a future sequel — is a concern for another day. The concern this day is *Saw II*, and if someone will be so kind as to tell me how the first one turned out, I might consider the second. Depending.

In the meantime, my cinematic celebration of Halloween will be limited to the anthology film at the Ken for the week, *Three Extremes*, three tales of the macabre, extreme indeed, from three different Asian directors, Hong Kong's Fruit Chan, Korea's Chan-wook Park, and Japan's Takashi Miike, in that order, roughly forty minutes apiece. Hardly the lineup of *Eros* earlier in the year, with Wong Kar-wai, Steven Soderbergh, and Michelangelo Antonioni — partly, but



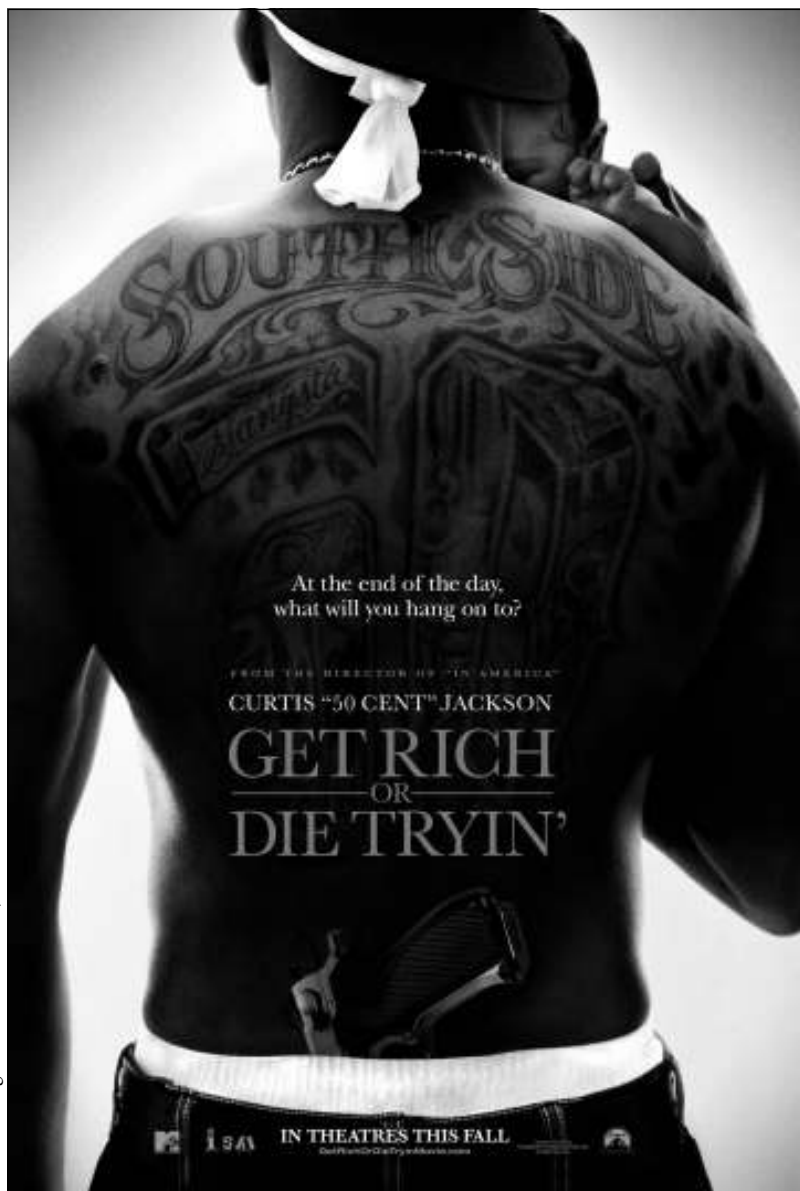
*Three Extremes*

not solely, because the first name rings no bell with me at all. Surely I would remember if I'd ever seen a film by a Fruit Chan.

As in *Eros*, though, the first man up sets the bar far too high for his successors, even if not remotely as high as Wong set it. Chan's offering, titled "Dumplings," is apparently a con-

densation of a feature-length film of the same name, an *extremely* twisted twist on the fountain-of-youth theme. The fountain in this instance would be the pricey homemade dumplings of the tenement-dwelling Bai Ling, whose flawless face and hinted-at advanced age are their best advertisement: "My dumplings are worth it. You get what

you pay for." An over-the-hill TV actress, Miriam Yeung, with a wandering husband to reel in, is willing to pay the price, even when the secret ingredient is revealed to be aborted human fetuses, chopped up very fine. I am not giving away much there. This is nowhere near the story's punchline, although the witnessed abortion



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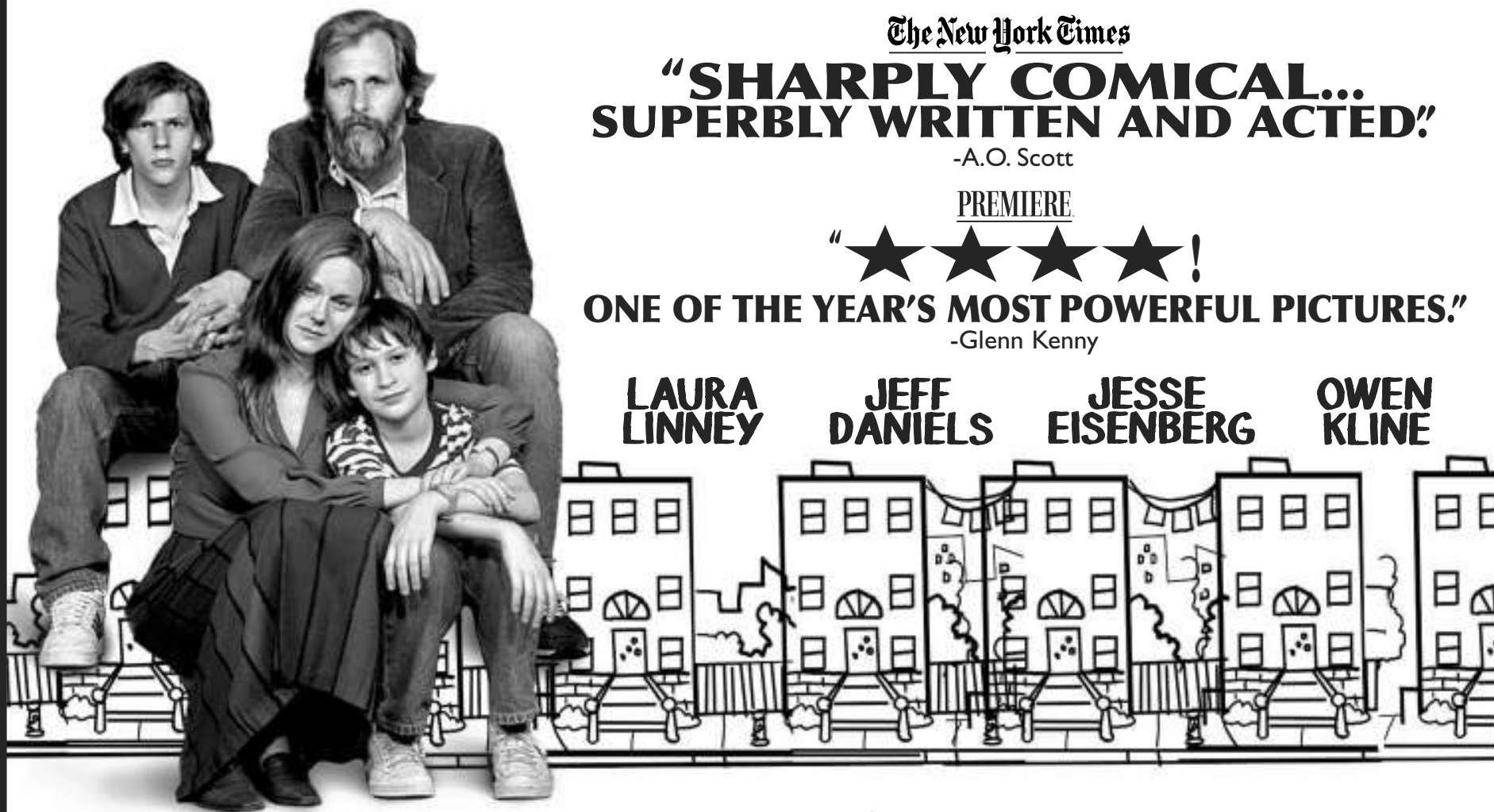
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achieves an early and unchallenged pinnacle in gore. Because this revelation isn't the punchline, the viewer is obliged to sit for a while with the idea of self-indulgence, the idea of narcissism, at its most — shall we say again? — *extreme*. Shall we even say its *logical* extreme? The actual punchline, after what has preceded it, feels like the merest tap.

It would no doubt simplify matters if the treatment here were as distasteful as the subject matter. As distasteful, for example, as the original *Saw*. But in fact Chan's touch is very controlled and assured — *extremely* so — and his eye is that of an artist. Had the color been mixed in oils on a palette, I would know to say that it has a lot of white in it. I do not have the technical know-how to guess what was done by Chan and/or his cameraman — Wong Kar-wai's man, Christopher Doyle — but the results are a milky atmosphere vaguely reminiscent of Carl Dreyer's *Vampyr* and

an overall tasteful muting of the otherwise gaudy hues on display. Wong himself could little improve on the appreciation of fabric and pattern and décor and such. The viewing experience, torn as it is between the savory and the unsavory, may be a bit uncomfortable, but it is a long way from torture. And if it does not awaken in me a hunger to see the longer version of the film, it does awaken a hunger for more Fruit.

I knew better what to expect from the director of *Oldboy* and *Sympathy for Mr. Vengeance*, Chan-wook Park, and frankly I expected better. I was not wrong to expect an element of revenge: the ostensible retaliation of an envy-eaten Have-Not against a Have, a faceless film extra against a fat-cat filmmaker who has employed the extra in all five of his films yet never really noticed him. But the situation, not to flatter it by calling it a plot, is both overcontrived and overextended. The filmmaker-within-the-film, "the John Waters of Korea," is tied to a red tether of some length; his pianist wife, gagged, is held in place at the keyboard inside a spider's web of wires; and an unknown child sits on the couch, also

bound and gagged. The tether is just long enough to reach the child but not the wife; and the avenger, given to fits of unfunny clowning, as if auditioning for a Quentin Tarantino film, tries to coerce the filmmaker to strangle the child through the persuasive method of chopping off the wife's fingers one by one. It goes on and on, and fingers come off and off. (The title, "Cut," is in the vicinity of a pun.) A horrible bore, a boring horror, it put me more than a little in mind of *Saw*, and had it likewise gone on to feature-length, I'd have likewise left early. (The *Eros* comparison continues to hold: the middle part, the Soderbergh, was the low point there as well.) And in strongest contrast to Chan's opening segment, the image is dark, inky, heavy, and the camerawork gimmicky, splashy, sloppy.

Takashi Miike's contribution, "Box," is a return, at least partway, to control and assurance, in alternating tones of cool blue and toasty yellow, yet it is not a return from boredom. The ghostly apparitions early on (a Japanese specialty) are spookily well done, but the abstractness of the dream narrative — a working-out of sisterly rivalry and fatherly favoritism, not without some grisliness, some claustrophobia combined with combustion — is uninvolved at best and soporific at worst. The relative tameness, the relative discreetness, in comparison to Miike's *Gozu* and *Audition*, to say nothing of Park's "Cut," ought not to

be something to bemoan, however.

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Over a year ago, right around fourteen months ago, I vowed in print never to purchase another copy of the more and more unreadable and unusable *TV Guide*. I am happy to report I have stayed clean ever since. Now the magazine, rather than simply admit defeat, has come out in a larger, redesigned format that moves even farther away from its former area of monopoly — the stuff I craved as a weekly habit — and more toward the crowded field of *People*, *Us*, and the like. Who needs it? Even without the admission, this is a clear defeat. And another end of an era. ■

## MOVIE LISTINGS

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**Capote** — Truman Capote, that is, during the six years it took to research and write his "nonfiction novel," *In Cold Blood*. Regardless of how true a story, it is truly a good story, whose claim on our attention is not that it's factual but that it's fascinating. It is the story, at bottom, of an artist at work; a writer in pursuit of a subject; an established novelist, a Manhattan dandy transplanted from the Deep South, who, for reasons unclear, clips out an item from *The*

*New York Times* of November 15, 1959, about the massacre of a family in rural Kansas, and who promptly gets the go-ahead from the editor at *The New Yorker* to hop a train to the scene of the crime. The story, then, of an exotic fruit in the Midwest breadbasket, with his nasally lisping castrato drawl and his ankle-length camel's-hair coat and flowing boa-like scarf. ("Bergdorf's," he volunteers, fingering the scarf under the inquisitive gaze of an agent from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, who, tugging on his hat brim when taking his leave, says in turn, "Sears, Roebuck.") The story of a man who, in the end, fits his chosen title as well as either the murderers or their executioners. It is not a story with a moral to it, although some viewers will feel compelled, for their own comfort, to draw one; it is simply, and complicatedly, the story of an artist at work. In its general outline — what price art? — it may be a bit old-hat; in its particulars it is like-new. Philip Seymour Hoffman, even after you have gotten over the initial funniness of his celebrity impersonation, serves as our constant reminder to take the story with a grain of salt, to put quotation marks around the name of Capote. His whole-souled commitment to the part, his concentration, his emotion, his expressiveness, his nuance, his multiplicity — all of that helps to make a good story better. Whether or not truer. With Catherine Keener, Chris Cooper, Clifton Collins, Jr., and Bruce Greenwood; written by Dan Futterman; directed by Bennett Miller. 2005.  
★★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN, FROM 10/28; FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 10/28; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12, FROM 10/28; SAN MARCOS 18, FROM 10/28)

**The Constant Gardener** — An adaptation of a John le Carré suspense novel, and a long stride for filmmaker Fernando Meirelles (*City of God*) from the slums of Rio de Janeiro. Le Carré, to be sure, has always had an elevated social consciousness, and a missionary zeal to match, and so the stretch for the Brazilian is largely geographical: to Kenya, where a multinational pharmaceutical company is using the natives as unwitting guinea pigs, or sacrificial lambs, for an experimental drug called Dypraxa. The spectator will require only the slightest touch of paranoia, or slightest taste for the paranoia genre, to find this premise credible. He will face a stiffer challenge to find it cinematic. Vague on particulars, slow in progress, thick in texture, the film follows a course of knowingness rather than "showingness." And the jiggle and jump in the visual style, though tempered a bit from *City of God*, can drum up little excitement on their own. Of course, many a filmmaker before Meirelles, like many a casual reader, has failed to locate the thrills in a le Carré thriller. Yet this one holds plenty of appeal as a love story, one which we know from the outset is to be an unhappy one. The murder of a British diplomat's wife in the African backcountry opens the door on a flashback to their first beginnings: he (Ralph Fiennes, almost cringingly diffident) dutifully reading a dull lecture on behalf of a government official in absentia, and she (Rachel Weisz, free and easy) reading him the riot act afterwards on the U.K.'s role in Iraq: "Vietnam the sequel." Not a meet-cute, but a meet-rude. And before they have time really to get to know one another, they're in bed, they're married, and, with a baby on the way, they're in Kenya, where the differences in their personalities are brought out in sharpest contrast: the professional fence-straddler and the inveterate firebrand. His private inquiry into her murder, apart from the light shed on corporate malfeasance, answers all questions about the genuineness of her love for him, and of his for her. As we've seen in such other le Carré vehicles as *The Spy Who Came in from the Cold*, *The Looking-Glass War*, *The Russia House*, and (the most cinematic of these) *The Little Drummer Girl*, a gooeey sentimentalist lurks within the sourball. Danny Huston, Bill Nighy, Pete Postlethwaite. 2005.  
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around the agnostic defense attorney. (The Devil, who presumably would be happier with a conviction, leaves the God-fearing prosecutor well alone.) Campbell Scott, no matter how far in the wrong, is nonetheless allowed to state a strong case for the prosecution; and Laura Linney, conversely, is allowed to show much weakness in defense, before she summons up a closing argument

applicable, beyond the case of her client, to the fantasy genres in general, an argument for “possibilities” over “facts.” (The churchified courtroom of red brick and stained glass throws in its own two cents.) If the horror element is inhibited a bit by the flashback structure, and if the courtroom element is lured a ways into hokum, the marriage of the two is still curious enough to hold interest, and the wholehearted commitment to that marriage is enough to tighten that hold. Tom Wilkinson, Jennifer Carpenter, Mary Beth Hurt. 2005.

★★ (HORTON PLAZA 14)

**Flightplan** — Airborne thriller gets off the ground in good shape, and while aloft adds another variation to the infinitude of locked-room mysteries. After taking her six-year-old daughter to stretch out in the empty back rows of a double-decker jumbo jet, the mother nods off and wakes up, mid-flight, to find her daughter gone. “Well, she can’t have gone far,” one of the flight attendants points out the obvious. But before long an announcement over the P.A. system must concede, “Seems our aircraft is big enough to lose a child in,” and a thorough search is undertaken, granting us access to such unfamiliar sights that we may think we had left the airplane and entered a dreamland. The girl’s backpack happens to be missing from the overhead bin, too high for her to have reached by herself, and she would never have left behind, as she seems to have, her one-armed teddy bear. Someone had to have taken her, and a couple of Arabs come under perfectly natural, if politically incorrect, scrutiny. But every passenger is in his seat and accounted for, and none of them appears to be concealing a six-year-old. So, where can she be? When the mother is unable to produce a boarding pass for the girl, speculation shifts to the stress she is under — her husband lies in a casket in the hold — as well as to the medication she is on, and doubt begins to form that there was ever a daughter on board in the first place. So far, so intriguing. And Jodie Foster’s mixture of strain and anxiety

and trying not to show it is very persuasive — quite a feat, assuming she had read the script clear to the end before she consented to do it. For as soon as we begin to get some answers to the puzzle, the movie goes into a tailspin from which it will never pull up. The revealed plot — the double-meaning “flightplan” — seems to make so little sense that you might almost mistrust your own intelligence or sanity, never mind Jodie Foster’s. With Peter Sarsgaard, Sean Bean, Kate Beahan, Erika Christensen; directed by Robert Schwentke. 2005.

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**The Fog** — Tedious re-do of John Carpenter’s horror nonclassic, on its silver anniversary, for the sake of two new pretty faces (Tom Welling, Maggie Grace) with nothing better to do. Selma Blair, DeRay Davis, Rade Sherbedgia; directed by Rupert Wainwright. 2005.

● (CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN;

SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**The 40 Year Old Virgin** — The hero is not what he is by reason of any philosophy, religion, or phobia: “It just never happened.” But now his colleagues at the Smart Tech electronics store, cottoning on to his condition, are pitching in to cure him of it. Though not unsympathetic in treatment, the character is coy, cautious, even cowardly in conception, while the comedy *per se* is low, broad, bullish, and exhibitionist: boners, peepee, puke, a plastic vagina, mooning, and (without special-effects fakery) bloody body waxing. With Steve Carell, Catherine Keener, Paul Rudd, Roman Malco, Seth Rogen, and Elizabeth Banks; directed by Judd Apatow. 2005.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Forty Shades of Blue** — Inert, indolent domestic drama around a Memphis music producer, his much younger Russian mate, and his married son visiting from California. Groping, improvisatory-sounding dialogue; a drizzly, dismal image; a yawner. With Rip Torn, Dina Korzun, and Darren Burrows; directed by Ira Sachs. 2005.

● (KEN, THROUGH 10/27)

**Ghostbusters** — Three parapsychologists, having had their academic grant rescinded and their research equipment confiscated, go into private practice as exterminators of any and all supernatural pests. Just in time, too. It seems that an Art Deco skyscraper on Central Park West has been designed as an antenna to pull in assorted demons of ancient Sumerian mythology, and Judgment Day could suddenly be just round the corner. The movie, directed by Ivan Reitman, is in and out, around and about, the correct form for this sort of thing — although the special effects are always effective. Too undisciplined to be a genre parody in the company of Polanski’s *Fearless Vampire Killers*, it is more like a concretization of the wisecracks which habitual wisecrackers might make while watching better movies than this one on the Late Show. (The nearness in title to the old Bob Hope comedy, *Ghost Breakers*, is perfectly apt.) Two of the stars, Dan Aykroyd and Harold Ramis, also wrote the script, which may explain why both of them click into character and stay there, while the more prominent star, Bill Murray, bounces around as the very embodiment of the movie’s amiable sloppiness. “You know,” he is told at one point, “you don’t act like a scientist....You’re more like a game-show host.” With Sigourney Weaver and Rick Moranis. 1984.

★★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE, 10/29 MIDNIGHT)

**Good Night, and Good Luck** — Unabashed hero worship of the “crusading” CBS newsmen Edward R. Murrow, directed and co-written by George Clooney, who also plays Murrow’s television producer, Fred Friendly. (In the lead role, David Strathairn has Murrow’s somber countenance, speaks with his cadence, and goes through a full carton of his coffin nails.) Framed by a literal “Salute to Edward R. Murrow” in 1958, and by the guest-of-honor’s scolding assessment of the current state of TV journalism, it centers on his famous face-off four years earlier with Sen. Joe McCarthy, now known in ever widening circles as the Boogeyman. (McCarthy, seen only in grainy archive footage, looks even cruder than usual in opposition to the crisply photographed thespian smoothies.) Clooney, son of a TV newscaster himself, and high-profile Hollywood liberal, would no doubt be pleased if the sitting duck of the past were taken to be a stand-in for the flutter fowl of today — Rush Limbaugh, Oliver North, and Co., the religious right, Karl Rove, take your pick — and pleased, too, if Murrow’s example were held up to the news networks of half a century later. (But be careful, George, what you wish for: the network that appears to come closest to Murrow’s stance of advocacy, if nowhere near his humanity or integrity, would be Fox.) Clooney can surely rival any of his targeted enemies, past or present, in piety; and even, albeit in a somewhat different sense, in reactionaryism: taking up the social-conscious subject

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matter of the Lumet-Ritt-Frankenheimer generation (he had already done so in his live-television experiment of *Fail-Safe* a few years back), setting it in the precise period of their salad days, shooting it in black-and-white (not just matching the custom of the time, but Expressionistically matching the *Weltanschauung* of white hats versus black hats), scoring it with outmoded moody jazz, and treating it in the hectoring, lecturing style of the Rose-Serling-Schulberg screenwriters. In truth the message is gotten across with an altogether unacceptable amount of speechifying; and for all the feverishly overlapping dialogue and the occasional hustle-bustle of cast or camera, it is steadfastly a static film, nailed to a platform. With Robert Downey, Jr., Patricia Clarkson, Frank Langella, Jeff Daniels. 2005.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; MIRA MESA 18)

**The Greatest Game Ever Played** — Class struggle on the links, along with an England-vs.-America thing and a professional-vs.-amateur thing. The game in question is not golf in general, but specifically the eighteen-hole playoff of the 1913 U.S. Open. Shia LaBeouf has a nice quiet self-assurance as the former caddy, Francis Ouimet, who goes up against his idol, the British champion Harry Vardon (Stephen Dillane). But the wise and wisecracking pint-sized caddy (Josh Flitter) is a pain in the neck, and the film gets carried away with digital effects (an animated ladybug alighting on a golf ball, etc.), and it spends a lot of time on game action without uncovering interesting details or convincing us that golf is a credible spectator sport. With Peyton List, Stephen Marcus, Peter



The Legend of Zorro

Firth, Luke Askew; directed by Bill Paxton. 2005.

★ (POWAY 10)

**Grizzly Man** — The globe-trotting Werner Herzog digs up another of those

border dwellers, those boundary pushers, he loves to document — one Timothy Treadwell, b. 1957, d. 2003 — along with a hundred or so hours of found footage, a treasure trove of video shot by the subject himself, mostly *of* himself, to record his

years in the wilderness living among Alaskan bears, capped off with an audio recording of his own death, plus his girlfriend's death, at the paws of one of those bears. ("Capped off" might not be the way to put it: he evidently didn't have time to

take the lens cap off the camcorder.) Herzog neatly organizes the material into a portrait of a man who at first glance seems simply an ecological eccentric, with more than a little presentiment of his fate ("They can kill, they can bite, they can decapitate"), but a man who, at a longer look, turns into something of a self-mythologizing monomaniac. The filmmaker, in his own footage, gathers testimony from those who knew the man ("He tended to want to become a bear"), and he captures at least a couple of priceless moments: the coroner handing over to one of Treadwell's former girlfriends the still-ticking wristwatch taken from his detached arm, and his mother reminiscing about him, in the comfort of her home in Florida, with his favorite teddy bear perched on her lap. Herzog is not shy about adding his own observations in his familiar feverish idiom and his expectorating delivery ("I discovered a film of human ecstasies and darkest inner turmoil"), nor about taking an editorial stance at variance with his subject: "I believe the common denominator of the universe is chaos, disharmony, and murder." Treadwell, in proof of Herzog's point, is in no condition to present a rebuttal to that. 2005.

★★★ (LA PALOMA)

**A History of Violence** — Further unpleasantness from the always unpleasant David Cronenberg. Despite the pretentious-sounding title, this is in no sense an historical record of violence as a human fundamental (dating back, say, to Cain and Abel, or farther back to the appearance of the monolith among the apes in *2001*), but merely a history in the archaic sense of a story, as in H.G. Wells's *The History of Mr. Polly*, and also in the sense of a past: a violent story, that is, about a man with a his-

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tory of violence. More exactly, the bloody chain of events unleashed when the family-man proprietor (Viggo Mortensen) of the Main Street diner in Small Town, U.S.A., is forced to fight back against two homicidal psychopaths at his lunch counter. The unpleasantness on this occasion consists, not

atypically for Cronenberg, in some gratuitous gore — stomach-turning makeup effects for a bullet through the top of the head, a nose pounded up into a skull, etc. — as well as in the oppressive mood of ominousness and dread. The latter is quite admirably achieved, especially in view of the conventionality of the plot: the past catching up with a retired killer, a staple of the American action film, whether Western or contemporary crime thriller. Through such devious means as the sedate and didactic tone, the clear-eyed and controlled

cinematography, the deliberate pace, and a spot of uncommonly graphic sex between happily marrieds, the film *feels* unconventional, *feels* unpredictable. And it makes good use of William Hurt's widely recognized looniness for an unexpectedly funny climax, notwithstanding the expected gore. (Beyond unexpectedly funny, it may be self-defeatingly funny.) The ultimate purpose of the thing — the unique distinction of the thing — comes down to precisely those sources of unpleasantness and nothing more: the gratuitous gore and the feel-

ing of unconventionality. But the unconventionality, such as it is, proves to be just a feeling rather than a fact: it tends to evaporate rapidly at the curtain. (One recommended point of reference would be Richard Fleischer's perfectly conventional yet subtly subversive *Violent Saturday*, 1955, where the celebration of the small-town family man who foils the big-city bad guys, with an assist from the pitchfork of an Amish pacifist, is as ambiguous as you please.) And the gore is simply too splashy for its own good. With Maria Bello, Ed

Harris. 2005.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**In Her Shoes** — Curtis Hanson's handling of the Jennifer Weiner book, lightly, mildly, breezily entertaining in a second-rate, best-sellerish, chick-lit kind of way: the seriocomic story of two mismatched Jewish sisters, one an overweight, high-achieving Philadelphia lawyer whose private life consists of romance novels and a shoe fetish, and the other a rootless mooching dyslexic sexpot. (Or, in their traded insults, a "fat pig" and "pretty but real stupid.") After they have a major falling-out and a parting-of-the-ways, the first finds love with a too-good-to-be-true emasculated dreamboat (albeit a 76ers fan), and the second finds self-worth shopping for the old ladies in a Florida retirement community and reading poetry to a blind professor, while conquering her dyslexia, at the Assisted Living Center. And they then find their way back to each other. Yay, team. The scene of a man and a woman reading aloud from a romance novel as sexual foreplay is good for a laugh; and the sight of a Bikini Babe around the old folks' swimming pool is good for a few; and Shirley MacLaine, as the long-lost grandmother, can still handle a line and a look. The casting of Toni Collette and Cameron Diaz as the sisters, on the other hand, is somewhat hard to swallow. Forget, if you can, their ostensible Jewishness and their supposed sisterhood. Collette, though she's reported to have packed on twenty-five pounds for the part, still looks well under the national norm and nowhere near her *Muriel's Wedding* weight. And Diaz, though she wears her clothes well, especially the eensy-weensy ones, fails to reveal any depths beneath. Even she can't quite botch the lump-in-the-throat recitation of E.E. Cummings at the wedding, but she's more in her element when she gets to kick up her heels afterwards. 2005.

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**Innocent Voices** — Leftist arm-twister, slickly done, about an unspeakably cute kid in civil-war-torn El Salvador ca. 1980, not so much a character as a poster child, who becomes “the man of the house” in his father’s absence, and awaits conscription in the military on his twelfth birthday. Some of the random gunfire is pretty scary, but so is some of the supplicatory rhetoric: “Why do they want to kill us,” wonders an innocent voice indeed, “when we haven’t done anything?” Carlos Padilla, Leonor Varela, Xuna Primus, Gustavo Muñoz; directed by Luis Mandoki. 2005.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Just Like Heaven** — Unremittingly cute, and on a couple of occasions actually funny, this supernatural romantic comedy adds a new wrinkle to the conventional ghost story, and new rules (anything goes) into the bargain. The new wrinkle is that the previous tenant who haunts a breathtaking San Francisco apartment as an intermittent apparition, visible only to the current tenant, is not technically a ghost at all, merely the disembodied spirit of a workaholic young doctor in a three-month coma. Because this previous tenant, female, had had no social life prior to the coma, and because the current tenant, male, is a withdrawn widower, a happy ending heaves into view at the same instant as the new wrinkle. Reese Witherspoon, assisted by some seamless passing-through-solid-objects effects, has sufficient artifice to make herself right at home in the situation. But Mark Ruffalo, though he can play befuddlement, which will come in very handy, is not by any stretch an acceptable romantic-comedy lead; and Jon Heder, in search of life after *Napoleon Dynamite*, proves to be no longer an extraordinary geek, only an ordinary one, as a dilettante occultist. Directed by Mark Waters. 2005.

★ (VOGUE)

**The Legend of Zorro** — Zero. The obligatory sequel finds our mid-19th-century Batman in marital trouble, continually called away to fight for California statehood and never able to get away on a vacation with the wife and kid, now ten years old even though it’s only seven years since the previous installment. “If you walk out that door,” hears the henpecked Fox, “you are not sleeping here tonight!” (Post-9/11, the villain is a foreigner, French in origin, with a secret lab of WMDs.) The camera cannot seem to get close enough to the two stars, Antonio Banderas and Catherine Zeta-Jones, and within the first half-hour it goes over the limit of allowable dollies from medium closeup to closeup or from closeup to extreme closeup. The copy of the famous shot from *Cat Ballou* of the drunken horse and rider held up by a wall would alone be grounds to flunk the film for plagiarism. With Adrian Alonso, Rufus Sewell, and Nick Chinlund; directed by Martin Campbell. 2005.

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**March of the Penguins** — Nature documentary on the reproductive ritual of the emperor penguin, the back-and-forth walk of around seventy miles, the mating dance, the harsh winter, the interminable night, the months of starvation, the high mortality rate. It’s a hard life, and fascinating. The cuteness of the creatures makes up for much of the hardness, although it also makes the hardness harder to bear. Narrated by Morgan Freeman; directed by Luc Jacquet. 2004.

★ (LA PALOMA)

**Nine Lives** — Writer-director Rodrigo García looks at nine different women in nine single-take shots, with Kathy Baker, Glenn Close, Holly Hunter, Sissy Spacek, Robin Wright Penn.

(LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 10/28)

**North Country** — A sexual-harassment horror story, single-minded if not simple-minded, set in the Mesabi Iron Range of Minnesota, Land of 10,000 Lakes, Not Quite That Many Hideous Open-Pit Craters, Two Dead Stags Strapped to a Flatbed, and Untold Chauvinist Pigs. (The soundtrack, a tad predictably, makes use of several songs by that native son of Hibbing, Mn., Bob Dylan.) The fictionalized mining company of Pearson Taconite and Steel, Inc., had hired its first female miner, we are informed, in 1975, and fourteen years later, when the narrative picks up, against an eventual backdrop of Anita Hill testifying on television at the Clarence Thomas confirmation hearings, the women are still outnumbered thirty to one. Charlize Theron, over the objections of her miner father (“You wanna be a lesbian now?”) and in the face of open hostility from the male majority, joins the band of sisters, a single mother of two (by different fathers), a fugitive battered wife, and a closet Amazon who will not heed the advice to “work hard, keep your mouth shut, and take it like a man.” The American debut of New Zealand director Niki Caro (*Whale Rider*, an aperitif of prepubertal feminism) is in essence a Lifetime Network movie with more grit: you don’t hear the four-letter “c” word on Lifetime, and you don’t see shots of smeared feces and sprayed semen. In addition to more grit, it boasts a strong cast, aside from the sometimes over-the-top Theron (whose ferocity can come as no surprise after *Monster*), including two of America’s supreme actresses, Frances McDormand, doing a toned-down version of her *Fargo* accent, and Sissy Spacek, plus Michelle Monaghan, Richard Jenkins, Jeremy Renner, Sean Bean, Woody Harrelson. (But if the story demanded flashbacks to high school with a different actress in the central role, couldn’t she at least have been equipped with a false mole on her throat to match Theron’s?) It boasts, as well, a couple of eruptions of real showmanship, as effective as they are manipulative: the father’s change of allegiance at a combative union meeting; and the spontaneous rallying, one person at a time, to the side of the besieged heroine in the courtroom. 2005.

★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; PLAZA CAMINO REAL; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Prime** — Reviewed next issue. With Meryl Streep, Uma Thurman, and Bryan Greenberg; written and directed by Ben Younger.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; 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 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 10/28)

**The Prize Winner of Defiance, Ohio** — Writer-director Jane Anderson’s adaptation of the memoir by Terry Ryan (the book’s subtitle: *How My Mother Raised 10 Kids on 25 Words or Less*), a valentine to a dutiful, long-suffering Fifties-era Catholic housewife who supplemented the family’s meager income through the practice of “contesting,” writing ad slogans and jingles for prizes: “Dad, do you believe it?” Mother exclaims over her new washer and dryer. “No more boiling diapers on top of the stove!” (The end of an era comes in the early Sixties, with the advent of the no-skill sweepstakes: “It’s the death of literacy!”) Given that the man of the family is a raging, cursing, money-squandering drunk, clumsily played by Woody Harrelson in a bad toupee, the overall chipper mood seems a bit oblivious; and Julianne Moore, in a broader portrait of a Fifties slave than in *The Hours* and *Far from Heaven*, seems almost demented, almost Stepford Wifely. But of course that’s precisely, or approxi-

## SEEN ON DVD

### GREGORY KAHN

Professor of film, San Diego State University

The horror of being assaulted by images and sound in current cinema may be replaced by a horror of a different kind through revisiting the films of Jacques Tourneur. Tourneur (and producer Val Lewton) made restrained, literate, and meticulously composed small-budget horror films at RKO in the 1940s.

*I Walked with a Zombie*, loosely based on *Jane Eyre*, exemplifies the director’s interest in the struggle between the powers of reason, the powers of superstition, and the unknown. Tourneur eschews conventional narrative structure for atmosphere, as the horror emanates not from story, but from mise-en-scène. Long, silent passages, expressionistic shadow and lighting, music, and exotic settings combine to create a dark, mysterious, and lyrical film that’s been called “a beautiful nightmare,” and “the most poetic of horror films.”

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mately, the point. The movie does have heart, and it wears it on its sleeve in the touching coda that rounds up the real Ryan children today, and allows the “deceased” mother to kiss her authorial daughter on the cheek. With Laura Dern, Ellary Porterfield, Trevor Morgan. 2005.

★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA JOLLA VILLAGE; THROUGH 10/27)

**Proof** — Director John Madden puts on the Pulitzer Prize play by David Auburn, a hoked-up sort of mathematical mystery thriller, not so much a whodunit as a whoprovedit, centered around the mentally shaky daughter of a mentally crumpled math genius: two beautiful minds. (With Philip Glass-y motor-gunning, engineering background music by Stephen Warbeck to suggest a churning intellect.) Gwyneth Paltrow — down the same path as *Sylvia*, the Plath path — Anthony Hopkins, and Hope Davis try to make it sound natural, and Jake Gyllenhaal nearly succeeds. 2005.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 7)

**Saving Face** — Facile, unassuming, amusing comedy to do with a Chinese-American mother and daughter who bear separate social burdens: the widowed mother is pregnant again at age forty-eight, and the unmarried daughter has a new lesbian lover. The playing is uneven: Joan Chen is a cagy old pro, while the younger generation — Michelle Krusiec, an uncon-

### JOE FERRELLI

Founder and current advisor, San Diego’s FILMOUT, and general manager of New York City’s Pioneer Theater

Truman Capote does Henry James in Jack Clayton’s spooky psychosexual creepfest, *The Innocents*. Deborah Kerr is brilliant as the governess of two diabolical children (played by non-professionals) who may be channeling their dead former governess and her violent lover.

Loaded with spunk, Brian DePalma’s rock-and-roll horror musical *Phantom of the Paradise* is a potent mixture of *Faust*, *Phantom of the Opera*, and *The Picture of Dorian Gray*. Paul Williams is a satanic rock Svengali, and Gerrit Graham is the hysterical prima donna rock star.

Dario Argento’s *Phenomena* (the cut U.S. version was called *Creepers*) features Jennifer Connelly’s stand-out performance as a young woman whose communication with insects is at the heart of her involvement in solving a series of horrific murders.

*THE INNOCENTS* (England) 1961, 20th Century Fox Home Entertainment  
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*PHANTOM OF THE PARADISE* (USA) 1974, 20th Century Fox Home Entertainment  
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*PHENOMENA* (Italy) 1985, Anchor Bay  
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fident surgeon, and Lynn Chen, a stiff dancer whom we never see dance — can’t keep pace. Written and directed by Alice Wu. 2005.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 10/31, 6:30 P.M.)

**Saw II** — A new director, Darren Lynn Bousman, handles the bloody sequel, with Dina Meyer, Glenn Plummer, Shawnee Smith, Donnie Wahlberg. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 18; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; 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; FROM 10/28)

**Schultze Gets the Blues** — The titular Schultze, no first name, gets more than the blues. He gets a muse. A retired German salt miner and an amateur polka accordionist, he stumbles upon a piece of errant zydeco on late-night radio, the answer to a question he never knew to ask. After a bad reception at a meeting of the local music club (“Bloody jungle music!”), he pursues his bliss on a solo odyssey to Texas and Louisiana. The static camera and Kaurismäki-like deadpan seem a perfect fit for the swollen, water-balloon physique of the stolid hero. (Delightful shots of him squeezed into a pair of swimming trunks

### ROBERT BRUCE

Co-owner, Haunted Hotel, Frightmare on Market and The Haunted Trail

The scariest film has to be *The Exorcist*, a tale of demonic horror. I was raised Catholic, and I was 17 or 18 when I saw it. It’s still scary.

*The Shining* is another favorite. Good story, great acting, real spooky. I like watching Jack slowly go insane. It was well made with great actors, and not like a slasher film.

My personal favorite is *The Terminator* movies. I’m a big Arnold fan and I love sci-fi movies. *The Terminator* has a good story and good special effects. Even the last film was great, the whole crane scene/car crash was fantastic. I think Arnold paid for the scene because there wasn’t enough money in the budget and he wanted it in.

*THE EXORCIST* (USA) 1973, Warner Home Video  
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*THE SHINING* (England) 1980, Warner Home Video  
List price: \$24.98

*THE TERMINATOR* (USA) 1984, Image Entertainment  
List price: \$29.99

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.

★★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 10/30, 2 P.M.)

**Separate Lies** — A tangled-web tale, succinct, adult, a trifle stodgy. The setting-up of an illusion of happiness and a veneer of civilization (the country life, cricket, Constable landscapes) is rather pedantic, but the weaving of the web itself is easily followed and understood. With Tom Wilkinson, Emily Watson, Rupert Everett, Hermione Norris; written and directed by Julian Fellowes. 2005.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS; LA JOLLA 12; THROUGH 10/27)

**Serenity** — The short-lived sci-fi TV series, *Firefly*, finds new life on the big screen, and latecomers are apt to feel at a decided disadvantage. The garbled storytelling and affected, facetious, rapid-fire style of dialogue, alternately highflown and down-home, will win few new converts, and will doubtless help to explain the short life of the prior incarnation. With Nathan Fillion, Gina Torres, Alan Tudyk, Adam Baldwin, Summer Glau, and Chiwetel Ejiofor; writ-



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Dreamer (PG) Fri. (3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30 Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30 Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Elizabethtown (PG-13) Fri. (2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15 Sat. 11:00 (2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15 Sun. 11:00 (2:00, 4:45) 7:30; North Country (R) Fri. (2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30 Sat. 11:15 (2:15) 5:00, 7:45, 10:30 Sun. 11:15 (2:15) 5:00, 7:45; Prime (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; The Legend of Zorro (PG) Fri. (2:30) 5:15, 8:00, 10:45 Sat. 11:30 (2:30) 5:15, 8:00, 10:45 Sun. 11:30 (2:30) 5:15, 8:00; Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit

(G) Fri. (2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30 Sat. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30 Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15

POWAY

Poway 10
13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)
Doom (R) Fri.,-Sat. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45 Sun. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15; Dreamer (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30 Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; In Her Shoes (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 10:15 (1:00, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15 Sun. 10:15 (1:00, 4:15) 7:15; North Country (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:00, 10:00 Sun. 10:30 (1:15, 4:15) 7:00; Prime (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Saw II (R) Fri.,-Sat. 11:15 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45 Sun. 11:15 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30; Stay (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (12:15) 5:15; The Greatest Game Ever Played (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 2:30, 7:45, 10:30 Sun. 2:30, 7:45; The Legend of Zorro (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30 Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; The Weather Man (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Wallace and Gromit: The Curse

of the Were-Rabbit (G) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00 (12:00, 2:00, 4:00) 6:00, 8:00, 10:00 Sun. 10:00 (12:00, 2:00, 4:00) 6:00, 8:00

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Flower Hill 4
2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)
Capote (R) Fri.,-Sat. 11:15 (2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15 Sun. 11:15 (2:00, 4:45) 7:30; Good Night, and Good Luck (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30 Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; Proof (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15; Stay (R) Fri.,-Sun. 11:00 (4:30); Two for the Money (R) Fri.,-Sat. 1:30, 7:00, 10:00 Sun. 1:30, 7:00

ENCINITAS

Encinitas 8
220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)
Doom (R); Dreamer (PG); Elizabethtown (PG-13); North Country (R); Prime (PG-13); Saw II (R); The Legend of Zorro (PG); Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit (G)

La Paloma
471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)
Grizzly Man (R); March of the Penguins (G)

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La Costa 6
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## MOVIES

for the family chauffeur, the “professional driver” (euphem.) gets swept up in the kidnapping of the darling little boy of an anti-drug czar. A trickle of schmalz, a torrent of slapsticky action. With Jason Statham, Amber Valletta, Alessandro Gassman, Kate Nauta, Matthew Modine, and Hunter Clary; directed by Louis Leterrier. 2005.

● (VOGUE)

**Two for the Money** — Simple-minded, fast-talking exposé of the sports-betting racket, a \$200-billion-a-year business, so we’re informed. Al Pacino, as the operator of a 900-number tout service, is encouraged in his worst excesses; and Matthew McConaughey, as a disabled quarterback who can really pick ‘em, is Pacino’s disciple in more than one way: “He makes Nostrafuckin-damus look like a novelty act.” With Rene Russo, Jeremy Piven, Armand Assante; directed by D.J. Caruso. 2005.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GROSSMONT TROLLEY; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Wait until Dark** — Quintessential blind-lady-in-distress thriller, from the theater piece by Frederick Knott, playwright also of *Dial M for Murder*. It’s undeniably talky and stagy, but the device whereby the heroine learns that her new ally is really her new enemy is an ingenious bit of stagecraft, and it gains on screen from the precise camera position as well as from Audrey Hepburn’s emoting. And the final life-and-death struggle between Hepburn and a wonderfully repellent Alan Arkin contains one moment — perfectly framed and timed — almost guaranteed to put some space between your seat and your seat. With



Stay

Richard Crenna, Jack Weston; directed by Terence Young. 1967.

★★★★ (GARDEN CABARET, 10/27 THROUGH 29, 8:30 P.M.)

**Wallace and Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit** — Nick Park’s claymation creations — the crackpot inventor who’s “crackers about cheese” and his

silent, watchful, wary, undyingly loyal yet healthily skeptical pet pooch — take their first feature-length excursion, after a nine-year absence from the screen. The just shy of an hour-and-a-half running time is as long as their three previous outings put together. But because the pacing is as expert as ever, it flies by in what feels like maybe, oh, an hour flat, where the earlier half-hours — *A Grand Day Out*, *The Wrong Trousers*, *A Close Shave* — felt proportionately like twenty minutes tops. (The necessarily more elaborate or elongated plotline veers off into a horror-film pastiche that deftly stitches together a Frankensteinian composite of the Wolfman, the Fly, and King Kong.) The unprecedented contamination, unprecedented for Wallace and Gromit anyway, of traditional stop-motion animation with newfangled computer-generated imagery — primarily for a multitude of rabbits and some “special effects” of fog, smoke, an explosion, and the like — doubtless sullies the purism of their hermetically enclosed world. But this is more bothersome in principle than in actual spectacle.

These distinct animation techniques in fact blend very well. And the human touch, in any event, still shows in the imperfect texture of the plasticine figures, in their limited movements, and in the overall illusion that you are watching a live-action film of three-dimensional space, of sets, camera angles, and lighting, of *mise-en-scène*. The illusion is not really an illusion at all. The space, the sets, the angles, the lighting, all exist in the real world, together with the race of foot-tall homunculi. More problematic, perhaps, is the spicing up of the traditional cozy, genteel, droll, understated British humor — traditional British humor, that is, prior to the Goon Show and Monty Python — with a peppering of the salty and the dirty. Though the spice may be mild by the standards of the contemporary marketplace, in specific the standards of the computer-animation marketplace, one can’t help but feel that co-directors Nick Park and Steve Box have bent a little to peer pressure. What one would prefer to see instead is for them to exert some pressure on their peers (meaning their inferiors) in

matters of timing, touch, and taste. With the voices of Peter Sallis, Helena Bonham Carter, Ralph Fiennes. 2005.

★★★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 8; 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 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**The Weather Man** — Nicolas Cage as a Chicago TV personality up for a network job, with Michael Caine and Hope Davis, directed by Gore Verbinski.

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**Wedding Crashers** — It starts out as a men-behaving-badly skit about a couple of skirt-chasing cads who drop in on weddings to pick up susceptible girls and promptly drop them. After a frenetic montage of their modus operandi, however, the action settles into a perfectly conventional romantic comedy, hitting all the expected spots at all the expected times, as our two cads — the equally expected Vince Vaughn and Owen Wilson, who earlier worked with the director, David Dobkin, on *Clay Pigeons* and *Shanghai Knights* respectively — discover their true soul mates, two sisters for added convenience, a phony virgin slash nymphomaniac slash bondage girl (Isla Fisher) and a save-the-planet altruist (Rachel McAdams) who reveals her superior sensibility by giggling uncontrollably at the self-written vows of their older sister and new brother-in-law. The funny business, in what amounts merely to a newer convention, is pushed to such extremes of crassness and grossness that you feel as if the laughs are being extracted not by feather tickler but by thumbscrew. E.g., the ancient matriarch of one of America’s leading political families will pepper her dinner-party conversation with epithets like “asshole,” “homo” (of her own grandson), and “rug muncher” (of Eleanor Roosevelt), while her granddaughter administers a hand job beneath the tablecloth. Audiences do laugh at this sort of thing. But why? With Christopher Walken, Jane Seymour, Will Ferrell. 2005.

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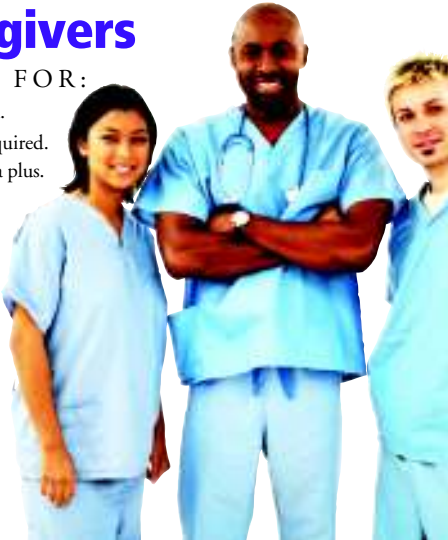
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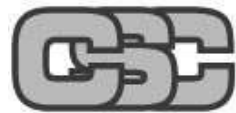
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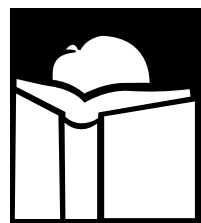
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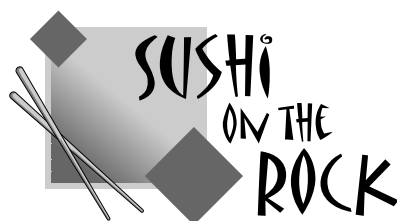
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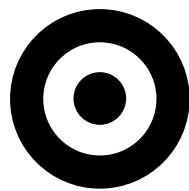
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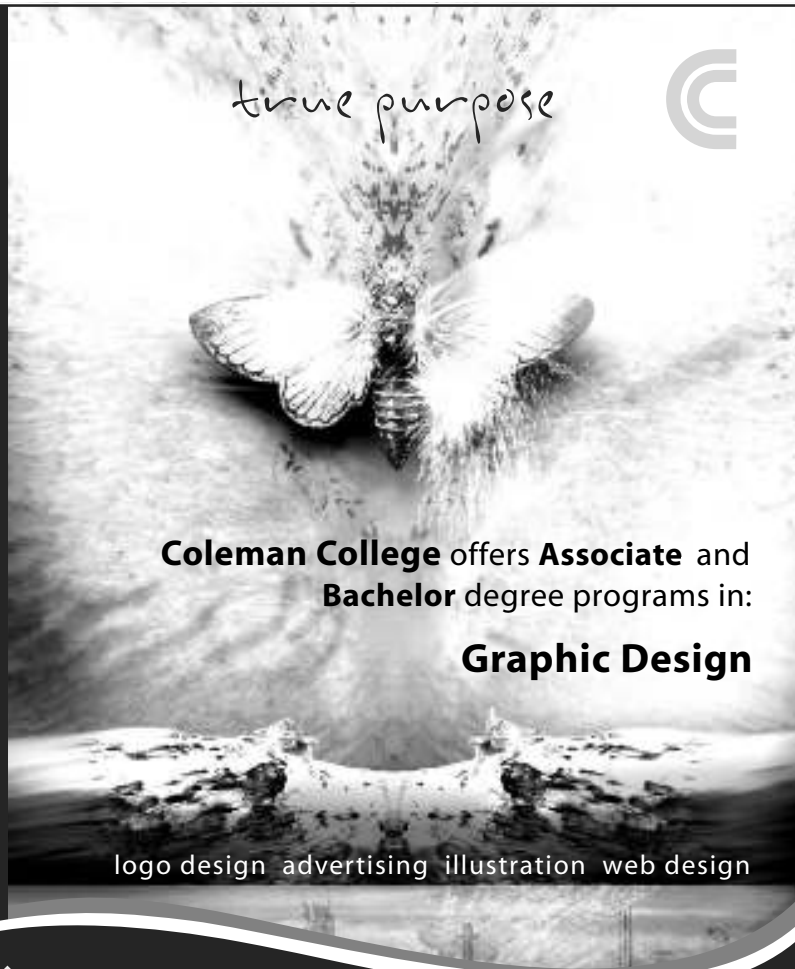
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**FIREMAN, WHITE, 40**, fit and frisky, business, Point Loma home. Seeking cute hottie, 25-40, for fun, dating, romance? Dial my 911 and have some fun! (11/9) ☎49609

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North Park

Of course it is. Money is the root of all evil because it breeds greed. Mom-and-pop stores are just trying to make it.... I support mom-and-pop shops by shopping a lot in North Park and Hillcrest instead of going to malls. I understand we're a capitalist nation, but I don't think there should be as big a gap between the rich and those living in poverty; there's a definite deterioration of a diminishing middle class. I would work for a big business because I need to pay my rent; I am American.



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No. Big business is a good thing because it generates more money than smaller businesses. The larger the business, the more jobs that that business is able to create. For me, it's okay that people shop at Wal-Mart because the prices are low and the money that it saves its customers affects people the most. People who have enough money not to shop at Wal-Mart are lucky that they can afford to talk bad about companies that help people who don't make a lot of money. I'd work as a boss for a big business, and I don't think it would change me. Okay, I might buy a gold-plated cell phone or a Porsche that I would only drive on Tuesdays.



Cassandra Clark

Coast Guard

College Area

I'd have to say yes. It wipes out all the small businesses and replaces it with all of the top business people who end up running the country. If there were more small companies, there'd be more competition and more people making money. I wouldn't be against working for a big business, but there are definitely pros and cons to it. It just seems like the cons outweigh the pros, but if McDonald's were up for sale and I had enough money, I'd buy it. If I could've gotten in when Starbucks first started, I'd have bought some stock.



Kortney Munoz

Food Server

College Area

It's a little bit of both [good and evil]. It depends on which perspective you're looking from. I guess if you're involved in it, it's a good thing; if you were looking at it from the outside, it'd seem like a bad thing. I wouldn't be against working for a big business. If they wanted to make me CEO of Microsoft, I'd do it. I wouldn't want to do anything that'd compromise my morals; I wouldn't allow sweatshops. If I were to take over a business right now, I'd like to run a hotel. We'd beat the competition by advertising clean comforters; everything would be white and clean. I wouldn't be afraid of starting a mom-and-pop business. That fear would be there, but you need the drive...that and clean sheets.



Cesar Martinez

Busboy

Barrio Logan

No. Big business employs a lot of people, and they're not all bosses or people making a lot of money. Most people working for big business are just trying to get by. I would be the boss of a big company, but not here. If I were to start a company, it'd be back in Mexico. There's a lot of poverty in Mexico, and it would help any community to have some form of business.



Sonia Martinez

Student

College Area

In some ways it is evil because of the effect on small business, but it employs more people than the private sector. Sweatshops also give jobs to people who wouldn't have jobs; if [sweatshops] could bump up their level of health standards, then they might be better for everybody. I would never run a sweatshop, even if I paid people five cents an hour to sew my face on shoes; I don't need people walking around with my face on their shoes. I suppose I would work for a big business if it meant making more money; I have to watch out for myself. I can say that I've never had the desire to run my own business and probably never will.

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**CHULA VISTA.** \$100+ move-in special! Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Laundry, pool, barbecue, ceiling fan, dishwasher. \$805, \$500 deposit. 581 Arizona Street. 619-691-9415. www.melroyproperties.com.

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**CHULA VISTA.** \$865. Beautiful 1 bedroom. Refinished hardwood and Spanish tile floors, new windows, appliances. 6 unit complex in quiet neighborhood. 270-A Church. 858-366-8518.

**CHULA VISTA.** Move-in special! \$725. 1 bedroom. Laundry, pool, parking. Convenient location close to freeways and Navy Base. No pets. 660 Sea Vale Street. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**CHULA VISTA, NORTH.** Large 1 and 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$845-\$1050. Beautiful courtyard building near village. Sorry, no pets. 122 Third Avenue. 619-426-5233. www.WexfordLiving.com.

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**CITY HEIGHTS.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$750. Two weeks free rent! Upper unit in small

THE READER PUZZLE

Across

1. Mutual of \_\_\_\_  
6. Common injury location  
11. They guard wide receivers: Abbrs.  
14. Marriage and others  
15. 1/8 cup  
16. It, is there  
17. Pale  
18. Furry frolicker  
19. Subject of the book "Sting Like a Bee"  
20. Sequel to a 1958 Paul Newman movie?  
23. A, overseas  
24. Canon camera  
25. Kind of radio  
27. Persist in  
30. "Go ahead ... that room"  
33. Porky or Babe  
34. Canadian tribe  
35. Saturn model  
36. Sequel to a 1975 Al Pacino movie?  
40. Big shiner  
41. Melville's follow-up to "Typee"  
42. Block up  
43. Clinton's "\_\_\_\_ a Village"  
45. Together  
49. Blue-green  
50. "My man!"  
51. Surrounder of the Bahamas: Abbr.  
52. Sequel to a 2003 Lindsay Lohan movie?  
58. Alternative to com  
59. Calais crowd?  
60. Some dresses  
61. Something to drive off of  
62. Type squiggle  
63. Coeur d'\_\_\_\_  
64. Exacta, e.g.  
65. Popped the question  
66. Taste, e.g.

Down

1. Uses a soapbox  
2. Bad, as a tennis shot  
3. Favorite daughter of Zeus  
4. Lab instruction?  
5. "This will come \_\_\_\_ surprise ..."  
6. Kind of eyes  
7. Babe and others  
8. Not fooled by  
9. "Law & Order: SUV" costar  
10. Toy ball brand  
11. Request for a hand  
12. Jeremiah, in a Three Dog Night lyric  
13. \_\_\_\_ Lanka

21. Challenging tennis play  
22. "This is so-o-o relaxing!"  
26. Chess pieces  
28. Prince's longtime backup grp.  
29. Performed satisfactorily  
30. Sportscaster Cross  
31. Is unobliged to  
32. Late start at work, maybe  
34. Firm head  
36. Airport shop sign  
37. Accurate  
38. Interjections from Rocky  
39. Cole Porter's "\_\_\_\_ Gigolo"  
40. Attack command to Fido  
44. Hydrocarbon suffix  
45. Eliminated, in a way  
46. Put into a funk  
47. Spots  
48. Jacques Chirac's palace  
50. Other half of a hit 45  
53. "\_\_\_\_ baby!"  
54. Barbra's "A Star Is Born" costar  
55. Egg part  
56. Thurman et al.  
57. Tick off  
58. Gambling site: Abbr.

RULES OF THE GAME

1. The prize for solving the *Reader* Puzzle will be a *Reader* T-shirt.  
2. All entries in the *Reader* Puzzle contest must be received by the *Reader* by 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, five days following the issue date (Fax to 619-231-0489 or U.S. Mail to *Reader* Puzzle, P.O. Box 85803, San Diego, CA 92186-5803).  
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.

complex with new appliances, on-site laundry and parking. 3722 Marlborough. 858-200-9408.

**CITY HEIGHTS.** \$700. Large 1 bedroom apartment. No pets. Clean. Security

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**CITY HEIGHTS.** Move-in special! 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$795, 4057 Marlborough

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by David Levinson Wilk

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Of the 200 entrants, 189 were correct. The winners are:

1. Lindsay Hodges, *San Diego*  
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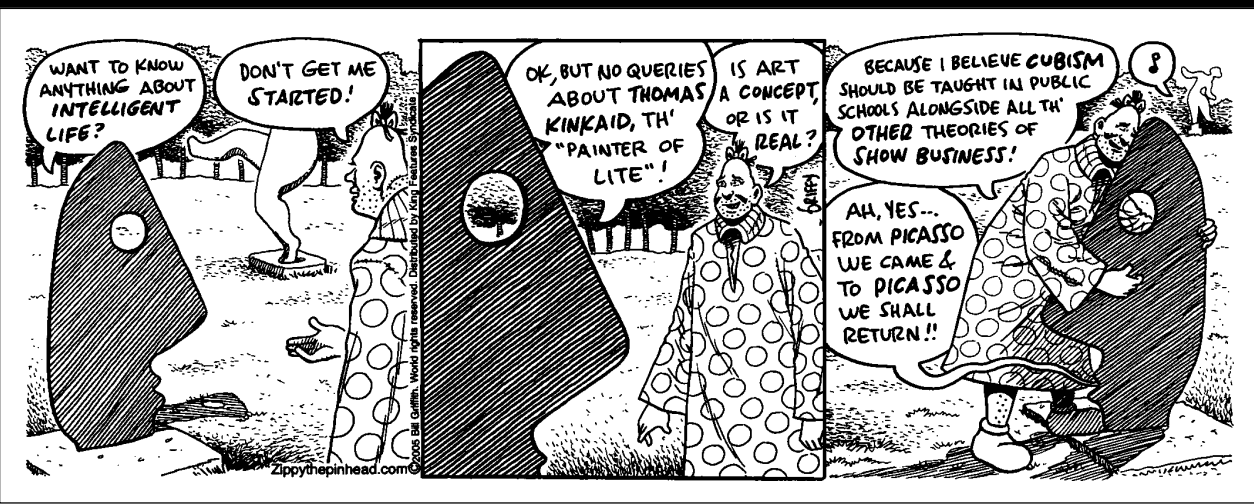
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**CITY HEIGHTS/TALMADGE.** \$800. Move-in special: Free rent! 1 bedroom located in small, quiet fourplex. Full size washer/dryer in unit! Must see! 4436 52nd. Agent, 619-279-2183.

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**CLAIREMONT.** \$1225. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. 1-car garage. No pets. Non-smoking. New carpet/paint. Large fenced yard. 3230 Jemez Drive. Juno, 619-275-3455.

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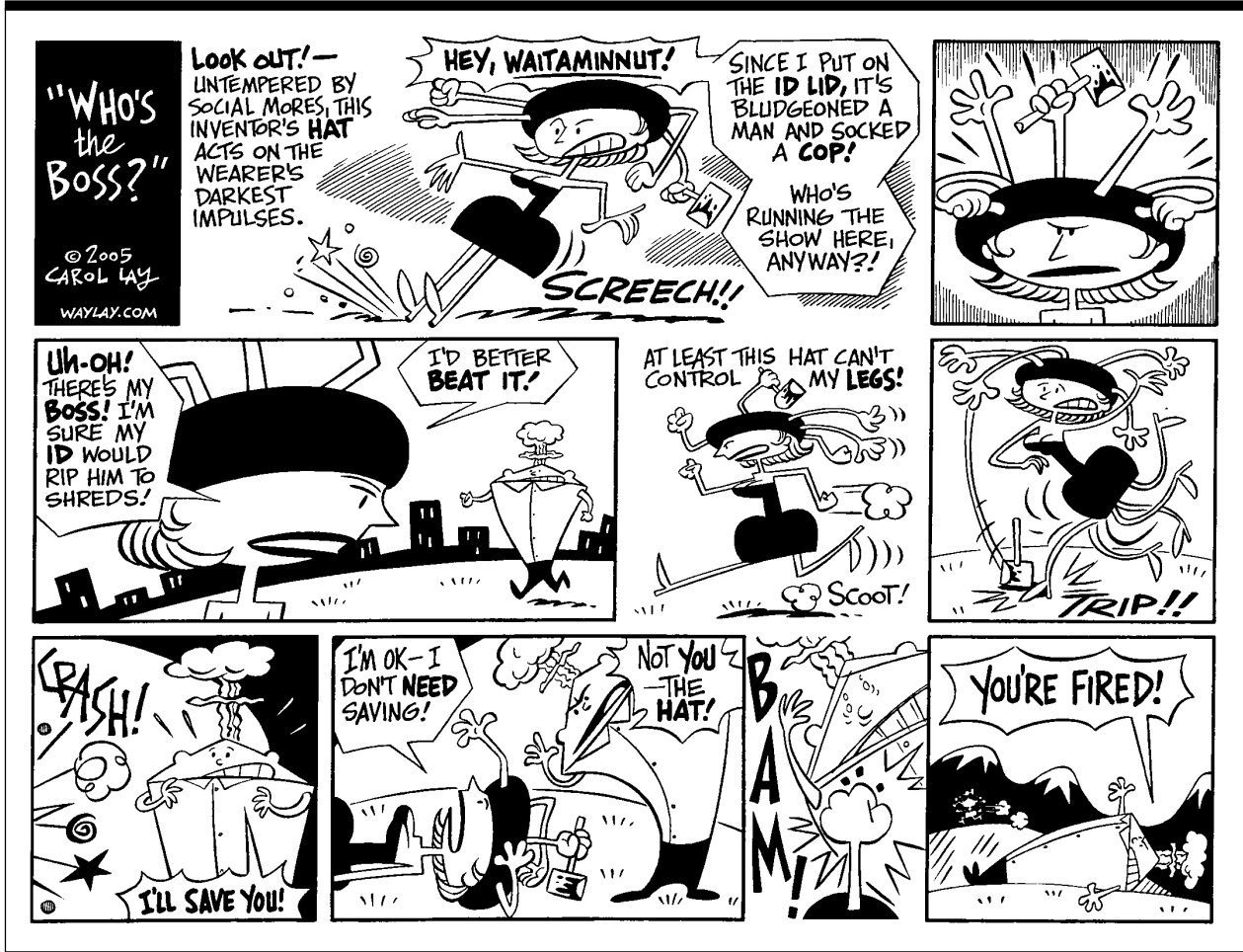
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**LA COSTA.** \$2500. 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath condo on golf course. Furnished/unfurnished. 2 fireplaces, 3 skylights, 2-car garage, community pool/spa/gated. 619-301-3928.

**LA JOLLA** Village. 2 bedroom, 1-3/4 bath. \$2750 (+\$200 if furnished). Views, gated. Best location. Beach, restaurants, tennis, pet walk! Truly in Eden. 858-551-8893.

**LA JOLLA, VILLAGE.** From \$850. Large and charming unfurnished studios. Pool, laundry, 3 blocks to cove. Near business district. No pets. 858-459-8254. www.casalindaapartments.com.

**LA JOLLA.** \$500 off first month! 2 bedroom. New carpet. Walk to shops. Balcony. Garden window. No pets. \$1425. 8849 Villa La Jolla Drive. 858-457-4509.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1900. Amazing 2/2 with vintage appliances, large bedrooms and closets. Walk to shores. All utilities included. 1-car garage, balcony, pool. 858-598-1111 x192 or shelley@utiopiamanagement.com.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1695/month. Unfurnished 2 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Balcony. Lease. Fireplace. Parking. Laundry. Block to WindanSea. No pets. Available November. 858-459-8943.

**LA JOLLA.** 7503 Charming Drive. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. \$1750/month. Brand new stainless steel appliances. Underground gated garage. Newly remodeled. Fireplace, balcony. 619-254-1021.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1900. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, luxury condo in Villa Vicenzia. Available 11/1. 2 balconies. Extra storage, 2 under-

ground garage. Walk to UCSD. 858-729-8955.

**LA JOLLA.** Studio. Amazing location 1 block to ocean in heart of Village on Prospect! Kitchen with appliances. Walk-in closet, laundry. \$1095-\$1375, includes utilities. 619-645-8082.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1275. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Newly remodeled, new appliances, washer/dryer, fireplace, near shopping/UCSD, storage, covered parking. Available 11/15. 619-742-4791; itsmikeyp@cox.net

**LA JOLLA.** Fully furnished 2 bedroom plus loft. Dishes, linens, double garage, laundry. Near shops, UCSD. Easy freeway access. Pets OK. \$2500/month plus deposit. 858-775-5801.

**LA JOLLA.** Lovely new 2 bedroom, 2 bath, granite countertops, travertine/carpet/floors. Cherry cabinets. Near shops, UCSD. Pets OK. \$1700 plus deposit. 858-775-5801.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1200. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Parking. 3158 Via Alicante. kandrproperties.com. 858-490-1600.

**LA JOLLA.** Immaculate 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, 2-car garage plus storage. Washer, dryer. All appliances. Fireplace, air conditioning. \$1995. 8593 Via Mallorca, #F. www.timcassidy.com. Cassidy, broker, 619-275-LIST.

**LA JOLLA.** 1 bedroom, \$1150. Controlled access. Pool. Secured parking. Laundry. No pets. Steps to beach. 6655 La Jolla Boulevard. 858-882-7494.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1085, 1 bedroom. \$1450, 2 bedroom. \$350 off first month! In the village. Garden setting. New windows. Laundry room. 7555 Herschel Avenue. 858-459-1102.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1295. 1 bedroom. Newly remodeled. Large patio. New carpet, granite countertops, microwave, dishwasher, and refrigerator. Air conditioning. Washer/dryer. Secure, underground parking. 760-729-4742.

**LA JOLLA.** South Point, off Gilman, near UCSD, off Gilman. 3348 Caminito Vasto, 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath, fireplace, carpeted throughout, double garage, patio, pool. 1550 square feet. \$2050/month. \$1500 security deposit. Available now. 858-274-3737; 858-274-6254.

**LA JOLLA.** Ocean view, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, 1 block to ocean, \$1995, one-year lease. Call Jeff, 858-459-0125.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1400. 1 bedroom condominium. Quiet. 2nd story unit overlooking a beautiful garden setting with walking distance to WindanSea Beach. Heated pools, spas, saunas, two clubhouses, exercise room, and laundry facilities. Covered parking space. No pets. Lease. 858-454-3841.

**LA JOLLA.** \$975. Studio. Minutes from the beaches of La Jolla. A must see! 396 Kolmar #3. CCPM. 619-296-6699.

**LA JOLLA.** \$1595. Upper 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Near WindanSea. Garage. New carpets. Dishwasher, stove, refrigerator. Laundry facilities. 430 Rosemont Street. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**LA JOLLA.** Regents Road condo. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, beautiful complex. Full service amenities. \$1600/month. www.sandiegobestrentals.com. 619-696-7368.

**LA JOLLA.** Condo. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, all new kitchen and bath. Just remodeled. For pictures, go to www.TheEquityCompany.com. 619-528-2337.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Up to 1 month free! Low deposit! Open Saturdays, Sundays, 1 bedrooms, 2 bedrooms, 3 bedrooms from \$1250! Low deposits! New Mediterranean community. Patios/balconies. Granite countertops. Valet parking. Spa. Pool. Tennis. Fitness club. Towers at Costa Verde, 8775 Costa Verde Blvd. 1-888-300-8450. cveleasing@gardencommunities.com. www.sdreader.com/rent/2119.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Up to 5 weeks free! Open Saturday, Sunday 12-3pm. Studios, 1 bedrooms, 2 bedrooms, 3 bedrooms from \$1250! Low deposits! New Mediterranean community. Patios/balconies. Granite countertops. Valet parking. Spa. Pool. Tennis. Fitness club. Towers at Costa Verde, 8775 Costa Verde Blvd. 1-888-300-8450. cveleasing@gardencommunities.com. www.sdreader.com/rent/2119.

**LA JOLLA/BIRDROCK.** \$1650. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Prime location with ocean views. Parking, balcony, laundry, controlled access. 5538 La Jolla Boulevard. Open House Saturday, October 29, 11:30am-12:30pm. Torrey Pines Property Management, 858-699-3851.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Very large 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath, lots of light, fireplace, patio, all appliances, washer/dryer, 2-car garage, hardwood floors, pets? \$2500. 858-342-5041.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1,200. 1 bedroom 1 bath. Washer/dryer. Pool/spa. Private community. Available now. 8328 Regents Road. 858-212-4343.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Very nice 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo, furnished/unfurnished, dish-washer, washer/dryer, 2 parking spaces, balcony, pool/spa. No pets. \$1595. 3525 Lebon Drive. 619-885-9999.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1348. in La Jolla Colony! Low \$350-\$450 deposits! Pet friendly! Patios/balconies. Storage. Subterranean parking. 2 laundry facilities. Fitness center. Pool, spa. Barbecue, picnic area. Gourmet kitchens. Pantry. Dishwasher. Microwave. Vertical window coverings. Las Flores, 7039 Charming Drive. 888-216-0908. www.LasFloresApartments.com. www.sdreader.com/rent/2136.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Italian style apartments! Newly remodeled! Full-size washer/dryer. Granite countertops. Hardwood-style flooring. Resort-style pools with spas.

High-tech fitness center. Underground parking. Central location. \$1290-\$2400. Studios, 1 bedrooms, 2 bedrooms and 3 bedrooms. Villas of Renaissance, 5282 Fiore Terrace, 1-888-218-0377. www.villasofrenaissance.com, www.sdreader.com/rent/1051.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome. Air conditioning. Fenced patio, 2-car garage. Central location. Washer/dryer hook-ups. All appliances. Andria Community. \$2195. 858-598-1111 x190. www.utiopiamanagement.com.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Gorgeous 1 bedroom plus den, 2 bath condo. Private, deluxe master suite. Marble fireplace. Upgraded fixtures. 2-car attached garage. Centrally located. \$1895. 858-598-1111 x190. www.utiopiamanagement.com.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** Gorgeous 1 bedroom plus den, 2 bath condo. Private, deluxe master suite. Marble fireplace. Upgraded fixtures. 2-car attached garage. Centrally located. \$1895. 858-598-1111 x190. www.utiopiamanagement.com.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1595 beautiful 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. All amenities/appliances included, covered parking, open 10/30, 2pm-4pm 4015 Porte La Paz #128, 858-229-5799.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1500. Charming Drive. 1 bedroom, 1 bath with den. Upper level. Fireplace, balcony. New carpet. Washer/dryer. Underground parking. Pool, fitness center. No pets. Available now. 858-357-7056.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1745. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath Genesee Highlands. New paint, carpet, tile. Laundry, shared garage. Community pool, parks. No pets. Eric. 858-342-6262. eric@epperson.com.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$2275. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Vista La Jolla. New paint, carpet, Pergo. All appliances. Garage, patio, fireplace. No pets. Eric, 858-342-6262, eric@epperson.com.

**LA JOLLA/UTC.** \$1995. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Boardwalk condominium. Balcony, Fireplace. All appliances. Pool, spa, tennis courts. 2 secure parking. Near VA hospital. 8880 Villa La Jolla Drive. Shore Management, 858-274-3500.

**LA JOLLA/WINDANSEA.** \$2250. 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Clean, large yard, garage, wood floors. No pets. 7019 La Jolla Boulevard. Agent, 858-270-7071.

**LA MESA** move-in special! Newly renovated 1 bedroom \$875, 2 bedrooms \$1200. 2 bedroom townhome \$1500. Quiet, park-like gardens pool, laundry. No pets. 4700 Williamsburg. 619-464-7676.

**LA MESA.** \$1450. 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex. Carport. Laundry facilities. Totally remodeled. Everything new. Near park, trolley. No pets. 6199 Horton Drive. 619-216-6201.

**LA MESA.** \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, balcony; \$1095. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, upper, balcony; \$1150. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, downstairs, yard. 619-697-3285. For photo, floor plans, map and directions, see website: www.sdreader.com/ rent/ 1035.

**LA MESA.** \$925 plus move-in special! Spacious 1 bedroom. Newly renovated community. Air conditioning. Patio/balcony. New appliances. Large closets. Berber carpet. Wood flooring. Fitness center. Pool. Spa. Saunas. Laundry. Near trolley, Grossmont Mall, SDSU, 32nd Street, Miramar. Cat friendly. Model open! Villas at La Mesa, 8515 Chloe Avenue. 619-460-7955. www.sdreader.com/rent/ 2054.

**LA MESA.** \$200 off first month's rent! 2 bedroom, 2 bath starting at \$990! 3 bedroom, 2 bath starting at \$1190! Large floorplans. Balcony. patio. Disposal. Pool. Playground. Great location, near the 8 and 125 freeways! Sorry, no pets. Park Grossmont Apartments, 9076 Campina Drive. 619-465-3444. www.sdreader.com/rent/2138.

**LA MESA.** \$750. Studios. \$350 deposit. Full kitchen. Carport space. Storage. Laundry. Pool. Gated. No pets. 5365 Marengo Avenue. 619-698-7926.

**LA MESA.** \$895. 1 bedroom. New carpet, new appliances, freshly painted. Laundry facilities. Garage available. Small pets OK. Available 10/22/05. Call Tony: 619-316-3473.

**LA MESA.** \$800-\$975. \$200 off first month! Spacious 1 & 2 bedrooms. Onsite laundry, off-street parking, pool. \$500 deposit. Se habla espanol. Maria, 619-589-6766.

**LA MESA.** \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Gated, parking, on-site laundry, dish-washer, air conditioning, walk-in closet, pool. 4905 73rd Street. kandrproperties.com. 858-490-1600.

**LA MESA.** \$950. 2 bedroom, 1 bath duplex, garage. Close to all. 4848 Jessie #2. AML Property Management. 619-697-6314.

**LA MESA.** \$1795. 4 bedroom, 1 bath. Recently renovated, hardwood floors, all appliances, washer/dryer, fireplace, air conditioning, living room, four, RV parking, Section 8 OK. 3558 Foursome Drive. 619-698-6911.

**LA MESA.** \$1100. Mint duplex, 1 bedroom, 1 bath with 1-car garage and private patio, laundry room. Great neighborhood. 619-997-8807.

**LA MESA.** \$880. 1 bedroom apartments. Across Grossmont Center, trolley and Costco. Quiet, spacious units. Resort living pools. Mellmanor Apartments. 8750 Mellmanor Drive. Call 619-461-1940.

**LA MESA.** \$1275. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, garage, small patio, pool, gated entry. Available November 1. Please contact Mike, 619-991-5080.

**LA MESA.** \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Clean unit, close to Grossmont Center. 619-469-3735. www.floir.com.

**LA MESA.** \$815. 1 bedroom. \$1000, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Walk to dining/shopping, public transit. Fully equipped kitchen laundry. 4969 Mills Street. 619-466-7786.

**LA MESA.** \$125 off first month's rent! 1 bedrooms, \$725. Parking, pool, laundry, air conditioning. Deposit \$500. 7481 Mohawk. 619-466-6149. www.melroyproperties.com.

**LA MESA.** 2 bedroom townhouse, \$1170. Easy freeway access. Near Grossmont center. Nestled away. Great neighborhood. Convenient to all! 5545 Morro Way. 619-985-3500.

**LA MESA.** 4647 67th Street. \$1350 rent. \$1350 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Tile/ carpet floors, multi-level, backyard. Patty/ Kyle. 619-423-1290.

**LA MESA.** Cute, cute, cute 2 bedrooms, \$999! Large floor plans! Spacious community with large airy rooms. Spectacular La Mesa views! Cat friendly. Ceiling fans. Dishwasher. Disposal. Pools. Laundry facilities. Courtyards. Parking. Close to shopping, parks and freeways. Parkway Plaza Apartments, 7576 Parkway Drive. 619-460-5241, www.sdreader.com/rent/ 2009.

**LA MESA.** Huge 2-story condo, 2 masters, 2.5 baths, 2 attached parking, in-unit laundry, pool. Near Lake Murray and SDSU. Available 12/1. \$1500. Jennifer, 858-483-7025.

**LA MESA.** Move-in special! Good credit equals first 2 months at \$725 each. \$900 security deposit. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Water included. Pool, parking, laundry. 7629 Normal Avenue. 619-303-0895.

**LA MESA.** Near SDSU. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Quiet & clean. New tile/carpet. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. \$1200, utilities included. Ray, 619-464-5193.

**LA MESA.** North of 8 near Costco: 2 bedrooms, \$1195. Ask about our Move-In Special! Large, sunny, remodeled, air conditioned. Storage. Garage available. Small pet OK. Call Barbara, 619-589-0802. SanDiegoApartments.com.

**LA MESA.** Spacious 1 bedrooms \$825. Quiet courtyard setting, air conditioning, balcony, on site laundry. Move in special! Colonial Apartments, 4751 Jessie Avenue. 619-460-8011.

**LA MESA/GROSSMONT.** Best location, huge 1 nad 2 bedrooms from \$849+. Lovely hillside with view. Garden community. Sparkling pool, spa. Laundry. Rec room. Near all. Move in special! 619-462-8420.

**LA MESA/CASA DE ORO.** Best value for your dollar! 1 bedroom, 2 baths from \$1325 1 bedrooms from \$850! 2 bedrooms from \$1075. Elegant, sculptured flower gardens, fountains, gas lamps, park benches. Charming. New Orleans style community. Patios/balconies. Restricted access gates. Small pet OK. 3903 Conrad Drive. 866-894-6343. www.sdreader.com/rent/1017.

**LEMON GROVE.** \$750/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Recently remodeled, new paint, carpet, linoleum, blinds. Appliances. On-site laundry. Off-street parking. 619-840-3860.

**LEMON GROVE.** \$1200. 3 bedroom. 1-1/2 bath duplex. Yard, ceiling fans, Berber carpet, laundry facilities. Pets OK. 1909 Ensenada Street. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

**LEMON GROVE.** First month free! Spacious, clean 3 bedroom, 2 bath. New paint/refrigerator, close to 94/shops. Washer/dryer hookups. \$1295 includes hot water. Available now. Section 8 OK. 858-342-6488.

**LINDA VISTA.** 2 bedroom, 1 baths, \$995-\$1045. kitchen, hardwood floors assigned parking. Good location. No pets. Special: 1/2 off! Office: 2451 Ulric Street. 858-278-3610.

**LINDA VISTA.** Genesee Summit. Secluded, private. Starting at \$1050, 2 bedroom apartments. Refrigerator, dish-washer, garbage disposal and gas stove. Patio. Air conditioning. Laundry hookups. Central location, near all. No dogs. 2219 Judson Street. 858-576-0420. www.floir.com.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$675. Studio, utilities included. Laundry, gated parking. \$400 deposit. No pets. Astro Vista Apartments, 2285 Ulric Street. Call Monday-Friday for appointment. 858-277-4213.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs unit. New carpet, paint, laundry. 1307 Colusa Street #9. Call Ed, 858-597-6100 x322.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$1695. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo in quiet, gated community with pool/spa, assigned parking, washer/dryer provided. 2036 Coolidge Street #86. People Helping Others Property Management. 619-282-5400.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$1100. Upper 2 bedrooms, 1 bath, recently remodeled with 2 balconies. Parking. 6756 Kelly Street. Agent 619-281-4698.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Brand new paint and carpet! Air conditioning, dishwasher. Parking and laundry on site. 7555 Linda Vista Road. Manager, 619-279-2183.

**LITTLE ITALY.** \$1900. Pristine 2 bedrooms, 2 bathroom condo. Washer/dryer, hardwood floors, 2 car parking, balcony/ view. Call 619-300-7240.

**LITTLE ITALY.** \$2100. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath condo. Ocean view. 2-car garage. New appliances, microwave, washer/dryer. Gated building. Pets accepted. Available 11/1. Bonnie, 858-336-2791.

**MIRA MESA.** \$1468. Upgraded Dual Master Suites. 2-car garage. New floor/ing. Patio, appliances, fireplace, cable, pool, spa. Minutes to I-15/Miramar College. 858-621-8782.

**MIRA MESA.** \$995. Poolside upper 1 bedroom condo. Sunny exposure. Laundry hookups or on-site, reserved carport, pool, spa. Yearly lease. Deposit \$995. No pets. 619-846-3965.

**MIRA MESA.** \$1095. Spacious 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Super clean. Pool, laundry, parking, private patio. Near I-15. No pets. Yearly lease, \$1500 security. 858-274-9213.

**MIRA MESA/SORRENTO VALLEY.** \$1349. Double master suite, ground floor unit, south-facing with large patio, upgraded, washer/dryer, refrigerator. Covered parking. Pool, spa, meeting room. 11420 Caminito La Bar #151. Petrone Properties, 858-259-1000.

**MISSION BEACH, SOUTH.** \$950. Luxury studio. New marble bath/shower. Wall bed. Year round. Parking. Utilities paid. Steps to beach/bay. 2826 Mission Boulevard #2. 858-488-5463.

**MISSION BEACH.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath. New carpet, new paint. \$1000/month. Available now. Pet friendly! 858-353-5555.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$825. Cozy studio in courtyard. Parking. Laundry. 1 block to beach/bay. No pets. Open 10/29, 12-2pm. 815 San Juan Place. Bart, 858-344-6949.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath newly remodeled apartment with fireplace, garage. Available now. No pets. 777-C Isthmus Court. 858-488-2006.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$895. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Steps to beach. Parking. Fee. Free search at www.sdrntals.com. 858-272-7368.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$3200. 4 bedroom, 4-1/2 bath, 1700 square foot, second floor apartment. Parking, new carpet, full kitchen. 802 Island Court. Available 12/1. 858-488-2006.

**MISSION BEACH/SOUTH.** 1 bedroom apartment, excellent condition, washer/dryer, new appliances, no pets. Street parking. 6 month or 1 year lease. Available now. \$950, 858-337-2004 after 3pm, 858-488-8303.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Next to the beach. Patio, 1 parking. 743 Santa Barbara Place.



**MISSION VALLEY.** Escala. New 3 bedroom plus loft, 2 bath townhome. First time rental! Spacious 1759 square feet. 2-car attached garage. Huge gourmet kitchen. Travertine/carpet. Fireplace. Air. Tons of storage. Extra large covered balcony (22x7). Amenities: 2-Olympic pools, gym, spa, clubhouse, more! Superb location close to shops and freeways! \$2450/month. Deposit. Barbara, 619-283-9493.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1200. 2 bedroom 1 bath condo. New remodel, carpet, tile, paint. Patio, air-conditioning, ceiling fans. Pool, gym, tennis. Near trolley. No pets/smoking. Available now, \$1250 deposit. 6030 Rancho Mission Road #363. 619-220-1300.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath plus office. Never been lived in! 1531 square feet. 2 parking. Gated. Washer/dryer. Patio. All amenities. \$2350. 760-419-5053.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1500. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, luxury complex, beautiful grounds, vaulted ceilings, fireplace, central air/heat, all new appliances, washer/dryer in unit, pool, spa, tennis, gym, rec room, covered parking. 619-596-2249. 619-301-9427.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1250. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. New paint, carpet, patio, close to SDSU and trolley. 858-531-2335.

**MISSION VALLEY/SDSU**/San Carlos. Move-in special, \$\$\$ off first month! \$350-\$450 deposits! 1, 2 bedrooms from \$1270. Luxury, gated! Spectacular views! Pool, spa. Built-in computer niche. Large closets. Washer/dryer. Fitness, business centers. Garages available. Cat OK. Canyon View Apartments, 7149 Navajo Road. Toll free: 866-806-7377. www.sdreader.com/rent/2011.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 3 bedroom, 2 baths from \$1600! 2 bedroom, 2 baths from \$1200. \$300 deposit special OAC! Tropical. Dishwasher. Microwave. Intercom. Pool. Spa. Sauna. Fitness center. Central air conditioning and heat. Balcony, patio. Gated, parking. Laundry. Cat OK. Mission Pacific, 4454 44th Street. 1-866-813-5684. www.pacificliving.com. www.sdreader.com/rent/1010.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 1 bedrooms, 2 bedrooms and 3 bedrooms from \$1395. 1-3 month leases! Low deposits, OAC. Garage. Washer/dryer. Gourmet kitchen, granite counters, stainless appliances. Fitness center, pools, jacuzzis. Movie theater. Pet friendly! Missions at Rio Vista, 2242 Gill Village Way. Toll free: 1-888-216-0862. http://www.sdreader.com/rent/2135. www.MissionsatRioVista.com.

**MISSION VALLEY.** Newly renovated studios/suites-\$315+/week, \$1100/month. Off-street, covered parking. Full kitchen. Complimentary continental breakfast. Hot coffee/tea available 24 hours. On-site laundry. Free high speed Internet, 80 cable channels with HBO. Fax/copy service. Pool/spa. Near SDSU. Days Inn & Suites, 1-888-298-5168. www.sdreader.com/rent/2139.

**MISSION VALLEY.** New Escala 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhome. 2-car garage. Excellent view/location. Gated. Gourmet kitchen. New washer/dryer. Large patio. \$2199. 619-261-5906.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo \$1400. 1017 square feet. Parking, amenities. No pets. Available 11/10. 640 Camino de la Reina #1304. Agent, 858-755-1139. www.scuba-rentals.com.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$999/month. 1 bedroom, 1 bath plus den. 2nd floor, quiet, serene location, new carpet, includes cable, close to laundry room. 619-244-3011.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$825. 1 bedroom upstairs unit by stadium and fitness club. Air conditioning, balcony, laundry. Pool and tennis courts. Cat OK. Agent, 619-296-3189.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$885. Large 1 bedroom condo. No pets. Parking, carpet, dishwasher, balcony, pool, gym. Quiet. Nonsmoking. 1621 Hotel Circle, South #E215. Juno, 619-275-3455.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1400. Fully remodeled, 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Granite, tile floors/steel appliances. Pool, tennis, 3 parking. Close to SDSU. No pets. 619-654-4158.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1,395. 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 3 parking spaces. New carpet, air conditioning. Upgraded kitchen. 3 pools. Close to all. No smoking/pets. 619-822-7226.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1900. 3 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Granite countertops throughout, new bathroom vanities, refinished kitchen cabinetry, designer paint/carpet. Central to all. Jeremy, 619-807-8022.

**MISSION VALLEY/MISSION RIDGE.** Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath condos, \$1400/\$1450. Private Caminito Cuervo (map code 1249-G7). Pool, tennis, fitness center, security. Agent, 619-563-6656.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Union Square townhome. 1350 feet. Vaulted ceilings. Backyard. Washer/dryer. 2-car garage. Pool/jacuzzi. Pets OK. \$2300. 619-933-6431.

**MISSION VALLEY/COLLEGE AREA.** 1 bedrooms from \$905! Open house: Saturday/Sunday, 11am-3pm. Call about free rent! Minutes to shopping, dining, transit. All amenities. Collwood Pines Apartments, 4949 Collwood Boulevard. 619-287-3020. www.rasnyder.com.

**MISSION VALLEY.** Condo, \$1695. 2 bedroom plus loft, 2 baths, 1228 square feet. At Rio Del Oro. For pictures, go to www.TheEquityCompany.com. 619-528-2337.

**NATIONAL CITY.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath, \$650 rent and deposit. Quiet complex. Refrigerator and stove. New carpet/paint. Tenant pays SDGE, water, cable, \$25 per person screening fee. 1 year lease. No pets. Rich, Stevens Real Estate, 619-422-3810.

**NATIONAL CITY.** \$695/month. 1 bedroom fully furnished. Low \$150 deposit. No SDGE deposit or hookup required. 624

East 24th Street. Office open daily. 619-474-3787.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 1-bedroom back house. Refrigerator, stove. No washer/dryer/hookups, no dogs, street parking. \$825, trash/water/gardening included. 4549 Wilson Avenue. 619-670-5742.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$775. New 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Extra large, extra clean. Upper unit. Small complex. Laundry facilities. Close to freeways and shopping. Parking. 619-640-5790.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$850. 1 bedroom. Remodeled \$1075, 2 bedroom units, mirrored closets, tile, ceiling fans, off street parking, laundry on site. Cat OK. 619-284-2092. www.floft.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$825. Cozy 1 bedroom, 1 bath in charming 6-unit courtyard complex. Hardwood floors, stove, refrigerator. Near Adams Avenue cafes and shops. 619-865-2180.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs unit with balcony off living room. New paint/carpet. Available 11/5 & 11/1. 4586 Hawley Boulevard #5, #2. 619-295-1100. www.ceftron.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$815. Large 1 bedroom. End unit. New carpet. Air conditioner. Parking. Garden setting. Gated. Caring management. No pets. Available 11/11. 4724 32nd. 619-584-7790.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$825, 1 bedroom. Spacious. Pool, off-street parking, on-site laundry. Close to major freeways. Sorry, no pets! 4841 West Mountain View Drive. 619-282-6440. Sunriseliving.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$800. 1 bedroom apartment. 1st month's rent free! On-site laundry room. Off-street parking. Small building, close to 805 freeway. Walk-in closet. Tile in kitchen and bathroom. Come and see! 619-280-0061.

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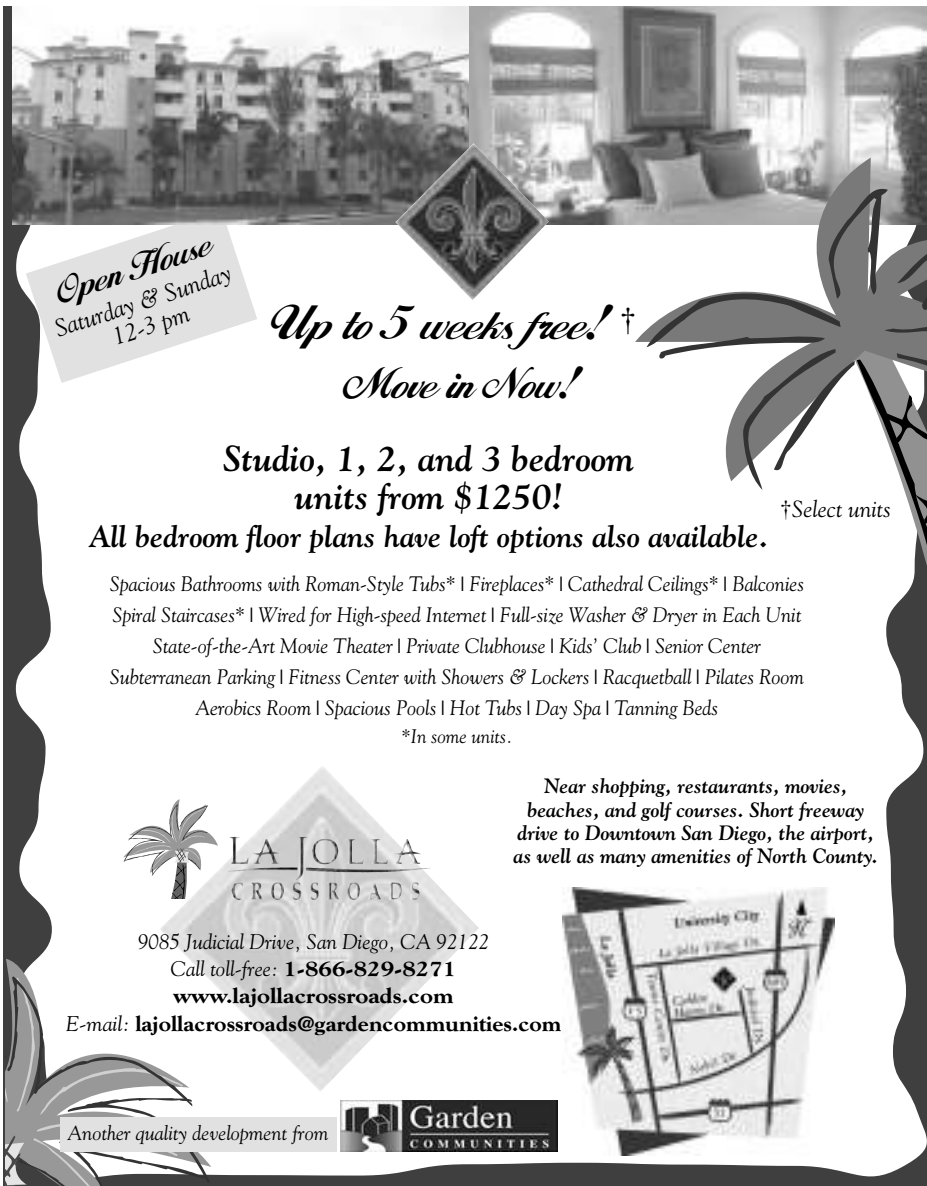
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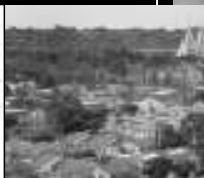
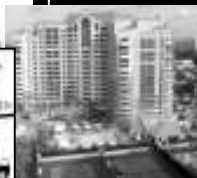
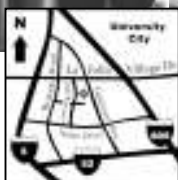
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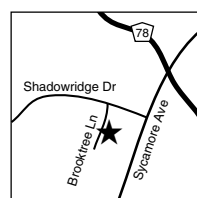
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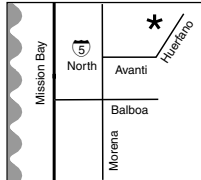


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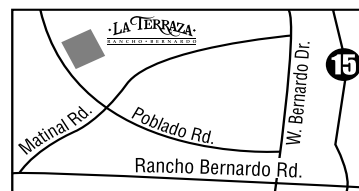
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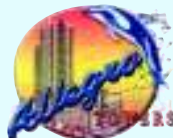


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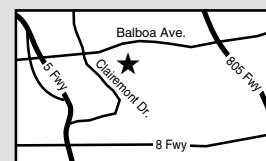


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Except for the first item, all stories this week are updates of earlier reports.

LEAD STORY

— Brett Backwell, Australian rules football player for Gleneig, a suburb of Adelaide, whose broken finger has hampered his playing for three years, decided in September to forgo bone fusion in favor of having half the finger amputated. “If that’s going to help me to succeed at this level, then it’s something you’ve just got to do.” (In 1985, San Francisco 49ers all-pro defensive back Ronnie Lott chose to have the tip of one finger amputated because surgery and rehabilitation would have caused him to miss one game.)

Updates

— The Moscow Cats Theater still plays to packed houses in Russia, as described in “News of the Weird” in March 1998, but founder Yuri Kukulachev brought 26 of his trained housecats to New York City’s TriBeCa Performing Arts Center this fall to play weekends through October. Among the tricks: front paw stands, “tightrope” walking on a pole, and traversing the pole from underneath by grasping it with four legs (but one cat does it using two legs). Kukulachev says each show is different because “Sometimes a cat doesn’t want [to perform] one trick, so he does another.”

— Megalomaniac Roundup: (1) Turkmenistan’s supreme leader Saparmurat Niyazov, chronicled here in 2002 (when he changed the names of the seven days of the week and the 12 months of the year) and 2004 (for insisting that all licensed drivers pass a “morality” test), said in September 2005 that his country would build a huge natural-habitat zoo for a large array of species, including penguins, in a desert-like area of the country. (2) North Korea’s Kim Jong-il was touted by a spokesman in August 2005 as one who never forgets a phone number or even a single line of computer code. (Among his previously

publicized skills are writing operas, flying jets, producing movies, and shooting 11 holes-in-one on the first round of golf he ever played.)

— The Anchorage, Alaska, zoo has completed the elephant treadmill it promised last year for “Maggie,” age 23, and will unveil it in November even though in the intervening year she has lost about 1000 of her 9000 pounds through exercise and dieting.

— Los Angeles has become the U.S. epicenter for surgery for women seeking to “firm up” their genitals, with Dr. David Matlock the leading practitioner of “vaginal rejuvenation,” according to a dispatch in Toronto’s *Globe and Mail* in August. Much of the impetus comes from patients’ (or their husbands’ or boyfriends’) desire for vulvas as trim and youthful as those of actresses in porno movies. “News of the Weird” first covered the phenomenon in December 1988, when a Dayton, Ohio, gynecologist was accused of surgically tightening a woman’s vagina without her consent (at the behest of her husband during surgery for another condition). The doctor, James C. Burt, who wrote an early book on the subject eventually lost his license and a \$5 million malpractice verdict.

— Florida artist Maria Alquilar returned to Livermore, Calif., in August to fix the large mosaic she created at the city library a year ago when the city paid her \$40,000 but failed to spellcheck her names “[Albert] Eistein,” “[William] Shakespere,” “[Paul] Gaugan,” “[Vincent] Van Gough” and seven others. She had initially refused to make the corrections, dismissing the errors as merely “words” and angry at being ridiculed, but she relented after the city offered her \$6000.

— With increased job anxiety in China’s market economy, more Chinese men and women are opting for painful body-lengthening procedures to get taller. A June 2005 report on China Radio International updated the 2002 “News of the Weird” story in which “hundreds” were enduring the months-long “Ilizarov procedure” (forced break-

ing of bones in the leg, then manually adjusting leg braces four times a day that pull the bones slightly apart, then waiting as they grow back and fuse together). As a 33-year-old, 5-foot-tall woman (aiming for 5’4”) said in 2002: “I’ll have a better job, a better boyfriend, and eventually a better husband. It’s a long-term investment.”

— “News of the Weird” has reported several times on psychotherapists who help patients “recover” “repressed” memories. According to the therapists, suddenly “remembering” an astonishing event means that the event must have actually happened, but patients realize that they were persuaded by aggressive psychotherapy (such as the Chicago-area woman who in February 2004 was awarded \$7.5 million from two doctors who had, over a 12-year period, facilitated her false “memory” that she had bred children for a satanic cult). In August 2005, a leading skeptic of such therapists, Dr. Elizabeth Loftus, reported (in a National Academy of Sciences publication) how her research team had planted “memories” in her subjects’ minds, actually convincing strawberry ice cream lovers, falsely, that they had forgotten that they used to hate the stuff.

— Kaziah Hancock and Cindy Stewart are back in court in Salt Lake City after the Utah Court of Appeals granted them a new trial in July to try once again to get money from a breakaway Mormon sect headed by Jim Harmston. Hancock and Stewart had won \$300,000 in 2002 after Harmston took their land in exchange for giving them a place to live and promising them a face-to-face meeting with Jesus Christ. (Harmston’s defense was that God had told him to break that promise.)

— Legislation advancing \$453 million for the Alaskan “bridges to nowhere” described in a “News of the Weird” story in April 2004 (which would connect Ketchikan, pop. 7,800, with the town’s airport, replacing a five-minute ferry boat ride with a bridge almost as big as the Golden Gate, and a two-mile-long span connecting Anchor-

age with a sparsely populated port) was finally passed by Congress in August 2005, as part of the 6,300 “earmark” pet projects of legislators, totaling \$24 billion. The projects are back in the news as Congress considers cutting some in order to fund reconstruction on the Gulf Coast following Hurricane Katrina.

— Former Cornelius, N.C., dentist John Hall pleaded guilty in July to seven counts of misdemeanor assault on female patients, specifically, squirting semen into their mouths from a syringe. The state Board of Dental Examiners had revoked his license in 2004 after finding two syringes of semen in his office with patients’ DNA (from saliva) on them. Hall’s sentence was five years’ probation, and his lawyer said he thought Hall would move to Jacksonville, Fla., and go into the flooring and tile business.

— Robert Norton starred in “News of the Weird” several times since 1988, owing to his habit of (and more than 20 arrests for) annoying his Pekin, Ill., neighbors by doing yard work naked. (When, in 1999, a judge finally told him that he would go to jail if he did it again, Norton said, “I can’t [promise] anything.”) He passed away in July 2005, at age 82, and despite his wishes, family members made sure that he was wearing clothes when he was buried.

— It was reported here only a month ago as one of the “most frightening stories of the week,” but as it turns out, the story had already been topped. In July, 644 people had gotten together in Kimberley, British Columbia, and simultaneously played accordions for half an hour. Thanks to a proud “News of the Weird” reader, it can now be reported that the next month at a St. John’s, Newfoundland, folk arts festival, the record was broken by 989 accordionists.

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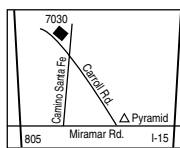
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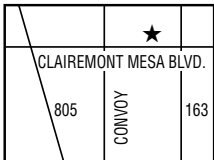
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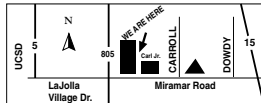


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Nev has a quote that “the best occasions to observe the human heart are weddings, funerals, and duels.” I have been to two out of three in the past couple weeks. So if anybody out there is getting married soon, can I come? I promise I’ll be good. Well, sort of good.

It turns out that one way you can tell if a funeral goes well (or at least as well as these things ever do) is that there should be no fire, except for cremations, where fire is a necessary thing.

On that criteria, Joe’s funeral went well. Lots of people (I would guess between 600 and 1000) turned up at the funeral home for the removal on Thursday. My Dad wasn’t there (he’s in the hospital), so for a long time it was just Joe’s sons and grandson and Eddie and I standing over the coffin to receive people. All the women were sitting. None of the other cousins on Joe’s or Lucy’s side turned up until later, and Mark didn’t know/didn’t care/did a Mark on the whole standing over the coffin thing.

So we had lots of people come in, do a preliminary scan of the room: widow (check), widow’s mum (check), grieving women (check), various old crones who seem to be attracted to death and only come out for funerals (check), sons (check), and then some strange men standing in the corner. If Dad had been there, I think it would have more obviously been a brother, sons, grandson, Ollie’s sons, other nephews thing.

Because nobody introduces themselves or asks who you are at a funeral, if you are in a suit and standing over the coffin then you are worthy of a ballistic handshake and a “Sorry for you trouble,” mumbled as low and as quickly as possible. Which is still better than the people who just rush around nodding at people or who come in and seem uncomfortable shaking hands with anyone — in particular the people in their 20s and 30s, who want to share their condolences with only one or two people and ignore everyone else; older people

(who know how it’s done) and younger people (who have been told what to do) are happy to shake every-one’s hand. I suppose in your 20s or 30s, death is a distant concept, and they don’t want to face their own mortality.

On the flip side, Joe was 68, and so a lot of people coming in to share their condolences were older. And most of them seem to have their fashion sense stuck in the early ’80s. And I mean early ’80s Ireland, so lots of headscarves for the women and brown sports jackets for the men. Not many punk-rock ensembles. There were a few people who were stuck even before trying to hang on to youth with loud shirts and cosmetic surgery. There is such a thing as too much Botox, and it’s obvious when you see it, especially in men over 50.

Sealing the coffin is a depressing bit, so I’ll skip over that. Myself and Eddie carried the coffin from the car into the church — the first time I had to do that. About 150 to 200 people turned up at the church. After the brief ceremony and a decade of the rosary, I went back with Ger and Joseph to talk to the priest and to pick up a reading for Friday. The priest was sympathetic and asked for salient points about Joe to build a sermon on. In the end they boiled down to

family, sport, and work, which isn’t a bad list, if you think about it. Afterwards we adjourned to the Unicorn, where Mark and Denis (a cousin) managed to simultaneously ask after each other while at the same table!

The funeral mass was Friday morning. The priest did a good job of weaving the stuff we told him about Joe into his sermon, even if he



did ramble a bit. I did one of the readings (Romans 14:7–9) and again carried the coffin, this time out of the church. I took Holy Communion for political reasons (the first time in years) and was surprised when the earth didn’t open up and swallow me. Maybe there is nothing to this religious stuff after all. Various cousins did the other readings and prayers and gifts and stuff, and Ger did a nice eulogy for his Dad, which had everyone crying.

So off to the cemetery. There was an honour guard from Young Munster Rugby

Club, and they carried the coffin the last few hundred metres. Mungret Cemetery is the newest one around the city (not to be mixed up with Mungret Graveyard, which is attached to Mungret College and is quite old). It’s VERY new, none of the graves are more than one or two years old, and when you consider that some of the other graveyards in use in the city have

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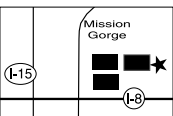
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**Location:** 6004 Paseo Delicias, Rancho Santa Fe  
**Time/Date:** 10:58 a.m. on 10/18/05

**Report:** The male suspect, dressed entirely in black clothing, brandished a handgun at two tellers [in the Union Bank] while demanding money. The loss was in excess of \$4000. Of that amount, \$170 was recovered after being dropped by the fleeing suspect. The suspect also dropped the mask worn during the robbery.

ARMED ROBBERY

**Location:** 1850 Hacienda Drive, Vista  
**Time/Date:** 1:59 p.m. on 10/17/05

**Investigation:** Deputies responded to the area of Pomelo Drive and Hacienda Drive to a report of armed robbery. The victim told the Sheriff's 911 dispatcher [that] a suspect had robbed her at gunpoint. The victim described the suspect as a male driving a black Expedition eastbound on Hacienda Drive towards the courthouse. Deputy Robert Gibson immediately saw a black Ford Expedition at the intersection traveling eastbound.

The driver failed to yield. At the intersection of La Tortuga and Pomelo Drive, the suspect lost control of his SUV and spun out, colliding with the curb. The suspect then tried to flee on foot. Deputies Byrne, Thomas and Gibson apprehended the suspect and took him into custody.

The victim along with a witness positively identified the suspect as the person who entered the store, pulled a mask over his face and then confronted the victim with a handgun. The suspect struck the back of the victim's head with the handgun and fled the store with the victim's property. Deputy Perkins located a gun at the intersection of Breeze Hill and La Tortuga. At a later time the victim viewed the gun and positively identified it as the weapon

used by the suspect.

The suspect was identified as Armando L., who was also a parolee-at-large. Deputies recovered a large quantity of cash (approximately \$20,000) and miscellaneous stolen property from the suspect's vehicle. The black mask was found in the vehicle's passenger's seat.

IN-CUSTODY DEATH

**Location:** 13250 Civic Center Drive, Poway  
**Time/Date:** 6:04 a.m. on 10/14/05



**Investigation:** Sheriff's Deputies responded to a call of a man acting in a bizarre and violent manner inside of an apartment. Additional calls were received, while deputies were en route, of yelling and screaming coming from inside. The deputies arrived within three minutes of receiving the call. The apartment is on the second story. Deputies saw the subject on the landing outside of the front door to the apartment. He was yelling obscenities and making a growling sound. The subject began coming down the stairs, turned and ran upstairs into the apartment. Screams could be heard inside. Several children and an adult were inside the apartment. The subject came back outside to the landing. The subject continued yelling obscenities, clenching his fists, and making a

growling sound. He was not responding to the deputies' verbal directions...in an attempt to gain control of the subject, pepper spray was used.

The pepper spray had no apparent effect.

Deputies approached him and he began to struggle with the deputies. The subject resisted the deputies' attempt to handcuff him, violently. After handcuffs were applied, the subject continued to kick and fight. Maximum restraints were applied. A strap was put around his ankles and secured to the handcuffs. Paramedics assisted deputies in carrying the subject down stairs and secured him to a gurney.

While en route to Pomerado Hospital, the subject went into distress and CPR was initiated. The subject arrived at the hospital and, unfortunately, was pronounced deceased at 7:37 a.m.

BANK ROBBERY

**Location:** 675 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad  
**Time/Date:** 3:45 p.m. on 10/14/05



**Incident:** Officers responded to an alarm at California Bank and Trust. Upon arrival, they discovered the bank had been robbed. Officer Weber contacted the reporting party. The reporting party stated that the suspect, a white male adult approximately 30 to

40 years old, approximately 5'10" tall, with short black hair, wearing silver rimmed sunglasses, and wearing a blue windbreaker, walked up to the counter and displayed what the reporting party believed was a handgun in a black leather case and demanded money. The reporting party gave the suspect the money from bank drawer. The suspect then left the California Bank and Trust and was last seen running southbound in the alley.

FATAL HIT AND RUN

**Location:** Intersection of Santa Fe Drive and Devonshire Drive, Encinitas  
**Time/Date:** 6:46 p.m. on 10/14/05

**Investigation:** Sheriff's Deputies responded to a hit-and-run traffic collision between a vehicle, described as a red Ferrari, and a pedestrian. Upon arrival, deputies found the pedestrian in the street. The pedestrian suffered massive head trauma and was dead on their arrival to the scene. The pedestrian was known as a local transient. Preliminary information from witnesses indicated that the pedestrian was walking across Santa Fe Drive when he was struck by the westbound vehicle. The vehicle accelerated after hitting the pedestrian and turned southbound on Summit Avenue.

On 10/15 at about 8:00 a.m., Deputies received a call from an individual wishing to surrender the driver of the fatal hit-and-run collision. The driver of the vehicle was interviewed and released pending further investigation. The suspect vehicle (red Ferrari) was impounded as evidence.

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## A Buick's Atypical Owner

David Garcia doesn't look like a Buick owner. So I ask why he chose one.

He says, "My Chevy had 150,000 miles and it needed some major repair. I was considering some Fords. In fact, I was close to picking up a Taurus that weekend. Then I spoke to my mechanic at the time, and he discouraged me from buying the Ford. He recommended a Buick. And I had understood that Buicks are reliable — nothing flashy, but dependable, just good transportation — and that's basically all I needed, nothing fancy. So that Monday, I went down to McClellan Buick and I found it. In five minutes I knew this was the car."

I ask, "And you don't mind the 'Buick equals old guy' image?"

"Well," David says, "you do see a lot of old people driving them. But that's another clue they're reliable and comfortable. I'm not as con-

cerned with image as with getting from point A to point B.

"Back in the early '70s, my dad brought home a Buick LeSabre, and we enjoyed it. It was a reliable car and it had a big motor.

I tell him a story about my family's 1959 Buick with a big V-8 that my dad used to love to take us to Vegas in and cruise at about 120 mph, back before Nevada had speed limits.

David says, "Mine's a six cylinder, I think it's a 3.6 liter. It's got enough zip to get out of the intersections, but it's nothing to go racing around in. It's a four-door automatic. The perfect family car for the nuclear family. No luxuries except air conditioning, which I seldom use, and a heater, which I seldom use."

"No seat warmers or GPS or Bose stereos?"

"No, but the seats do recline in case I want to take a nap. And it's roomy. Still, when we take the whole family, we take our van, a Ford

Windstar. The family fits better, and it fits the golf clubs.

"The only thing I don't like about the Buick is the small gas tank. It only holds about 12 gallons, so with my commute to work from East County to Point Loma, I have to fill it sometimes twice a week. It's about 55 miles, round trip."

Still puzzling over why he chose a Buick over a dependable Toyota, I ask, "What's your job?"

"Now, I'm a financial systems manager for the Navy. Before that I was budget director."

Aha, I think. "So maybe there's a correlation between your kind of work and your choice of cars? I mean, is a Buick a fiscally responsible man's car?"

"You could say it fits. Something reasonable, something conservative. I'm conservative in every area except sports. I sometimes try to hit golf balls through the trees when I ought to just chip out into the fairway; and in softball, I'm a free swinger."

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I argue, "But sometimes you might get an American name on a product put together in China."

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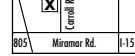
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By the end of the Steelers game I'm three bourbons to the wind with a breakfast burrito anchor. What a perfect time to call friends and arrange a bike ride to Pacific Beach for lobster tacos and an afternoon highball. Somehow the day gets filled. Sleep is a pleasant memory of my youth.

On the way to Rob and Eddie's for *Desperate Housewives* night, my forehead's against the cold window of Brianna's truck and drool puddles up on my shoulder. When the door clicks open the seatbelt restrains me against falling out onto the blacktop and I'm unbuckled and led up the steps.

*Desperate Housewives* night is serious business. The group dresses for the event and a drink called a Tall Skinny Bitch is served. There are crackers, oyster dip, and me on the floor, curled up around my Vanilla Stoli and Diet Coke. High heels and loafers click on the hardwood around my head and the danger of getting stepped on fires off my survival mechanisms and keeps me awake long enough to make it through the first half.

By the second half I'm in a two-dimensional paper forest. The air is thick with the smell of gunpowder and apple pie. I'm carrying a circular Tupperware filled with the wishes of 14 Hungarian immigrants. Behind the pump house I dig in the black earth so I can bury their wishes. There's a ransom for the plastic container but I don't want the money. I roll oblong rocks across my shins and tiny leaves cling to my eyelashes.

"Freeze, right there, mister." It's Lois Lane and that blond one with the pink cast. Lois Lane is pointing a yellow water pistol at me. "Hand over the wishes and I won't have to use this thing." Frightened by her threat, I proffer the lime-green box up, and it's snatched away by the fading beauty on crutches.

After checking to make sure the wishes are still inside, Lois says to me, "Oh, and by the way, you're snoring."

"What?"

"You're snoring. You're snoring." My eyes blink against the harsh glare and focus on the face in front of me. It's Rob. "You're snoring and you're ruining *Desperate Housewives* night."

WHAT I WILL AND WON'T WATCH THIS WEEK

THURSDAY OCTOBER 27

INSIDE DISH WITH RACHAEL RAY

FOOD 10:30AM

Renee recently informed me that her favorite Thanksgiving fare is bourbon-marinated turkey. Since she told me this I've eaten only foods I can soak in bourbon. Meats are great this way. Cheeses take on a sweet smoky flavor. Fruits are a little harsh, though, and cookies are downright inedible. Before starting on this new diet I didn't think cereal could get any better, but there you have it.

SURVIVOR: GUATEMALA — THE MAYA EMPIRE

CBS 08 8:00PM

I think I burnt myself out on *Survivor*. I

haven't watched one episode since last season. I don't know if the honeymoon is over or we're just in a slump. At one point we were really in love, the big one. But, so far this year, the thrill is gone.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 28

CHEERS

TVLAND 59 12:00AM

My very liberal roommates, Kip and Tony, have invented a drink called the Karl Rove. It's made with Jägermeister and —I wish I were making this up — something called "White Fungus Juice" that we picked up from Ranch 99 Asian Market. I don't think it'll catch on in the shiny shirt dance clubs of the Gaslamp

Quarter but its distinct flavor and lingering aftertaste are perfect for an indictment party. The drink is supposed to be unpleasant but necessary. Just the thought of it makes me clamp my lips down so no Jägermeister or white fungus juice can get in.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 29

DA VINCI'S INQUEST

WB 5 5:00PM

I've noticed a frightening new trend in popular culture of the media to swing from Leonardo Da Vinci's jockstrap. There are books, television programs, and instructional DVDs on how to be more like Leonardo. Are you trying to be more like Leonardo? The first step is to stop running around pinching your nipples in delight over an artist who's been dead for 500 years.

DESIGN ON A DIME

HGTV 71 7:30PM

While I have loved living with my friends for the past year, it's time I got a place of my own. A little cottage in North Park where I can have barbecues, tea parties, or some meditative alone time. My roommates also hate it when I sit down naked, kick my feet out in front of me, and pull myself across the carpet hand-over-hand. So. You know. Getting my own place is win-win.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 30

THE MODERN ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER (1998) UPN 13 4:00PM

UPN modernizes Mark Twain's dusty old tale. Some people might call such an activity an intrusion, but I say, "Kudos, UPN." It's time to bring the so-called "classics" into the new millennium. Oh, wait. You can't hear sarcasm in print. Okay, then. This is necrophilia and really an example of everything that's wrong with society today. How's that?

MONDAY OCTOBER 31

FRANKENSTEIN (2004)

USA 2 8:00AM

I don't want to go to work! BLAH! I think I'm coming down with a touch of the bird-flu pan-



Knight Rider

demic. Maybe it's polio or spinal meningitis. Whatever. I'm not coming in.

TUESDAY NOVEMBER 01

THE PERFECT HUSBAND: THE LACI PETERSON STORY (2004) USA 2 8:00AM

Dean Cain plays Scott Peterson. And, we're right back to our *Lois and Clark* reference from the opening story. The birds poop on the crops, we eat the corn, and in turn poop on the birds. It's the circle of life, folks. We've completed one cycle.

WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 2

FREDDIE

ABC 10 8:30PM

This was on when I was bowling last week. I couldn't hear the TV over the crashing noise of the busy lanes, but from what I gathered while watching the show, the premise is Freddie Prinz Jr. and his live-in boyfriend have a hot Latin maid. Pretty progressive stuff for ABC.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 3

KNIGHT RIDER

SCI-FI 63 10:00AM

"A computer wiz cracks KITT's programming and Michael is forced to battle his own arrogance and poor acting ability." That's what I would've normally written, but hasn't Hasselhoff had enough grief? C'mon, he's got more problems than I could give him. Let's cut him a break and stop piling on the poor guy. I assume he's an okay person. He doesn't write in and tell me how much he hates me, so, here's to you, David! I'm extending the olive branch.

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# T.G.I.F.

“I’ve always been kind of a lone wolf, a ramblin’ gamblin’ sort of guy.”

By John Brizzolara

Today is the day we had decided on to begin our regimen of physical fitness. It may at first seem more along the lines of a Monday-morning agenda, but Friday was the last day we could take advantage of the coupon for a free, introductory workout. My son and I both took the tour and endured the sales spiel, but only he got the coupon. I’m not sure why (I looked hopeless, maybe? A lawsuit waiting to happen, more likely) but it’s best not to examine gift horses, etc. We arrived at 12:45 and I carried the champ’s towels and water bottle.

The gym on University Avenue is a block and a half from our apartment. Exercise right there, I figured. I felt like Clint Eastwood in *Million Dollar Baby* or Burgess Meredith in the *Rocky* movies as I urged Champ toward a treadmill or cycle machine to warm up. He would have none of it and eased himself into a machine for upper-body work, the shoulders and biceps. This would be his first workout in over a year, and I urged caution, an easy pace, and deliberation. Instead he did “the guy thing” and whipped out 15 reps with the weight set at 65 lbs. He quickly tired and I mopped his forehead with a towel we had brought. Then I mopped my own with a towel an employee had issued us. “I told you: easy, Champ.”

“I know what I’m doing.”  
“We’ll see.” He did another 15 reps and looked around for another machine. Next were leg-lifts for the thighs and calves. He attacked these with too much speed and machismo. I wiped at the sweat gathering under my chin with

the towel draped around my neck. My fingertips brushed steel-gray beard-bristle, and I worked my jaw around an imaginary, unlit cigar-butt chewed to green pulp. “Save what you got, kid. That machine’s workin’ you.” I think that was Morgan Freeman’s line.

“Tell me about that time you threw the guy over a bar in New York that time.”  
“Again? All right, but let’s see you work the backs of those calves. Fifteen reps at 40 pounds. Three sets.”

“That’s nothing.”  
“Tomorrow you’ll be belly-achin’. Anyway, that was back in ’74, ’75, maybe. Ah, I was just a kid; my first job behind the stick and this place was like Dodge City on Saturday night. Every night was Saturday night.” The joint was a quiche Lorraine and chili spot on Columbus Avenue and 68th Street. “This guy climbed over the bar to kick my ass, and I was at a great angle to get ahold of the seat of his pants and the back of his collar. I used his own body weight, about 250, and his momentum to kind of spin him around and launch him back the way he came. If I had planned it, it never would have come off. Just lucky.”

What I didn’t tell Champ was that the guy was about 22 years old, a gay ballet dancer from Lincoln Center around the corner, and he was so drunk, so skinny, and so flaming, on-fire dizzy, that somebody usually had to sit on him to keep him from floating out the door or flitting around the ceiling like Tin-kerbell. His name was Skip.

The Champ had moved over to the free weights now. I called time-out to mop the sweat from my eyes and rotate my right shoulder that was cramping up from slinging bull. “I have a hard time picturing you doing something like that,” Champ told me.

“I’m not like that anymore, kid.” Definitely Eastwood, but the wrong movie. “I was a little younger than you are now. Kind of a cowboy and, I’ve always been kind of a lone wolf, a ramblin’ gamblin’ sort of guy. You might say...”

“You gamble?”  
“No. It’s just a figure of...”  
“Whatever. I’m getting tired now.”  
“Three sets of 15 with the 15-pounders just to cool down.”

I bent over, hands on my knees, did a few sharp exhalations through pouty lips, stood up, and rolled my head clockwise, then counter-clockwise, on my shoulders. I did a little jogging in place as I shook my hands and loosened my wrists. “Hey, that three-point form is good. Where’d you learn that?”

“From you. A few years ago.” He smiled.  
“Oh, yeah?” I smiled too. That I had ever said anything worthwhile about physical fitness pleased me greatly, as if it were somehow unlikely.

After the free-weights, we declared it cool-down time on a stationary bike.



From Million Dollar Baby

It was 1:47 p.m. “If you can only manage to do 30 minutes a day, three days a week, I’ll bet you lose weight and feel generally healthier.” I paused, replaying that to myself and wondering if it wasn’t another one of those things I said that were pretty good.

From the gym, we walked across the street to El Titanic Mexican Food and a fatty, cardio-death special of refried grease and Crisco-battered gristle. It was foolhardy, sure, we knew that. But that’s the kind of guys we were that Friday. Guys’ guys, you might say. I guess danger doesn’t mean much to men like us. Do you think I worried about the perspiration drying in glistening beads on my pectorals, inviting pneumonia or at least a bad head cold? Just a little bit and that’s all.

For we had bonded that day in a ritual as old as mankind: father and son against the Grim Reaper and love handles and other stuff. Let the weekend bring what it may. We were ready.

“Did you notice a lot of those guys in there were gay?” I asked around a mouthful of fish heaped with a devil-may-care squirt of salsa.

“No.”  
“Yeah. Neither did I.” And I laughed a manly laugh that was pure Eastwood...who I was never absolutely sure about, anyway, if you know what I mean.

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