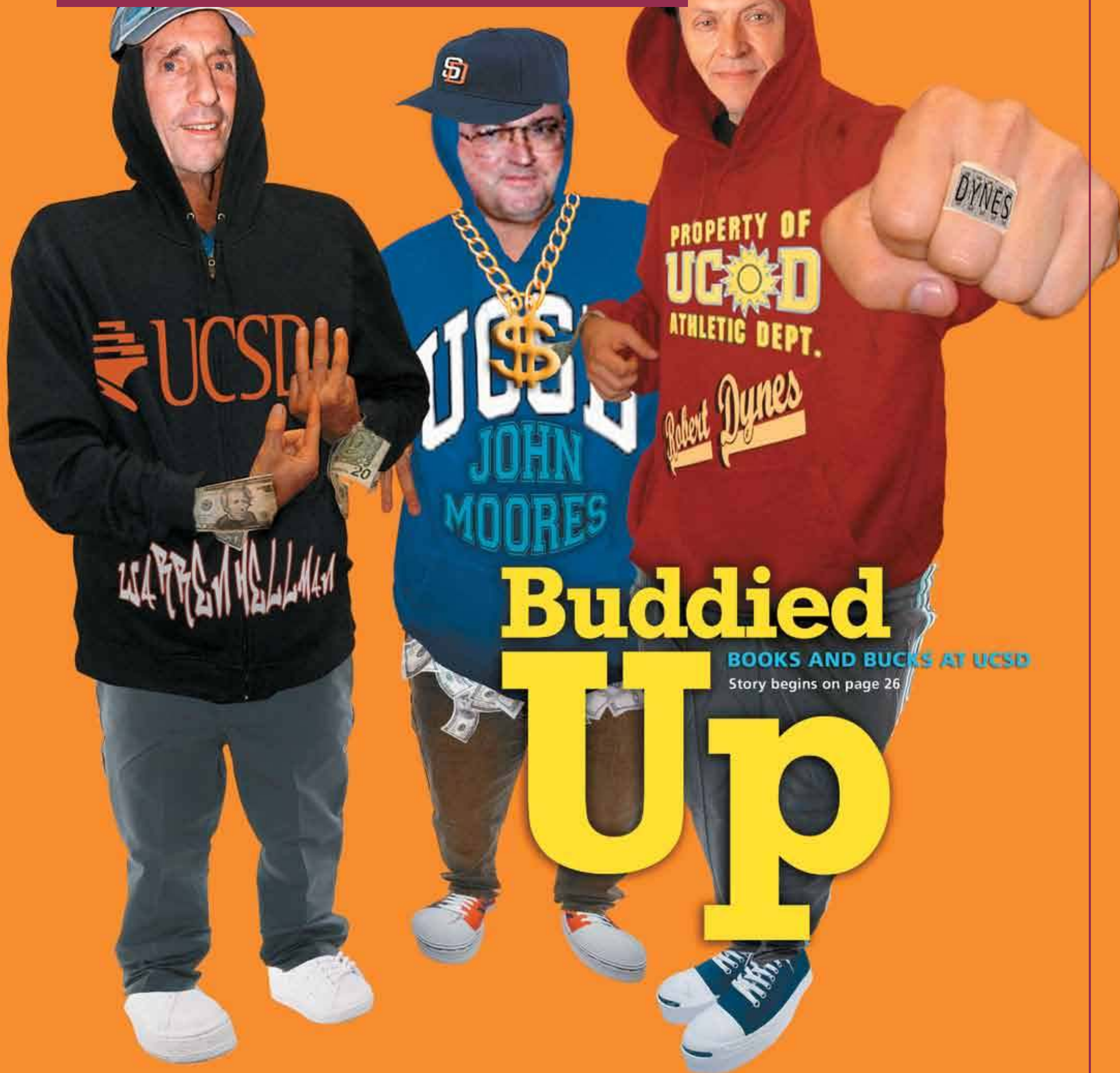


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**Triple bogie** Call it a small piece of good news for San Diego taxpayers: a bid to renew the sweetheart lease of the Carlton Oaks Golf Course has been thwarted by a recently hired property agent in the City's Real Estate Assets Department. The



72.8-acre parcel, owned by the City's Water Department, has been leased for a golf course since 1959 under a 50-year deal that comes due in 2009. The course operators, led by Santee's **George Fang** and including **Gordon J. Mau** of Hawaii and **John Chen** of Castle Rock, Colorado, have been quietly trying to get the deal extended for another 25 years.

A March 3 memo from property agent **Brett Maxfield** to acting real estate director **Michael Boyle**, obtained under the California Public Records Act, spells out the details of the saga, which began last July: "After reviewing the lease file and looking at the proposed terms of the lease, I concluded that it was not in the City's best interest to go forward with the lease because of the low return on it as an asset to the City." Maxfield said he told his boss that the deal was bad, but "He instructed me to 'not think too hard about it' and to write the report recommending the lease to the Council."

Maxfield then went to acting real estate director **Jack Farris**, who arranged a meeting in which Maxfield confronted his boss. "After a heated debate" during which the supervisor "defended the proposed lease vehemently," Farris agreed to sidetrack the proposal.

Maxfield added, "This was only the first such confrontation in which I had to go around [the supervisor] after notifying him of a problem and having him tell me to 'just do it' to prevent a potential fiasco. After the second incident, I started to report to Jack directly."

Maxfield said he also discovered that an appraisal of the property, called for in the lease, "had never been done." After one was conducted in January of this year, it was discovered that Carlton Oaks "should have paid the City \$219,000.00 for rent in 2004 when they had only been invoiced \$126,091.04, a difference of \$92,908.96." An invoice for the difference has already been sent. Maxfield added, "In 2005, Carlton Oaks was invoiced and paid \$134,916.60 for rent when it should have been billed approximately \$225,570.00."

The ultimate fate of the lease renewal is in limbo, pending Mayor **Jerry Sanders**'s reorganization of the Real Estate Assets Department, but Maxfield says he is convinced that taxpayers can get a much better deal than the one offered so far by Carlton Oaks.

**Dragnet** Ex-San Diego city manager **Lamont Ewell** apparently isn't the only one whose old e-mail is playing hard to get. On February 22, mayoral chief of staff **Ronne Froman** signed off on a new

\$111,940 contract extension with Novell, Inc., for "consulting services to complete email extraction (including archived mail)" from a host of employee mailboxes. According to a City report, Novell has been engaged since last November in an attempt to pull e-mails from the confusing mess that is the City's electronic document system. "To this end, Novell installed custom software on dedicated City workstations to extract emails from specific Group-Wise mailboxes and convert them into a searchable format." Those records were then handed over to NTI Breakwater, yet another high-dollar City consultant, for further examination. Now even more e-mail must be "extracted for individuals of interest."

And whose e-missives are being searched? According to Novell's "Statement of Work," the company has been retained in part to "document the differences in the process used to extract mailboxes where users were inaccessible. This has reference to users ccarney, llabonte, and gloveland, where the wphost.db was modified by Novell Engineering so we can login to the respective mailboxes." A search of old e-mail addresses shows that ccarney@sandiego.gov once belonged to **Clint Carney**, ex-chief of policy for Councilman **Brian Maienschein**; Carney now works at Southwest Strategies, a lobbying outfit run by ex-Tribune reporter and council aide **Alan Ziegaus**. llabonte@sandiego.gov was the address of **Leslie LaBonte**, former deputy policy advisor to Mayor **Dick Murphy**. Gloveland@sandiego.gov was where **George Loveland**, once a senior deputy city manager, used to pick up his e-mail. He's now retired. Carney didn't return calls placed to his office. The other two couldn't be reached.



Ronne Froman

**Gift horses** Former San Diego city planning director **Gail Goldberg** has departed to become L.A.'s planning chief. Her final statement of economic interests reveals that in January 2005 Goldberg received a \$195 ticket to a real estate conference held by the University of San Diego. The giver? None other than the MW Steele Group, the outfit owned by and named after **Mark Steele**, the San Diego planning commissioner and well-connected architect whose clients have included the Chargers and a long list of La Jolla condo developers.

Keyser Marston Associates, an expensive land-use consultant frequently employed by the City, coughed up \$100 for Goldberg to attend a December 2005 "retirement event" for **Peter Hall**, the outgoing head of the Centre City Development Corporation.

— Matt Potter

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## Gullibility Factor

By Don Bauder

See no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil. According to a poll taken three months ago, 63.4 percent of city residents believe that

politics and government are no more corrupt here than in any other city.

"I hope that's not the case," says onetime mayoral candidate, attorney Pat Shea. "How

and only 44.1 percent believe political ethics have become a serious crisis or worse.

That same month, the Associated Press-Ipsos poll asked Americans about the state of

gans have long looked the other way — say, toward the beach or the golf course. Apathy, thy name is San Diego. That's why it's a perfect environment for corruption. San Diego is like Green Bay on a Sunday afternoon when the Packers are playing. You can rob any bank or store at will; nobody is paying attention. That's why establishment overlords have been picking San Diegos' pockets for decades.

"Most county residents are hallucinating," says Steve Erie, political scientist at the Uni-



depressing it would be to think that governments are the same everywhere."

The December polling by Competitive Edge Research & Communication found that 25.9 percent of county residents believe there is no crisis at all in local political ethics,

national politics. For 88 percent of respondents, unethical political behavior and corruption had hit the serious level. That's double the percentage of San Diegos believing the local crisis is serious.

Amazing? Unfortunately, it's not. Sun-soaked San Die-

versity of California, San Diego. "This is one of the most corrupt cities in the country and

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## Neal Obermeyer





## Passionate Local Filmmaker Passes

By Matthew Lickona

**G**arrett Scott and Ian Olds,” announced the actor Willem Dafoe after opening the envelope. The two had been chosen for the Truer Than Fiction Award, given at this year’s Independent Spirit Awards, broadcast March 4 on the Independent Film Channel. They had won for their documentary, *Occupation: Dreamland*, a portrait of life in the 82nd Airborne, stationed in Fallujah, Iraq. But only Olds ascended the stage to accept the award.

“I may have a hard time getting through this,” began

said, ‘You know, we’ve been taught not to trust anybody with a camera or a microphone’ — and this was a guy with politics far different than Garrett and myself — ‘but I knew I could trust you guys. I could trust Garrett.’ That would mean a lot to Garrett — probably more than this award.... I accept this award on his behalf, and in his honor.”



From *Cul De Sac: A Suburban War Story*

Olds. “I don’t know how many of you know, but two days ago my directing partner, Garrett Scott, died of a heart attack at the age of 37.... I didn’t want to come, but I came for him.” Olds faltered; the crowd broke into applause. When he spoke again, Olds praised Scott’s mind and heart and then concluded with this story: “One of the soldiers in the film called me last night and

Garrett Scott died on March 2, while swimming in the municipal pool in his hometown of Coronado. A memorial service was held on March 11 at St. Paul’s Methodist Church in Coronado, followed by a reception at the home of his mother Lynn and then a wake aboard the *William D. Evans* at the Bahia Resort Hotel. The night before, a group of Scott’s family, friends, and

mony to his sociopolitical leanings and concerns. A framed poster depicts a Russian worker rising up over a gaggle of fattened plutocrats; another urges viewers to “Protest the bombing of Madrid — stop the Fascist slaughter of Spanish women and children”; still another reads, “Marc Antonio fights for you. Re-elect Marc Antonio — vote row C, American Labor Party.” Besides

loved ones — from his youth in Coronado, from his years in San Francisco and New York, and even from among the soldiers whose lives he put on film — gathered at the Golden Hill home of author Mike Davis.

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“Garrett’s Bay Area friends are some of my closest friends,” explains Davis. “When David Reid called me and told me what happened, I said, ‘We have plenty of space. Let everybody come.’ People needed somewhere to meet and decompress a little before whatever they’re doing tomorrow.”

The walls of Davis’s cozy, well-kept home, which he shares with his wife Alessandra Moctezuma and their young children, bear testi-

the politically minded art, there are two movie posters bearing the name of Moctezuma’s great-uncle, Carlos López Moctezuma. “He was the Jack Palance of the Mexican cinema,” says Davis. “He made over a hundred movies — he was the bad guy with the mustache.”

“Get some food and grog,” Davis instructs the guests as they knot together in the front hall. In the kitchen is a table bearing loaves of bread, two green salads, potato salad, rotisserie chicken, and sliced strawberries. A nearby table offers Corona beer, Pillar Box Red wine, and tequila. Later, white wine and a bottle of Dewar’s will appear.

The first arrivees are Scott’s Coronado friends, people who grew up within a few minutes’ walk of his house, went to high school with him, played water polo with him. The guys are generally tall and robust, clad in sweaters, polo shirts, striped button-downs. “You had to work your way into his fold to be accepted, which was difficult to do,” recalls Evan — but apparently once you were in, you were in. Scott didn’t leave his Coronado life behind when he set out to become an artist. Evan and Kasey saw him a few months ago in San Francisco, where he had a showing of his film. Matt had hung out with Scott while he was working on his first film, the 2002 documentary *Cul De Sac: A Suburban War Story* (about which, more later). And Jason had hooked up with him in



Garrett Scott

New York a while after Scott had moved there with his longtime girlfriend Rachel.

“Everybody said that the idea that he would expire in Coronado was just sort of shocking,” says Jason of Scott. “After traveling to Iraq several times, Afghanistan... There’s a kind of poetic irony to it that’s really strange.”

“It was amazing how he was honing his skills,” says Jason. “It’s so tragic — not just the personal loss.” Scott had been planning to head north after his visit to Coronado and the Independent Spirit Awards to work on a film about the San Francisco political scene in the 1970s. “He was really passionate about trying to delve into that whole mystery.”

“How Jim Jones was connected to all the power players in the California legislature,” adds Matt. Once, Jones had been a political player. But then, “they ran Jones out of the housing authority. His ideas were too radical; he wanted to build projects in Pacific Heights. When he started his church, suddenly no one knew him. Garrett wanted to peel back the layers.”

Robbie, wearing a brown zip-up sweatshirt with white piping, was not from Coronado — he had worked with Scott on *Cul De Sac*, which got produced in Oakland. “A

bunch of us have been talking, saying, ‘It would be such a great thing to keep the San Francisco project going, in honor of Garrett.’ But you kind of step back a minute, and you realize that what made Garrett’s films was, you’ve got to have his brain.”

“The thing about Garrett,” says UC Davis lecturer Jayne Walker, here with her husband David Reid, “is that he was so fiercely intelligent — he had this highly trained mind, but fortunately for the world, he didn’t want to go on and be an academic.”

The poet Sam Witt, who befriended Scott during Scott’s grad-school days in Wisconsin, elaborates. Though Scott’s chosen field of study was English literature, “he was studying Prop 13, which froze the real estate tax in California, and the effect it had on home ownership. That was the basis of everything — he had this interest in really fundamental things like the housing market.” When Shawn Nelson stole a tank and rode it to his death through Clairemont in 1995, Scott heard the story and understood that “even in that insanity, there was context, there were patterns, and there was meaning. It wasn’t just that Nelson was on speed — there were



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## Gullibility

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has been for years. The thing we excel at is publicity and marketing ourselves. The gullibility factor is high. People read the *Union-Tribune* or watch feel-good TV news shows. Cronyism, the old boys' network, back-scratching have been hallmarks of San Diego from day one." He notes that fellow academic Mike Davis (University of California, Irvine), author of *Under the Perfect Sun: The San Diego Tourists Never See*, calls San Diego the most corrupt city on the West Coast.

Erie is now working on a book: *Trouble in Paradise: Fiscal Crisis and Political Turmoil in San Diego*. He expects that Stanford University Press will have it out by 2008. It has a chapter on white-collar crime in the city. "People forget it is Fleece City. This is a town of easy money and fast money and loose morals," says Erie, who has studied municipal corruption all around the United States. "It is amateur hour in San Diego in charter reform, water, infrastructure, airports, and that creates oppor-

tunities for corruption. We don't conduct enough of the public's business in public, and that may be one reason respondents to the poll are out of it. We do a great job of hiding our dirty linen. We're both corrupt and inefficient as well."

Says Jim Mills, former president pro tem of the state senate, "The political problem in San Diego is that it is inherently corrupt because it is dominated by major contributors, by developers. In the last mayoral election, the developers decided whom they wanted to be mayor and put up the money to get their candidate elected."

"San Diegans are a little more laid-back than people in other communities," says Ed Miller, who was San Diego's first U.S. attorney, from 1966 to 1969, then was district attorney from 1971 to 1995. In addition, "There is a lot of wealth in San Diego." That factor and the gullibility mean that "there are very educated, knowledgeable people who are getting taken by crooks every day," although Miller thinks the Competitive Edge

poll is not on the mark: "The man on the street has a low regard for local government."

John Nienstedt, president of Competitive Edge, says that 30 years ago, "San Diegans had a holier-than-thou, sanctimonious feeling about their city. It has evaporated." But he won't call current residents gullible.

In its December poll, Competitive Edge played a semantic trick on respondents. When the euphemism "elected officials" was substituted for "politicians," the ethics concern plunged. More county residents (34.4 percent) believed there was *no* ethical crisis among "elected officials" than believed there was a serious crisis or worse (34 percent).

"It just shows that people aren't very smart," says activist Mel Shapiro. "A rose by any other name would smell as sweet. In this case, they both smell" (but not sweet).

Perhaps Competitive Edge unknowingly came up with the answer in February of this year. In its monthly poll, it found that 46 percent of county adults have smoked pot at some time. Are they still smok-

ing it?

By December of last year when the poll was taken, City (and County) corruption was there for all to see. The city employees' pension pot had been deliberately underfunded for ten years, and bond investors had been kept in the dark. There had been no City audit for three years, and San Diego was shut out of the bond market. City leaders had fudged annual budget figures. Neighborhood services had declined; the infrastructure continued to deteriorate; police and fire equipment and personnel were inadequate because money had been drained off for corporate-welfare projects.

A city auditor and two city managers had resigned. Members of the pension board had been charged with crimes. The federal government had been investigating the pension mess for almost two years. A councilmember and lobbyist had been convicted in the criminal Strippergate trial. The facts in the Duke Cunningham bribe scandal were on the table, he had resigned his post in Congress, and he pleaded guilty in late

November.

At city hall, "An awful lot of people had to cooperate and work together to create planned chaos," says Shea, who believes auditing firms have found there was "an irregular financial management structure" and it had been created deliberately, "brick by brick."

San Diego "city government has been one of the most corrupt in the U.S.," says city attorney Mike Aguirre, who also puts part of the blame on the *Union-Tribune*. "To understate the problem does a disservice to the city. Several members of council haven't come to terms with the wrongdoing." They continue to shovel taxpayers' money — above \$30 million by now — to forensic consultants such as Kroll Inc. and accounting firm KPMG, which is supposed to provide an audit of the 2003 books.

"The only function Kroll is playing is to keep the investigation open so the councilmembers can say the investigation is not yet complete," says Aguirre. "KPMG is doing everything it can to maximize

Kroll's income."

"The SEC is investigating, the FBI is investigating," says Shapiro. "What is it that neither of these agencies can do with subpoena power that Kroll can do without subpoena power?"

Mayor Jerry Sanders delivered his first State of the City speech a month after the Competitive Edge poll was taken. He declared the City "faces the most serious financial, organization, and ethical crisis in its history." The philosophy around city hall had been "delay, deny, or deceive," quoth he, pledging to change things without "smoke-and-mirror tricks."

Then he went out and hired people from the old-boy-girl network that had gotten the City into trouble: from the Golding administration, the school district, the convention center, the Padres, and developers. Sanders declared that straightening out City-owned real estate assets was a key priority, so he assigned the task to a former lawyer for the trust and foundation of a notorious Las Vegas gangster.

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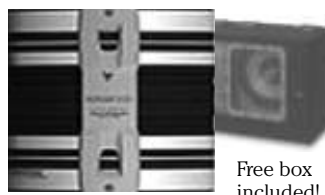
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## CITY LIGHTS

### Gullibility

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Sanders admits the job has proven to be more complicated than he believed when he was making his many campaign promises. But he claims he has made headway in his first 90 days. He hopes to get municipal labor unions to agree to concessions, but it hasn't happened yet. He says Kroll will complete its probe in two months and KPMG will get the 2003 audit out shortly after that, and the City may return to the bond market this year. That remains to be seen.

The mainstream media report that Sanders is cleaning up the mess. But then, they were just as enthusiastic about the mayors who created the mess. Why tell San Diegans something they don't want to hear? ■

### Filmmaker passes

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all kinds of historical, economic, and cultural circumstances that were brought to bear, that created this pressure on people's lives.

"Due to cuts in the military," continues Witt, "Clairemont had become a white ghetto. By talking to Nelson's friends, his former girlfriend, his brother, the cop who killed him, Garrett figured out that what these people were actually losing was a sense of generational stability. They had lost their careers. Many of Nelson's friends were either recovering drug addicts or active drug addicts. Garrett knew intuitively that he could use the tank ride to glue this stuff together because it was flashy, it was dramatic, it was intense." It made for a record

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people might notice. "Garrett used to say, 'A society is only as good as the records it keeps — and we're not keeping any records.'"

The resultant documentary, says *Nation* writer Christian Parenti, "is really subtle. I taught college in San Francisco while I was working on my Ph.D., and I taught Garrett's film. He takes the idea of this guy stealing a tank and uses that to burrow into a whole set of questions that, at first glance, seem too academic to attract anyone's interest. Questions like the role of military production in the production of the landscape of California... the rise and decline of communities in Southern California. And he does it all so seamlessly. History was brought to bear, but not in a didactic mode — just sort of suggested, thrown into the mix."

Parenti met Scott while "organizing an event at which Mike Davis was speaking. Garrett showed up, and he had the trailer for this movie. I was working on my first book [*The Freedom*, an account based on Parenti's reporting from Iraq]. We became friends, and we ended up going to Iraq together. I wasn't part of the production on *Occupation: Dreamland*, but I was with them."

"Them," of course, refers to Scott and his codirector, Ian Olds. Olds met Scott in San Francisco when Scott was "sort of stalled out on his project. My roommate at the time grew up in San Diego and knew Garrett." Olds and his roommate were working as film editors. "Garrett brought over this transcript of the material that he'd shot for *Cul De Sac*, sort of organized like a script, but not really. He had no film training whatsoever. My room-

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mate wasn't available to help, but I read the thing and was sort of moved by what it was. But it wasn't yet a film, and I said, 'Hey, I'd like to work on this with you,' and he said okay. We figured it out as we went. The friendship came out of that, and then we came together to do *Occupation: Dreamland*."

Olds joined in the praises for Scott's intellect; in particular, his genuine curiosity about others. It was the quality that allowed Scott to win the trust of his subjects, he said. "People knew he wasn't asking them questions to win their confidence in order to make them say something useful. He was actually interested in who they were. People felt the difference."

Like Scott's friends Jason and Robbie, Olds mourns the loss of what was yet to be done. "We had a whole body of work that we were thinking of making, one that had some continuous ideas, a way of thinking about the world. After the invasion of Iraq, it seemed like a different world," one that would involve "new kinds of wars, new kinds of motivations, and new consequences." The two had planned an Afghanistan project, which, like the others, would reflect Scott's interest in "power and history and individuals who are caught up in it and are unaware of these structures. In the Afghanistan project, we were looking at the shape of power at the edge of an empire — the U.S. exerting power abroad and the ramifications it has in that environment. There are NGO workers who have become mercenaries. There was a guy claiming to be with Special Forces who was actually a private guy running his own pri-

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vate jail. There's this kind of breakdown. The idea was to do three or four character studies" that would paint a portrait of the region and the forces shaping it.

Scott's interests and San Diego heritage put the writer David Reid in mind of Edmund Wilson's "Jumping-Off Place," a story Wilson wrote for the *New Republic* during the Depression. "At the time, San Diego had the highest suicide rate in the country. Wilson ends with maybe the best paragraph he ever wrote. He says something like, 'Here, under the empty California sun, those people so long told to go west to prosper and be healthy come to the end of their resources. They go out into the municipal golf course and stab themselves to death. They drive into their garages and turn on the gas. They take rat poison. They jump into the bay and drown within sight of the great battleships that set out so long ago to conquer the Hawaiian Islands.' Garrett would have loved the piece — it's got imperialism and personal psychosis."

"I do think that growing up in Coronado was not neutral," adds Jayne Walker. "That whole military culture was something that he eventually had to address. But the thing that totally amazes me is his great affection for the troops in *Occupation: Dreamland*. It's not really an antiwar film — although, the way it comes out, it is — but that's not what he set out to do. He wanted to show these guys who got caught up in an intolerable situation. The portraits are so rich and so complex. [I'm] old enough to remember the way the troops were thought about in Vietnam. He didn't want to do anything that went anywhere near that. They come across as such sweet boys."

One of those boys is Joseph Wood, the soldier-turned-fashion-student recently profiled in *New York* magazine. Wood joined the Army "before 9/11. I needed college money, I wanted to get away from home, and I wanted to do some kind of crazy experience — jump out of helicopters." His enthusiasm for military life survived boot camp but perished soon after his arrival in the 82nd Airborne. By the time he met Scott and Olds, he was feeling disillusioned and ready to get out.

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"I was against the war," he says, "and some of the buddies I lived with were too. We would talk about it amongst ourselves. But once Ian and Garrett came over, it was good to be able to talk to someone external. Right off the bat, they felt really trustworthy. They were able to kind of talk me through things, help me articulate what I was thinking. I didn't know about Halliburton. They gave me some reading material; we discussed it a lot in the first couple of days. It was great, because a lot of the guys in the military are like myself, and they have no political frame of mind. And with the camera in front of me, it was a new way of speaking. It wasn't like preaching to the choir; it was like telling someone."

Meeting Scott and Olds is one of the reasons Wood doesn't regret going into the Army. "I had a lot of good times and met a lot of great people. But it seems like it was meant for me to be in the Army — this whole road I went down, one thing after another. It's like everything kind of worked out perfectly for me to be in that certain place in time to meet these guys. I had the privilege of living with them and getting to be friends with them. And, of course, moving to New York City and being around them. Our friendship grew; I didn't look at them like these guys I met in Iraq; it was like these guys I've always known."

These were Scott's friends, and they praise his friendship with the same emotion as they praise his work. Matthew knew Scott in San Francisco, "when he was sort of kicking around the idea of *Cul De Sac* in his head. I just remember long discussions, and we became fast, fast friends. The night before he died, I was sitting at work telling a friend of mine about my friend Garrett, about his film. I realized I was telling this person how proud I was to have someone like Garrett in my life." His girlfriend Rachel met him when she showed *Cul De Sac* as part of a film series. What attracted her? "His intellect" is her first response. But then she adds, "The fact that he would meet you and be, like, 'Hello.'" By way of illustration, she wraps her fingers around my arm and squeezes gently, fixing me with an engaging stare. "His absolute warmth." ■

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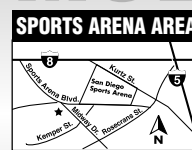


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### Pretty Silly Stuff

While under normal circumstances I would not want to respond, last week's letter from former Zeros/Riot Act bassist Hector Peñalosa about the March 9 cover story ("Big in Spain") contained too many inaccuracies to ignore.

First off, I've never claimed to be related to Napoleon. That quote is clearly from Ray Brandes in the article. I haven't done a word count, but although I was the cover subject, I think Ray, who is not in the Shambles, was actually the main interviewee. In addition, Hector's point about American musicians being well received in Spain is well taken, but then that's in part the point of the article and likely why Paul Williams interviewed more than one source, here and there. The Riot Act was just one part of the story that continues to today, possibly of interest here because it included San Diegans from various bands specifically to go to Spain.

Lastly, while money was certainly tight for me on the Riot Act tour, I did not pay my own way on that tour or any prior or subsequent visits to date. To be sure, things have been low-frills at times, but either my label or publisher at the time has taken care of travel; others have had both better and worse times.

As for the rest of the letter, wow. It's not supposed to be a contest; it's supposed to be about making music. Personal grudge, sour grapes, bad day, whatever, it's pretty silly stuff from a very talented musician.

P.S.: I have to mention the odd coincidence that an article on Hector ran in the back of the same issue of the Reader ("Driven," March 9).

Bart Mendoza  
via e-mail

### Bring Bunny In

Your March 9 article in "Best Buys," by Eve Kelly, in which she researches housing options for pet rabbits, completely missed the mark when she bypassed the experiences of more than 600 San Diego County households whose pet rabbits live indoors as cherished family companions. Elevated to the same status as your pet cat or dog, these house rabbits are spayed or neutered, litter-box trained, and live either in a specially built house-rabbit cage or, better yet, in an x-pen environment combined with at least four hours of free run per day. Rabbits are social animals who crave companionship and in the absence of another rabbit will bond with the family cat or gentle dog. They love to play with toys, will interact with their humans in playing games, and thrive in a daily routine that makes them part of the family's activities. Housing your rabbit in the back yard is passé. Educated rabbit caretakers have learned the joy of bringing bunny indoors where they can enjoy interacting with their human families and live as a cherished member of the family. Learn more about house rabbits in San Diego by visiting [www.sandiegorabbits.org](http://www.sandiegorabbits.org). The San Diego House Rabbit Society's membership consists of more than 600 San Diego County house-rabbit homes.

Judith Pierce  
via e-mail

### One Intelligent Reason

Regarding last week's letter to the editor (March 9) complaining about Naomi Wise's review of Dussini (Restaurant Review, March 2), I wish that the husband-and-wife team who wrote the letter had given one intelligent reason to go to Dussini (and ambiance and their supposed discriminating palate are not intelligent reasons). All I could read from the letter was that they don't like the company that Naomi keeps and they really don't like to venture out to new restaurants. Come on, who goes to the same restaurant six times and can't tell me what's good on the menu? Obviously, this couple.

Barbie and Ken  
via e-mail

### Moving, Not Corny

I'm writing in response to the "Diary of a Diva" article "Codependent Ever After" (March 9). A lot of your readers may write in and say that it was the corniest thing they had ever read, but I had to write and commend Barbarella on a moving, well-written piece. She truly captured the essence of love, and being codependent in this way is a real picture of love. Those of us in loving relationships applaud you, Barbarella, for reminding us of what we have.

Grace David  
via e-mail

### I Too Was A Victim

I cannot believe I just now discovered the "It's a Crime" section. I usually don't go that far into the Reader. I always read the cover story, though. I wish I had known of it long before. You see, I too was a victim of crime, and there's sort of a comfort in reading I'm not alone in these things.

Kim Young  
Alpine

### Terribly Offensive

I am writing in response to the February 23 article written by Laura McNeal entitled "Let the World See Your Pretty Face." She should be commended for the giving of her time as a volunteer at Arc. It is such a shame, though, that her possible good intentions have had such far-reaching negative results due to the horrible one-sidedness of the article.

I am the mother of a ten-year-old daughter with Down syndrome who has written her own letter to Laura. I was appalled and disappointed in her ignorance and your printing of such offensive and insensitive descriptions of Down syndrome; for example, "their Oompa-Loompa bodies," and another, "as everyone knows...they are what used to be called Mongoloid" (that was nearly 50 years ago, so no, not everyone knows that, so what is the purpose of reintroducing such a negative and discriminatory term?).

The article's intended purpose seems to be to educate expectant parents or new parents of a baby with Down syndrome on what the future holds for their

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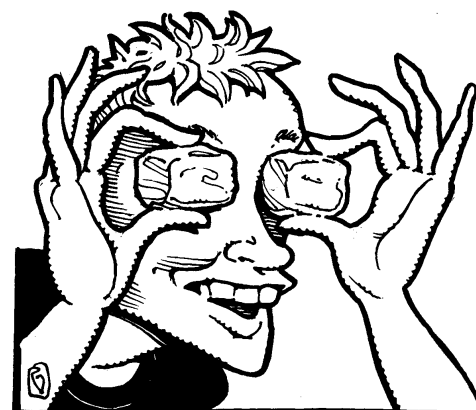


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# STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP

BY MATTHEW ALICE

Illustration by Rick Geary



Hey, Matt:

Seeing my homemade ice cubes cloud up my gin and tonic is a bummer. O sage of San Diego, is it possible to make clear ice cubes at home? If your answer is yes, please share with me the Alice family secret.

— Paul in LJ

We have plenty of secrets, some involving gin. Nothing related to making ice, though. But Grandma volunteered to take a whack at the question. She says the cloudy stuff in your cubes is just air bubbles, and maybe some crud particles from your pipes, which help the bubbles form. They get squeezed into the center as the ice crystals form. Commercial ice makers get the air out by pouring water over a freezer element and building up the cubes in thin layers or agitating the air out to begin with or sucking it out before the cubes freeze completely. Most home recipes for clear cubes involve using distilled water (relatively crud free) or boiling bottled or tap water, letting it cool, then filling the trays. We made cubes from unfiltered, unaerated tap water, also distilled water, "purified" water, and spring water, all off the grocer's shelf. Round 1: Unboiled samples. Hopeless. Air blobs in all of them. Purified the clearest, distilled the cloudiest. Round 2: Samples boiled hard for three minutes. Better, but still not completely clear. All bottled waters about the same, but even the tap was improved. So we flunked the crystal-clear test, but maybe you'll do better. Boiling seems to be the key. Boiled ice cubes?

Matt:

At what point exactly is a couple considered legally married? When the preacher says, "I now pronounce you man and wife," or when they file the license or what? And what about all these ads for chapels that say they will perform a "confidential marriage"? What's that?

— Been There, Done That, San Diego

Consider this scene in a local garage. The prospective bride and groom and Art, the guy who fixes their Camaro, are standing under the lift. Art is tinkering with the muffler. "Hey, dude," says Art, putting down his wrench, "you wanna be married to this babe?"

"Yup."

"Cool with you too, hot momma?"

"Neat-o!"

There's a little paperwork to complete, but if Dude and Momma have done their homework properly, the state considers them officially married. In California marriage is a contract. As soon as the parties state their agreement with the terms ("I do"), the deed is done. Well, assuming a few things: they're a man and a woman, at least 18 years old, not on parole or probation (can't enter into contracts without special permission), they got a marriage license from a county clerk somewhere in the state, they have witnesses to the vows, and Art is legally qualified to perform marriages. Hair-raising bachelor parties and ugly bridesmaid dresses may be tradition, but they're not the law. Most of the frippery before, during, and after the vows are just for show.

To qualify as master of ceremonies, grease monkey Art must be either an ordained clergyman in his spare time or be deputized by the county clerk to perform the marriage. The state makes no judgments about religious denomination. Mail-order clergy are just as legitimate as the Pope. The Universal Life Church in Modesto ordains every member as a minister (as long as your check doesn't bounce, I think), so anybody with a piece of paper from the ULC can legally perform ceremonies. Quakers and other denominations that have no clergy are permitted to have couples state their own vows in front of the congregation.

If Dude and Momma have been living together for at least a year, they qualify for a confidential marriage. This still requires a license and a ceremony. You're still listed in county records as having been married, but the license application forms, date of marriage, and other personal details are locked up and not available for public scrutiny. A standard "public" marriage license is public record. A confidential marriage license also can be issued without a health certificate, so no blood tests are required. These marriages have been legal since the Gold Rush days and are a California exclusive, the only state that offers a deal like this.

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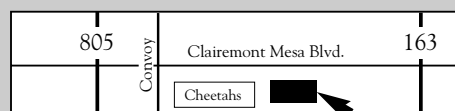


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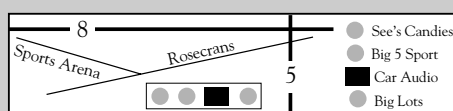


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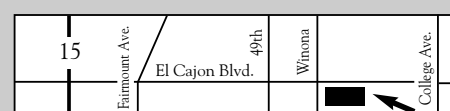
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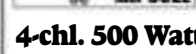
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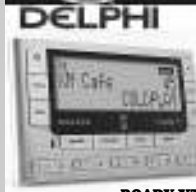
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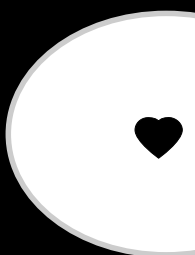
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## SportingBox

By Patrick Daugherty

## Sweet Sixteen

The usual schools remain standing as the NCAA men's basketball tournament rolls through its second week. We have Connecticut, Villanova, Florida, Georgetown, Duke, UCLA, blah, blah, blah, and Bradley. Bradley. What is Bradley?

Turns out, this notable institution was founded in 1897 as Bradley Polytechnic Institute. The widow Bradley (Lydia Moss Bradley to you) dedicated it to her departed husband, Tobias, who left the planet 30 years earlier. Lydia wanted to "found a school where young people could learn how to do practical things to prepare them for living in the modern world."

And what better way to begin than the way Lydia did, by buying a majority stake in that LaParte, Indiana, academy of scholarship, the Parsons Horological School, forever celebrated as the first school for watchmakers in the United States. After Lydia gained control, she did the sensible thing and moved Parsons Horological to Peoria where it began its butterfly transformation into Bradley Polytechnic Institute, which became a college in 1920 and university in 1946.

This is how babies are made.

Today, Bradley University has 5369 undergraduate students and 785 graduate students; about the size of University of San Diego. Tuition runs a little over \$18,000.

The university is located in Peoria, which, for the geographical curious, is a town that lies east of West Peoria and west of East Peoria, in the grand state of Illinois, midway between Chicago and St. Louis. Bradley is a small college in a static city. The population of Peoria in 1940 was 105,000, climbed to 124,000 by 1980, and fell back to 112,000 in 2000.

Bradley University, for readers who have not been watching the tournament, is a 13th-seed that beat 4th seed Kansas and 5th seed Pittsburgh in order to qualify for the third round for the first time in 51 years. The Braves barely made the tournament this year, was the next-to-last team invited. And, no wonder, the team finished tied for fifth in the (not-a-household-name) Missouri Valley Conference. In fact, conference rivals Missouri State and Creighton were not invited, and they ended conference play with better records than Bradley. The Braves got in because they finished the season strong, winning eight of their last ten games.

The Braves play number-one seed Memphis Thursday night at the Oakland Arena and will be run over. The Braves are regarded as this year's novelty school. But, it wasn't always this way. There was a time when Bradley was a

mover and a shaker in college basketball.

We'll start in the 1929-30 season, when the Braves won the Illinois Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Eight years later, after Bradley had won 40 consecutive games against conference opponents, they were invited to the inaugural 1938 National Invitation Tournament (NIT). The Braves lost in the first round and ended their season at 18-2. Next year was better. They went 19-3 and received an invitation to the NIT and an invitation to the first NCAA basketball tournament.

In those days, the NIT was considered the more prestigious tournament. The NIT played in New York City, at Madison Square Garden. The NCAA held its tournament in Evanston, Illinois. Where would you want to play?

Turns out, Bradley has been in the top tier of American collegiate basketball for decades. That small school has played in the following NCAA tournaments: 1950, 1954, 1955, 1980, 1986, 1988, 1996, 2006, and made the Final Four in 1950 and 1954. Bradley appeared in the NIT in 1938, '39, 1947, '49, 1950, '57, '58, '59, 1960, '62, '64, '65, '68, 1982, '85, 1994, '95, '97, '99, and 2001, winning the trophy four times.

Other than the unfortunate point-shaving scandal of 1950 (three Bradley players pled guilty to accepting bribes, conniving to keep their team's score below the point spread), Bradley has played exceptional basketball for decades. They played pretty good in 1950, too, finishing second in the National Invitation Tournament and second in the NCAA tournament.

I'll jump to the Big Picture.

San Diego State made it to the NIT twice, in 1982 and 2003. SDSU has been to the NCAA basketball tournament five times and never won a game. The university has 26,000 undergraduates and 6000 graduate students vs. Bradley's 5300 and 800. SDSU averaged 7172 fans per home game last year. Bradley averaged 9338 fans. San Diego's population is 1,300,000 vs. Peoria's 118,000.

The unremitting incompetence of San Diego State basketball is absolutely astounding. They have fielded mediocrity year after year, decade after decade. SDSU is on the main line, in the big time, snuggled in rich, sunny Southern California between beaches and mountains, and can't figure out how to out-recruit the likes of Bradley. Can't figure it out over the course of three generations.

Mayhap, we've entered a new era; coach Fisher has taken the Aztecs to the NCAAs twice in seven years. Maybe this is the beginning of something good. Maybe, but that's not the way to bet.

## The Vegas Line

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Screened doors partially obscured the view into the sanctuary; throughout the liturgy, the doors were opened, shut, and sometimes — as during the Communion — backed by a purple curtain, which secreted the priest from sight.

The Communion provided a moment of silence, unbroken by sung or chanted prayer from choir, priest, or deacon. "Bless the Lord, O my Soul!" rang out the choir in their singsong chant as they began the First Antiphon, the harmonies full of major-interval buoyancy. "Who redeems your life from the pit, Who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy." The buoyancy endured through the Second Antiphon, which praised Christ for "trampling down death by death," then slowed and mellowed for the Third, which recounted the Beatitudes. Numerous other prayers — some mournful in tone, some solemn, some joyful — continued the praise of God and His saints, and the imploring of His mercy and aid in matters both general and particular.

When the deacon chanted his petitions, he stood with his back to the people, bearing one end of his stole aloft in his right hand. After each petition, he bowed and made the sign of the cross with the stole. (The stole, like his vestments and those of the priest, were satiny purple, trimmed and patterned with gold, and did not drape his form so much as they surrounded it.) At times, he wielded a thurifer hung with bells, each puff of incense attended by a chorus of muted jingling. Everything was incensed — icons, altar, priest, and congregation — and the smoke rose into the sunlit dome.

For the Gospel reading, Hieromonk Jonah processed into the midst of the people, surrounded by candle- and cross-bearers, and by two men carrying what looked like sunbursts on staves. The golden sunbursts bore the images of

Seraphim — six-winged angels who hymn God "with the thrice-holy cry." As Father read, the bearers inclined the sunbursts toward him, the Seraphim attending to the Word.

Before receiving Communion, both priest and people ceased their chant and song to declare, "I believe, O Lord, and I confess that Thou art truly the Christ...who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. I believe also that this is truly Thine own most pure Body, and that this is truly Thine own precious Blood. Therefore, I pray thee: have mercy upon me... May the communion of Thy holy mysteries be neither to my judgment, nor to my condemnation, O Lord, but to the healing of soul and body."

The congregation filed forward. They paused to bow and kiss the icon of Saint Gregory as it rested on its stand and then approached the priest. He stood, holding the chalice with one hand and a tiny spoon with the other, while two servers kept a red cloth suspended below the chalice. The choir repeated "Receive the body of Christ/Taste the fountain of immortality" as Father dipped his

spoon and distributed Communion to adult and child and toddler. He bent as necessary and held the base of the chalice to the Communicants' lips so that they might kiss it.

After the dismissal, Father Alexander led the faithful in a final remembrance of the dead, especially the recently departed. Again he incensed the image of the crucified Christ, commemorating the dead to His mercy in tones that rose in pitch and intensity as the jingle of the bells on the thurifer magnified into a clamor.

Visiting Hieromonk Jonah's sermon came at the end of the liturgy. "Last week, we celebrated Orthodoxy Sunday," he began. "What we celebrated, really, was the sanctification of matter. That Jesus actually came and took flesh. He became exactly what we are that He might make us what He is." This Sunday was the feast of St. Gregory Palamas. "One of the things that has

always been crucial in the Church is this balance between an intellectual understanding and authentic spiritual experience...that has been identical from the apostles down to our day. St. Gregory was one who entered into that." Though schooled in philosophy, he fought against "this kind of reduction of everything to rational categories, even theology: 'If you can't name it or put it into words, it doesn't exist.'" Gregory "practiced inner stillness.... In the Gospel, Jesus would withdraw and pray. 'Be still and know that I am God.'"

What happens when we die?

"We go into the presence of God," says Hieromonk Jonah. "Heaven and hell are not places. Rather, it's the state of being in the presence of God. If you like it, it's heaven, and if you don't like it, it's hell. The fires of hell are the burning love of God, which we hate [if we don't love God back]. I read somewhere that in the West, the understanding of hell is far more influenced by Dante than it is by the teachings of the Church."

— Matthew Lickona



JONAH PAFFHAUSEN

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**Sermon**

content.....★★<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>  
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**Liturgy**.....★★★★

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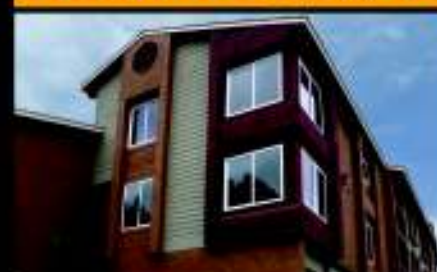
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## BestBuys

—EVE KELLY

My gal pal Bernice turns 40 this summer. Her hubby Frank is taking her to Cancún to celebrate. Bernice has been preparing for the trip — working out, dieting, and shopping for new outfits. “But my hair is a fizzy mess,” she complained during our weekly kaffeeklatsch. “Too many dye jobs. I wish I had new hair.” I suggested a Dolly Parton wig. She wasn’t amused. “Then what about hair extensions?” I offered. She looked skeptical, but said she’d consider it if I could find something that didn’t look horrible.

I love a challenge, especially one from Bernice. I called C13 Salon, which is located downtown. “Once people have had extensions, then they really don’t want to live without them,” explained Rebecca Nan Franks, cosmetologist at C13. “I have clients that have been wearing them for ten years. The day they have a set removed, they have another set put in.”

Franks says the reasons for putting them in vary. “Genetically your hair will grow to a certain length and then it will fall out,” Franks continued. “So a lot of people get extensions for that reason. They want hair that is longer than their own will grow. Also, some people have really fine hair. I do a lot of models and people that are in the entertainment industry. The hair photographs better when you have extensions. It’s beautiful hair, it’s giving you what you don’t normally have.”

Franks added another plus to hair extensions. “Let’s say your hair is 18 inches long. But on your head you have little short loose pieces of hair that are different lengths. If you put in an 18-inch piece of hair extension, that highlight is going to travel all the way from the top to the bottom. So you get a whole different effect of your color with the extensions.”

“And it is just fun,” she added. “I have clients who change their hair totally different colors every three to four months. Extensions come in colors like fire engine red, fuchsia, purple, blue, so you can add in funky colors with the hair. It’s a way to do something fun with your hair, and a month from now, if you are sick of it, have it removed.”

Who donates the hair?

“One of the companies I use, Great Lengths, gets their hair from the temples in India,” she replied. “Hindu women grow their hair their whole life. They don’t color it or perm it. Their hair is their treasure. When they get married, they go to the temple and they have their hair cut as an offering to their god. The temples then sell the hair to Great Lengths, who then processes the hair in Italy. The way they process it is they remove all the pigment from the hair. It’s an osmosis treatment that takes anywhere from 16 to 22 days for the process to occur. So it’s a lot more gentle process than getting highlights done in half an hour. Then Great Lengths re-dyes their hair with textile

“The hair photographs better when you have extensions.”

dyes, very similar to the way that cashmere is processed. So their colors stay forever.”

There are a few different methods of putting in hair extensions. Franks uses the fusion method. “The hair comes with a bond already attached to the individual strands of hair and then we fuse that to the client’s hair. To me it’s more durable, more permanent. It becomes your hair. And nobody knows that you have them.”

Franks laid out a few other hair extension methods.

“Another method, by a company called Hairlocs, is a metal link that has a wax inside of the metal. You use it like a little crochet hook, you pull a piece of hair out and put that little loop through the hair and then you smash it onto the hair. The benefit to them is they can be put back in, and they are taken out a little easier, but to me, they are a bit more obvious than the fusion method.”

Then there is the weave.

“A small braid like a little French braid is done right at the scalp area.

Then they take what’s called a weft of hair, which is a bunch of hair usually machine sewn together, and they sew that onto the braid. If you just wanted a temporary attachment, you want to make sure that it isn’t

going to come out for an

evening out, then the weave is a good option. The problem with it, however, is as your hair grows out, that braid is growing out. The other problem is that you’re getting tension where that braid is, your cuticle gets friction where that braid is.”

How long do they last?

“I have clients that wear them up to seven months, but on average three to four months. The extensions grow out with your hair, which is why they need to get redone. Also, your naturally shedding hair gets trapped in the hair extension, and they don’t have anywhere to go. So the extension that’s attached to your hair is being supported by less and less hair. So it’s important to have your hairdresser check your hair after getting extensions.”

Any special care needed for hair extensions?

“Brushing hair is very important,” answered Franks. “You can blow dry the hair and flat iron your hair. But you don’t want to flat iron over the bond because it will re-melt.”

The price, Franks says, “depends on how much hair we need to actually put in. People’s head circumferences are different and longer length hairs are more expensive. It can range anywhere from \$300 up to \$2500 and it takes anywhere from three to five hours to put them in.”

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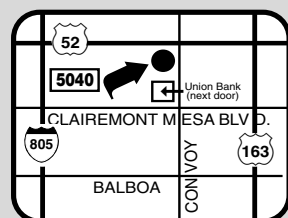
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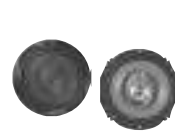
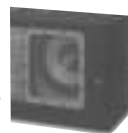
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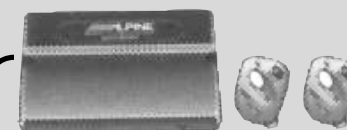
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by Josh Board

**f**or the past 30 years, Larry has been traveling south of the border to party on his birthday. He and his friend Mary McDonauld charter a bus and pile all their friends into it for the trip into Baja.

I showed up early Saturday morning and threw my bag onto the bus along with everyone else's. I was surprised by the number of bags people packed for an overnight stay.

Roll call was taken (Larry's a teacher), and our money was collected (\$15 for the round trip). The Rosarito Beach Hotel ocean-view rooms for two were \$89.

As we drove through Point Loma, I couldn't believe how loud the group was on the bus. We sounded as if we were kids on a field trip, though the average age was 40. The e-mail invitation promised the bus would be filled with "teachers, jewelry dealers, filmmakers, musicians, college professors, authors, photographers...and an Elvis impersonator."

The Elvis impersonator I had met at a concert the night before. He was the drummer for the Johnny Cash tribute band Cash'd Out.

Larry handed out candy and again we sounded as if we were kids. We groaned when we saw



that it was sugar-free. Leslie, whom I sat next to, had a stash of Dove chocolates, which we devoured. Other people had their own stashes — coffee, alcohol.

The scenery improved when we got through the border and TJ and out to the coast road. As we drove along the coastline, I saw three men with rifles standing in front of a pottery store. There were sandbags stacked in front of them. Sights like this



were delicious. The fajitas I ordered were not. A mariachi band entertained us, and they were able to play most of the songs we shouted for.

A retired librarian seated at my table told me a little

'60s. One time they saw John Wayne going into an event and asked him if he could get them in. He put his arms around them, and they entered. That may be one of the best party-crashing stories of all time.

A couple at my table talked about their trip to Venice. I asked if they rode in a gondola. The woman said yes, but her husband said no. She said, "Yes we did. That's how we got to the hotel." He said, "No, it was a motorboat."

After lunch, we browsed along the sidewalk vendors. It reminded me of a swap meet. Leslie saw TV newsman Larry

Himmel and yelled out his name. He came over with his camera crew and asked us how often we came to Puerto Nuevo and how it's changed. I told Himmel that it was my first time there. Another person reported that, years ago, you had to go to people's houses to eat fresh lobster; that you had to go door to door through Puerto Nuevo to find out who caught lobster that day.

Larry had told a story on the bus about his students making a film called *No Luck for Fat Duck*. It was about a man who cooked the pet duck he had as a boy. When I came across a table filled with animals carved from wood, I decided to buy a duck for Larry. The saleslady said it was \$20. As I bargained with her, Leslie said she'd pay half. The saleslady's eyes turned to dollar signs. We purchased the duck for \$10.

As the bus departed Puerto Nuevo, I was amazed how the driver negotiated the sharp turns and narrow alleys on the way back to the coast road.

A few passengers told me about a time during a storm that their bus rolled backwards down a hill. Someone on the bus had to climb over the bus driver to put her foot on the brake while everyone evacuated

**"That thing looks like a bomb. We'll be lucky to get it across the border."**

aren't as worrisome when you are on a crowded bus.

The bus stopped in Puerto Nuevo for lunch. Everyone ordered lobster, and the place gave us a discount for having a large party. The free margaritas

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It was 14 the first time I learned there was a party held by one of my friends to which I had not been invited. It was an end-of-the-year bash and, if the conversations in art class the following Monday were any indication, every person in my grade had been there. At first I was devastated. Then I felt ashamed, which quickly morphed into indignant anger. The last emotion, which pulled up a chair and sat with me for many weeks, was self-pity.

Why wasn't I liked? How come all my other friends got to go but I was excluded? What's wrong with me? I'm a loser, that's what. An uninvited, unwanted, on-the-social-periphery loser.

In elementary school, I placed valentines in the bag attached to each of my classmates' desks. Year after year, I relived my disappointment and sadness when I arrived home, excitedly dumped my bag on the floor, and counted, over and over again, as if by the fifteenth time I counted, the measly

number of cards would have magically increased.

In high school, when I hosted parties, I invited *everyone*. It was the right thing to do, the nice thing to do. But there was an underlying reason for my unending hospitality — my biggest fear was that people might not like me. If I overlooked anyone, it was possible he or she would resent me for the slight, and I could not handle being disliked as consequence for my carelessness.

After I graduated and got a job, I realized the world was much bigger than high school. It fast became apparent I would have to adapt to the reality of adult social interaction, beginning with one of the basic laws of humanity: The more people I meet, the less likely it is that everyone I know will like me, just as I will probably not like everyone I know. In order to compensate for the inevitable, I focused my atten-

tion on learning how to like myself, so as to soften the first blow of social rejection.

It was only after I had moved to L.A. and feverishly amassed a collection of friends so vast I could not fit them into my apartment at the same time that, after trying to squeeze them in anyway and having my place trashed as a result, I realized it had become impractical for me to invite everybody I knew to every party I threw. Most of us reach this point of maturity, when we become more selective about our time and the people to whom we choose to give it.

Despite this social growth spurt, it was not until recently (within the last year) that I have been able to withhold invitations without feeling guilty and to accept the fact that I was not invited to gatherings without becoming upset. Unfortunately, with overlapping groups of friends, some from which I have attempted to extricate myself due to the simple fact that I no longer like them, feelings are easily hurt — especially among those who are as insecure, self-centered, and desperate to be liked as I once was.

Last year, when David and I were hosting monthly cheese parties, we invited only six to eight people at a time, mostly to save money on extra cheese and wine and to keep the atmosphere intimate and warm. After one such party, my friend Jen revealed to me during a phone conversation that a mutual friend of ours had asked her, "Why didn't Barb and David invite me to their cheese party?" Jen had answered with another question: "When was the last time you talked to Barb?"

"I'll tell you when," I snapped into the receiver. "Over six months ago!"

"That's my point," Jen said. "I also asked her, 'When was the last time you invited Barb and David over to your house?' And the answer was 'Never.' So why she expected to be invited and then got upset when she wasn't is beyond me."

Of all events that may lead to invitation distress, the wedding is the worst. Such momentous occasions are best when shared with loved ones, but the cost per head can get pretty high. So why are so many wedding invitations born of guilt and obligation? Said to be the most important day in a woman's life, a wedding is a giant, expensive party with an emotional core and the added drama that only family can bring.

Planning a wedding is stressful enough without having to worry about how the hundreds of people you know might react if not invited. I can still remember the arguments surrounding my sister's wedding.

Mom would shout, "What about Fran?" Okay, given, as the mother of the bride, forking over the dough, she gets to show off to whomever she pleases — but Fran had never met my sister, and Mom had never socialized with her. Fran was a coworker Mom felt obligated to invite. If it were my "special day," I wouldn't want to spend even ten seconds talking to a random when the room is filled with people I actually care about.

During a recent party I did not attend, one guest, let's call him Mr. A, attacked another guest, Mr. B, because he was not invited to Mr.

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B's wedding. This information was relayed to me within minutes of the dramatic scene via cell phone and satellite uplinks as I sat sipping hot apricot tea at the Urban Grind (I love technology). After Mr. A screamed and yelled, Mr. B calmly posed the following question: "What is my last name?" The point of this question was to demonstrate that A and B were acquaintances, not friends, and that Mr. A was delusional to assume he should be invited to this intimate (and costly) gathering when he hardly knew the two men who would be saying their vows to each other.

If you were working within a budget to throw a

wedding and you had to choose a limited number of people to invite and *pay for*, would you choose someone you rarely speak to? Someone who doesn't even know your last name? On the flip side, why would you ever expect someone to pay for your dinner and good time at their wedding when you only see them on occasion at a mutual friend's house?

I'm not 14 anymore. I do not expect my friends, whom I imagine are as busy as I am, to invite me to every gathering or outing they organize. I certainly do not expect people who don't like me to throw invitations my way, and I accept the reality that not everyone likes me

and I respect their opinions. It's impossible for everyone to like everyone else.

Sometimes you stop liking the people you used to like, and that's okay. There are simply too many people in the world with whom I get along to spend any time lamenting the loss of those who fall by the wayside. My advice to myself earlier this year, the advice I still live by in order to cope with what some call "elitism" but I call "common sense," is as follows: Know whose company you enjoy, and minimize the time you spend with all the rest. It's your life. Don't waste it on things as silly and ineffective as obligation and guilt. ■

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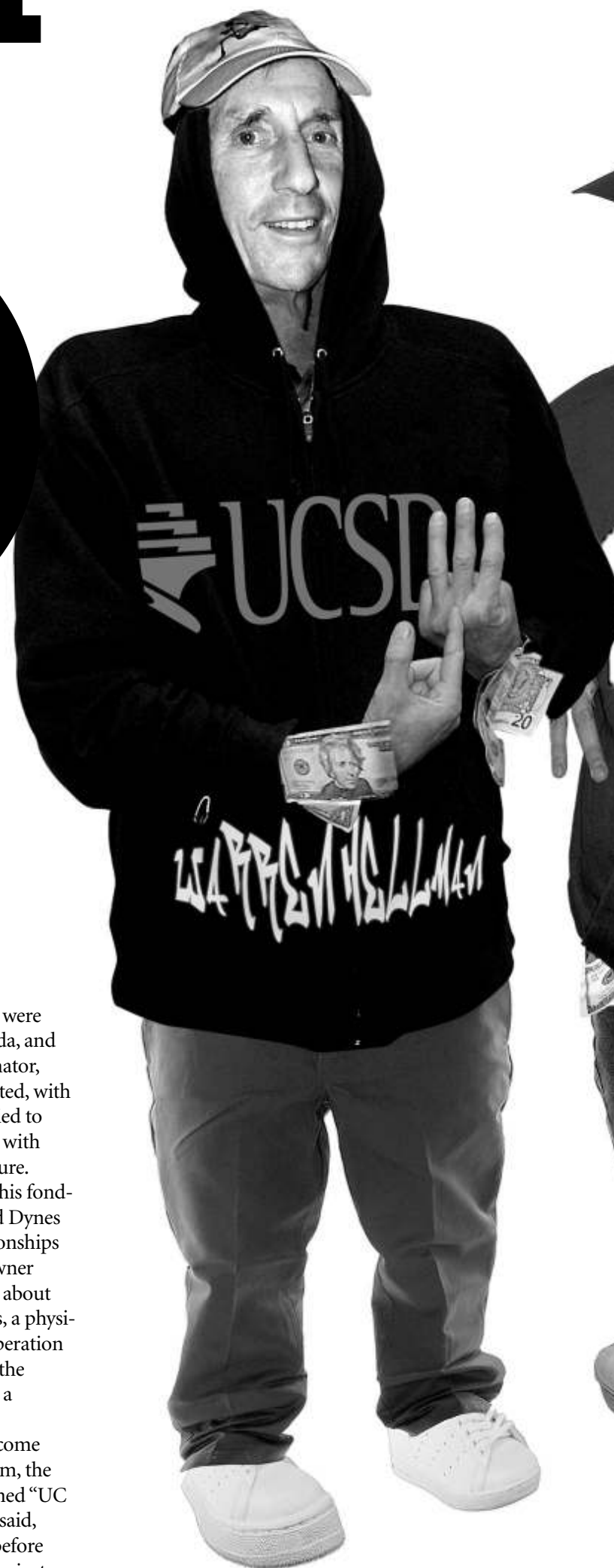
“Bob set high standards for himself and his administration as well as innovative ways to meet them. This is truly the sign of someone who is a special leader. I am not just saying this because I am his friend; others see this quality in him as well.”

Two years later, as Cunningham was pleading guilty to bribery after selling congressional favors to the highest bidder, Dynes was facing his own problems. Headlines questioned undisclosed bonuses paid to UC’s top administrators. State senators would soon question Dynes’s leadership ability. In an era of state budget shortfalls, the University of Cali-

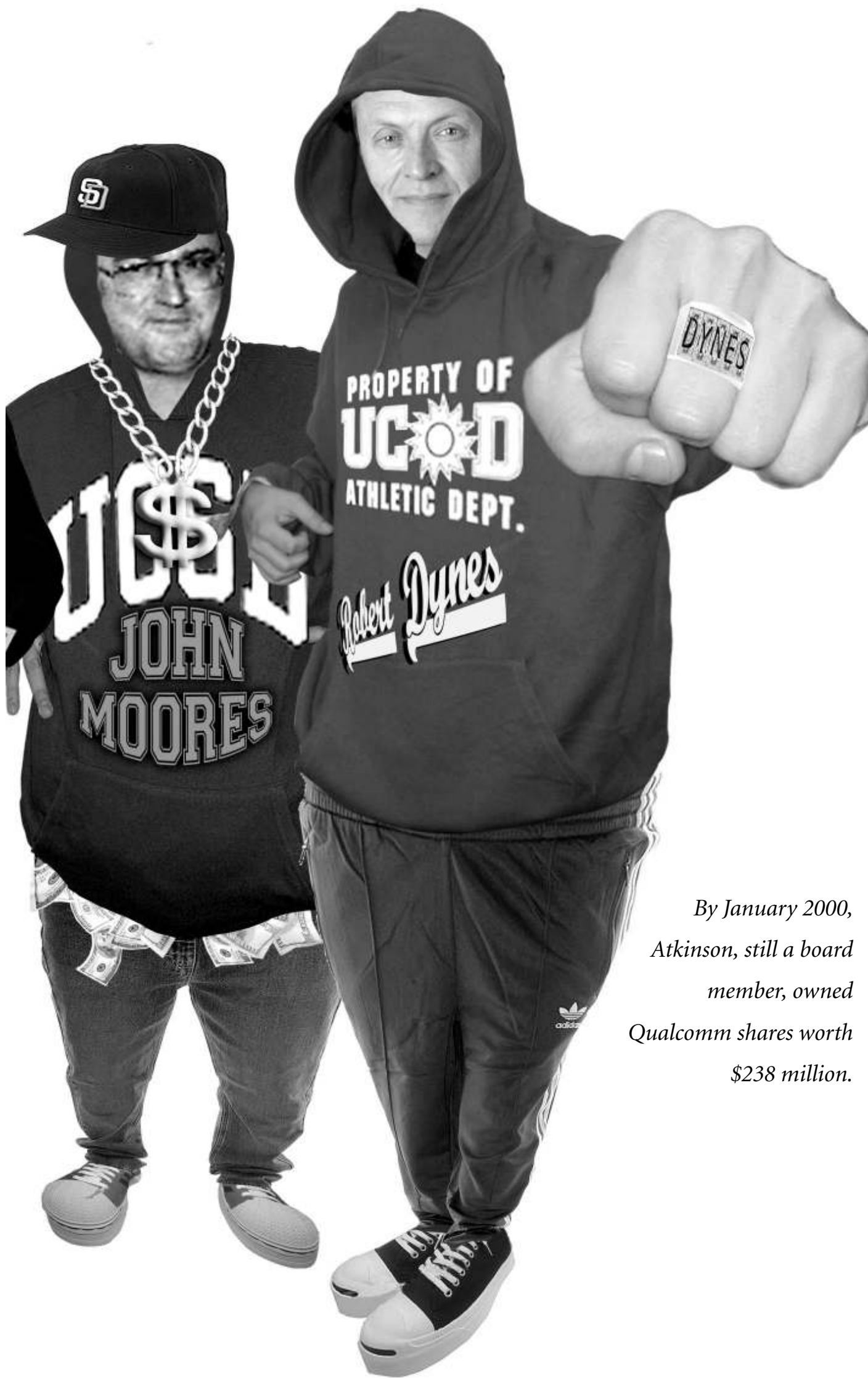
fornia was in transition. Venture-capital financiers were taking over much of the university’s research agenda, and administrators’ bonuses, according to one state senator, reflected “corporatization.” Dynes was well connected, with a wealthy wife and father-in-law who was closely tied to California’s financial establishment. Collaboration with industry was Dynes’s vision for the university’s future.

Randy “Duke” Cunningham was not alone in his fondness for Dynes. The San Diego establishment loved Dynes when he was UCSD chancellor. He had cozy relationships with Qualcomm’s Irwin Jacobs and with Padres owner John Moores. The *Union-Tribune* was enthusiastic about Dynes and the direction UCSD was taking. “Dynes, a physicist by training, keenly understands that close cooperation between academia and high-tech entrepreneurs is the surest way to accelerate the new economy,” effused a December 2000 editorial.

When it was announced that Dynes would become president of the entire ten-campus university system, the *U-T* was even more effusive. In an editorial headlined “UC makes a splendid choice for chancellor,” the paper said, “Dynes spent 22 years at AT&T Bell Laboratories before joining UCSD. His considerable experience in the private







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Wrote Neil Morgan, “Outspoken and courageous, Dynes will be a scrappy president of the University of California, putting his job on the line every day. Even under the pressure of taking on a sprawling public giant and overseeing a budget of \$15 billion, his idealism explodes in every conversation.”

The paper played up Dynes’s purported humble beginnings. “A first-generation college graduate of Canadian descent, he has risen to the top of his profession by dint of hard work and determination. During his proactive chancellorship, UCSD has flourished.”

But Dynes was not a self-made man. After leaving a messy first marriage in New Jersey, he had wed an heiress to one of California’s

wealthiest and most powerful dynasties, dating from San Francisco’s Gold Rush days.

Frances Hellman, a Dartmouth College graduate, had worked for Dynes at AT&T Bell Labs. In 1987 she left to become an assistant physics professor at UCSD, and in 1991 Dynes followed her to the university. Three years later, Dynes rose to chair the physics department, the next year he was appointed senior vice chancellor of academic affairs, and the following year, in May 1996, Dynes was named UCSD’s chancellor, succeeding Richard Atkinson, who had been elevated to UC president.

Two months later, in July 1996, Dynes filed for divorce from his first wife, Christel. They had been married almost 30 years. In January 1997, Christel filed an emotional counter-complaint against her hus-

band. It revealed that the couple had been living apart for the prior 6 years. “On or about January 1, 1991, ever since which time and for more than 12 months last past, [Robert Dynes] has willfully and continuously deserted [Christel Dynes].”

The case was settled a year later, in January

Labs.

Five months after the divorce became final, he took a new bride. “Dynes and physicist Frances Hellman will wed in May,” wrote *U-T* columnist Neil Morgan. “The daughter of a San Francisco financier, she’s become a hard-line Padres fan.”

But Frances Hell-

one of the richest and most powerful businessmen in the state. Among his many wealthy associates is San Diego Padres owner John Moores, with whom he has invested in some of the high-tech start-ups clustered around UCSD.

A graduate of UC Berkeley, Hellman has long been a major player in the secretive internal politics of the University of California. He is famous for making multimillion-dollar charitable contributions to his alma mater. He has been a frequent contributor to the campaigns of politicians like Assembly Speaker, later San Francisco mayor, Willie Brown and Governors Pete Wilson and Gray Davis.

Hellman has also stage-managed some of the university’s most controversial moves, such as the 1997 merger of medical facilities at UCSF and Stanford,

which critics said squandered tax dollars and reduced health-care choices for the poor. Hellman, through his San Francisco firm Hellman & Friedman, manages billions of dollars for a host of investors, including the massive California Public Employees’ Retirement System — CalPERS for short. In that role Hellman weathered charges that campaign contributions he and other family members made to state officeholders were intended to induce the CalPERS board to steer additional investment business to Hellman’s firm.

Thus, when Dynes married Frances Hellman, university insiders couldn’t be blamed for assuming that Dynes’s power was due to the behind-the-scenes influence of his father-in-law, Warren Hellman, though the mainstream media never picked up

*In November 1999, a UCSD spokeswoman flatly denied that Dynes was on the Leap board, despite the SEC filing.*

1998. Dynes agreed to pay monthly alimony of \$6000 and turn over the couple’s house in Summit, New Jersey. She kept the 1997 Ford Explorer and a 1984 Honda Prelude; he got the 1997 Mercedes-Benz and a 1987 Mazda. It was mostly small-stakes stuff. Clearly Dynes had not become wealthy working at AT&T Bell

man, then 43, was far more than a baseball lover. She was F. Warren Hellman’s daughter, and in California’s big-time social and political circles, that was saying something.

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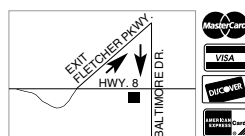
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on the connection and Dynes himself did his best to obscure it. His 1999 statement of economic interests, required under state law, contained no reference at all to Frances Hellman's holdings.

Only after a reporter complained to the UC conflict of interest office did Dynes file an amended statement in January 2000 that revealed his wife's interest in two Warren Hell-

man investment partnerships, Hellman & Friedman Management III and Locust Street Group III, L.P., each valued at more than \$100,000, plus millions more in common stocks, such as EchoStar Communications, Convergys Corporation, and Forest Laboratories.

When later asked why his initial filing had omitted Frances Hellman's assets, the chancellor of UCSD said, "I

didn't at the time know — I had just recently gotten married — and so originally it just had my own on there, and after questions it was made clear to me that I had to include my wife's, which I didn't realize." And why, once he discovered that he was required to list his wife's assets, did he delay filing the amendment? "It just took time," Dynes replied. "I asked some people to work through it all, to work out the forms, and it just took time to do that. No other reason than just bureaucracy."

Dynes had become UCSD chancellor during a time of major change in university philosophy. Cutbacks in taxpayer support and new federal laws encouraging so-called public-private partnerships between venture capitalists and faculty members had given rise to a money-

driven research culture. No longer did scientists design experiments only to test accepted theories or laws. Instead, research had to have a financial payoff.

The turning point had come in 1980 with the passage of the Bayh-Dole Act, which gave universities patent rights to inventions that their faculty members had developed using federal grants. "The university generally retains the patent to a given innovation, licenses it for a fee to one or more commercial enterprises, and industry then attempts to use the invention to develop profitable products," explains Dr. Jerome Kassirer in his book *On the Take: How Medicine's Complicity with Big Business Can Endanger Your Health*.

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product, profits that derive from licensing the patent are required by law to be shared with the inventor." Thus, adds Kassirer, professor at Tufts University medical school, adjunct professor at Yale medical school, and editor in chief for more than eight years of the *New England Journal of Medicine*, "The academic scientist, lured by the promise of royalties, became an entrepreneur,

and universities became more like big businesses than centers for learning how to cure the sick."

*Dynes said he was unaware of any other investments Moores and Hellman had made together.*

The problem gets even worse, Kassirer maintains, when corporations directly fund university research.

design of experiments. Studies show that industry preferentially supports trial designs that favor positive results." Other pitfalls of the new relationship between corporations and universities, he notes, "include withholding information to delay dissemination of an undesirable result, and keeping research results secret even beyond the time needed to file patents, presumably to protect proprietary information."

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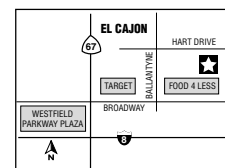


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companies can be problematic," Kassirer says. "As a condition of the contract, researchers may be forced to sign away their right to monitor and control data, to analyze the data, and even to notify institutional overseers if something goes wrong."

A complacent local press encouraged the shift at UCSD. "Some regents refer to 'the Atkinson miracle' as he and his successor, Bob Dynes, have made UCSD a revolutionary new research university studied and envied around the world," wrote *U-T* columnist Neil Morgan in December 2001. "It embodies a quiet revolution from the identity-challenged 1960s: Gushers of private-public funding as universities and industry seek to probe jointly the world's course amid chaotic change."

Smart operators swarmed onto the La Jolla campus, opening their checkbooks for enterprising faculty members who might come up with the next "killer application" — an invention that would make the professors and their investors rich.

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Two early examples of what was to come were Irwin Jacobs and Andrew Viterbi. In 1968 Jacobs, a professor of engineering at UCSD, and Viterbi, a professor of engineering at UCLA, started Linkabit, a small electronics company specializing in then-esoteric satellite communications software used by the Pentagon.

Linkabit was sold in 1980. Five years later, Jacobs and Viterbi set up a fledgling venture with several former Linkabit employees. Viterbi joined the faculty of UCSD's engineering school in 1985, the same year that the new company was born. Its name was Qualcomm.

For the next nine years, during the critical period in which the firm perfected its cell-phone patents, Viterbi remained a professor of electrical engineering and computer science at UCSD. During this

period, he filed many patent applications for the new technology used by Qualcomm.

In 1991, UCSD chancellor Richard Atkinson became a Qualcomm board member. Over the years, as

Qualcomm grew and the value of its stock soared into the stratosphere, so did Atkinson's personal fortune. By January 2000, Atkinson, still a board member, owned Qualcomm shares worth \$238 mil-

lion, based on a company filing with the federal Securities and Exchange Commission.

In late 1999, a reporter questioned whether some of the cell-phone patents owned by Qualcomm

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of 2000, allegations arose from a segment of the media regarding compliance with the University of California Patent Policy by a former professor at UCSD, Dr. Andrew J. Viterbi," said the report, authored

by Robert Shelton, the university's vice provost for research; David Miller, its associate vice chancellor; and Terence A. Feuerborn, who had recently retired as the university's officer in charge of technology

transfer. "The specific allegations involved questions regarding the ownership of a patent that was issued in 1992 listing Dr. Viterbi as a co-inventor.

"The patent in question is entitled 'System

and Method for Generating Signal Waveforms in a CDMA Cellular Telephone System.' Qualcomm, Inc. is identified as the owner. The allegations assert that Dr. Viterbi, as a faculty member at the time of

the invention, should have reported the invention to the University and that the University may have some rights to the issued patent. It was further asserted that the technology embodied in the patent contributed

significantly to the financial success of Qualcomm, and that the University should have shared in that success."

The report said that the investigation had grown to include Viterbi's daughter Audrey, a former assistant professor at UC Irvine who later went to work for her father at Qualcomm, and Jack Wolf, a UCSD engineering professor who worked as a consultant to the company.

The report detailed Andrew Viterbi's somewhat unorthodox history — first as an unpaid and later a salaried part-time professor at UCSD, at the same time a cofounder of and executive at Qualcomm, developing cell-phone patents that would make him and fellow investors, such as then-UC president Richard Atkinson, fantastically rich.

The billion-dollar question was whether the university would prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Viterbi came up with his inventions while working at UCSD. Unfortunately for state taxpayers, the investigators said they could not. Because Viterbi had failed to disclose his patents to the university as required by UC rules, it was difficult to tell for sure who owned the lucrative inventions. With UC president and Qualcomm board member Atkinson looking over the shoulders of the investigators, many UC insiders believed that the conclusion was preordained.

The investigators noted that of the ten patents Viterbi had obtained, three had been awarded between April 1992 and May 1994. "Since these patents were received while Dr. Viterbi was a faculty member, the Committee determined that the inventions involved

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should have been reported to the University to comply with the requirements of the Patent Policy and the Patent Agreement signed by Dr. Viterbi."

The panel conducted no interviews and relied on citations that Viterbi himself provided from his published work. Panel members concluded that Viterbi never spent any of his time inventing while he was on the premises at UCSD. "The generally consistent way in which Dr. Viterbi is identified with Qualcomm, and that Qualcomm is the source of support for the research, suggests that Dr. Viterbi conducted his research at Qualcomm and restricted his activities at UCSD to teaching."

As for Jack Wolf, the UCSD engineering professor who was a consultant to Qualcomm, the investigators said: "Professor Jack Wolf is named as an inventor or co-inventor on 9 patents assigned to Qualcomm that were not reported to the University. The evidence available to the Committee suggests that these patents occurred as the result of 'permissible consulting,' but the Committee recommends that Dr. Wolf's research activities be reviewed by the UCSD Office of Technology Transfer to fully determine whether or not the University has any rights to these patents."

"That has all been cleared up," said Wolf, reached at his UCSD office this week and queried about the allegations against him. "The research I do at the university has nothing to do with the patents in question." Asked whether UC had done any follow-up reports regarding the issues raised in the Viterbi document, he replied, "I am not aware of any."

Critics had long claimed that UC was

deliberately derelict when it came to enforcing its patent policies. With so much money to be made, and so little university oversight, they said, it was natural that professors would fail to remember their

disclosure obligations.

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As UCSD chancellor, Dynes vowed that his efforts to monetize university research would go even further than Atkinson's had. He

expressed his mercantile philosophy of education: "We're not just here to do what I call 'curiosity-driven' research (as much as I value curiosity and believe it is integral to the process of discovery)... Our faculty and

students produce an average of three new inventions every single day."

In October 1999, Dynes announced that research funding provided by corporations had jumped 50 percent

from the previous year, to \$116.3 million. "This was the first year UCSD ever raised more than \$100 million from private sources," he boasted in a news release. "This level of support is crucial to the university and

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At about the same time, another player arrived on the scene. In November 1998, California voters elected Gray Davis their new governor. A bland Democrat who had risen through the ranks as a staffer for Governor Jerry Brown, Davis was a prodigious fund-raiser who understood the art of the quid pro quo. Among his backers was John Jay Moores, the Texas-born-and-bred venture capitalist who owns the San Diego Padres.

In 1998, Moores contributed \$166,000 to the Davis campaign and gave the candidate free rides around the state on his private jet. The next

year Davis appointed Moores to a 12-year term on the University of California’s board of regents. A month after that, Moores gave the Davis campaign another \$100,000.

The plum job on the board of regents involved more than just prestige; Moores, who made his first fortune in software and was always on the prowl for new deals, now sat at the epicenter of California’s burgeoning high-technology boom. He would not wait long to make his move.

In July 1999, according to a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Regent Moores and Chancellor Dynes joined the board of Leap Wireless International, a company Qualcomm had spun off the previous year. Leap was supposed to promote Qualcomm’s cell-phone technology by building phone systems

in small cities around the country. University policy required Dynes to get permission from UC president Atkinson prior to joining any corporate boards, but when asked by a reporter to produce documentation of Atkinson’s consent, the university balked.

In November 1999, a UCSD spokeswoman

said, “The annual time commitment away from campus would include my attendance at four half-day board meetings as well as an occasional one-hour conference call. I will use accrued personal vacation time for all absences connected with my board membership.”

In a subsequent

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flatly denied that Dynes was on the Leap board, despite the SEC filing. Later that month, the university released a letter from Dynes to Atkinson. “I am writing to request your permission to join the Board of Directors of Leap Wireless International on December 10, 1999,” it

interview, Dynes acknowledged that a university public-relations woman had “mis-spoken” and that he had indeed been on the Leap board since July 1999. “I actually talked to the president before joining the board and asked him verbally,” he recalled. “I think [the answer] was

yes.” The November letter was necessary, he added, “because we didn’t have a paper trail of it, and there were questions that I think you asked and realized that a verbal trail — that a paper trail was better than a verbal trail. But the verbal trail was there.”

Dynes remained on the Leap Wireless board until 2004. According to his statement of economic interests, filed in March 2005, he received between \$1000 and \$10,000 in director’s fees from the company during his last year.

Dynes dismissed allegations by university critics that taking a position on the Leap board created a conflict of interest for him or detracted from his work as chancellor. “I don’t see that as a conflict. I think part of the university’s responsibility is to be of service to the community and to nourish the

economic health of the community, and part of the nourishment of the economic health of the community is to work with industry, work with schools, work with everybody. It’s part of our responsibility; it’s part of our public responsibility.”

In April 2003, Leap, loaded up with more than \$2.4 billion of debt, went bankrupt, blaming a downturn in the demand for its “Cricket” flat-rate wireless services following the burst of the dot-com bubble. Critics claimed that the company had been badly mismanaged and the board of directors was a front; a bankruptcy-court judge ruled that the company was “hopelessly insolvent.” Stockholders were wiped out. Leap emerged from bankruptcy in August 2004, but by then both Dynes and Moores were gone from the board.

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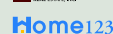
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had other ties. In September 1997, Dynes had been an outspoken backer of a new taxpayer-subsidized baseball stadium for the Padres. As a member of a task force set up by San Diego mayor Susan Golding to study the

desirability of a new venue, Dynes said, "I worry that Major League Baseball cannot be economically viable in San Diego. That's a serious problem for the community. I really don't want to see the Padres leave." He voted for a

task force resolution that concluded, "The Padres cannot generate the revenue necessary to become economically viable and remain competitive in Qualcomm Stadium."

Dynes's father-in-law, Warren Hellman,

also enjoyed a close business relationship with Moores. In October 1999, Hellman's investment firm and Moores paid an undisclosed sum to buy a small but rapidly growing South Carolina outfit called Blackbaud, Inc., which cre-

ated accounting software for nonprofit organizations. Hellman's son Marco became chairman of the board.

When asked about the Blackbaud deal in a January 2000 interview, Dynes said he'd never heard of it and was

unaware of any other investments Moores and Hellman had made together. By then, Securities and Exchange Commission records showed, the two men had jointly invested in at least one other venture, Mitchell International, a

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When it came time to pick a new university president to replace Richard Atkinson, who announced his retirement in November 2002, Moores, then chairman of the regents,

appointed himself and several board allies, including Governor Gray Davis, to the selection committee. Word circulated that the fix was in: Moores favored Hellman's son-in-law for the job; the appointment of Dynes was preordained, and no one else had a chance. Candidates began dropping out in droves.

In June 2003, after a secret vote of the regents, it was official: Dynes had been chosen to run the university. "There aren't many people in America who have done what he's done," said Moores. "He's a

remarkable combination of scientist, academic, and administrator."

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The decline of Bob Dynes has turned out to be even swifter than his rise. Less than three years since he became president of the University of California, the friendly press is suddenly a thing of the past. His troubles began with a series of articles published last November by the *San Francisco Chronicle*. They revealed that the university had quietly given high-ranking employees \$871 million in undisclosed bonuses,

administrative stipends, moving allowances, and other cash compensation, in addition to salaries and overtime.

The paper also reported that under Dynes, UC had added hundreds of high-paying administrative jobs, padding the payroll at the same time the university was boosting student fees, increasing class sizes, and freezing pay for thousands of already low-paid clerical and janitorial workers.

Since then, other exposés have rained down like hail: UC provost M.R.C. Greenwood, Dynes's number

two, quit under pressure after it came to light that the university had hired her son and a business partner. Then it was revealed that she was on a 15-month sabbatical, collecting \$302,000 annually, after which she would take a \$163,800 teaching job at UC Davis.

UC Davis vice chancellor Celeste Rose was also forced out, then given a two-year \$205,000 annual home-office job with no specific duties. She had threatened to file a race and gender suit against the university, and critics said the job was a stealth

settlement. "Two years' pay to sit home, watch TV, and do nothing," said state senator Abel Maldonado, a Dynes critic. (On February 22, Dynes admitted that the critics were right: "In my view, this was a settlement agreement that should have been approved by the regents.")

UCSD chancellor Marye Anne Fox, like Frances Dynes a Dartmouth College alumna, got \$248,000 in sabbatical pay that was actually owed her by her previous employer, North Carolina State University. In her spare time,

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On February 8 Robert Dynes was called to testify before the state senate's Education Committee. He started by saying he was sorry. "First of all, I take responsibility for the fact that the University of California has not always met its obligations to public accounta-

bility in matters of compensation and compensation disclosure. And I believe I owe you, the members of the legislature, an apology for that shortcoming."

But Dynes did not remain apologetic for long. He soon began talking about how little money University of California officials made in comparison to academic chiefs at other universities. "Total compensation, as the *Chronicle of*

*Higher Education* defines it, for university heads around the country includes amounts of \$724,000 at the University of Michigan; \$720,000 at the University of Delaware; \$693,000 for the University of Texas system; and \$625,000 at Rutgers University, to cite just a few examples of public institutions.

"As a point of comparison, the UC president's total compensation, using the *Chronicle of Higher Education* definition, is listed at \$423,000. The point here is not about me, but about the nature of the competition we face — and that competition is apparent throughout the ranks of the university.

"One might argue that we need to be competitive for the best faculty, but not necessarily the best administrators," Dynes continued. "I happen to believe that it is all one package — that the

faculty must be supported by the very best staff and administrative structure available if they are to be fully successful.

"It is perhaps true that at times we have been so committed to competitiveness and excellence that we have not been as mindful of the other responsibilities that come with being stewards of a public institution. That does not excuse anything we have done improperly, but it is an important piece of context."

The senators weren't buying it. Democrat Gloria Romero asked Dynes whether anybody had been fired as a result of the compensation mess. He mentioned former Provost M.R.C. Greenwood. "We heard what happened to her," Romero responded as the audience snickered.

Later, Republican senator Abel Maldonado pointed out that the university has long been plagued with scandals over the salaries paid its higher-ups, even before Dynes. "They're still

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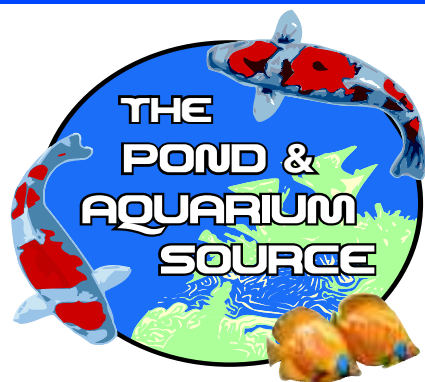
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Maldonado has proposed a bill that requires the California Postsecondary Education Commission to perform a biannual audit of executive compensation at the UC, Cal State, and community college systems.

"President Dynes said in the hearing that he would be happy to work with the commission," Maldonado said. "So, President Dynes, please come out and support my proposal."

But Dynes paid little heed to the people's representatives. He didn't have to. Politicians come and go, and their campaigns are largely dependent on contributions from rich corporate types who are some of the chief beneficiaries of university research.

At a second senate Education Committee hearing held on February 22, Senator Romero voiced her frustration. "The outrage over this has been not only the corporatization of the University of California, but its ability to get away with it. I hope that there are resignations, firings, and that people are shown the door." But the UC president said any action would have to wait, pending completion of a consultant's study he had commissioned.

When Senator Maldonado asked Dynes to grade his performance as UC president, Dynes said he'd "have to go over the report card" and then hesitated. "Incomplete," called out Jackie Speier, a Democratic member of the panel.

"I think it's a fair question to ask how you would grade yourself," Senator Romero said. "Maybe you'll come back

to us with that at some point...but an incomplete at the end of the day doesn't pass." The committee adjourned after agreeing it would meet again in May to hear further testimony.

As the compensa-

tion issue continued to gather headlines throughout the month of February, regent chairman Gerry Parsky, a wealthy Republican financier from Rancho Santa Fe, stepped forward to offer a face-sav-

ing way out.

It wasn't exactly tough love that Parsky had in mind for his fellow San Diegan. He asserted that Dynes was overworked and needed the help of a "chief operating officer" to run the

day-to-day operations of the university. "Let's leave open the possibility that someone could be in charge of administrative matters and not necessarily require the president's approval on all things," said Parsky. That

way, Dynes said, he would be free to work on what he called his "vision" for the university. "Somebody," said Dynes, "has to be making decisions about the policies." ■

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# Night



This patch of earth, longitude 117 degrees west,

latitude 33 degrees 2 minutes north, passes away from the sun. The sun's light, leaning in from the west, reaches us through denser and denser layers of atmosphere, which block all but the reds and oranges of its spectrum. Fifteen to 20 minutes after the sun sets, from areas of the city with an unobstructed view of the eastern horizon, an arc of purple haze can be seen to the east: the earth's shadow. The moon is revealed. The bright star in the western sky this time of year is Regulus. To the southeast is Antares. The Summer Triangle is overhead.

The animal kingdom awakens at the cocktail hour, emerges into the dusk. Raccoons, striped skunks, and possums, forced into urban areas by development in North and East Counties, then trapped here in canyons isolated by construction, move up from the brush and venture into streets and yards. They encounter death by automobile tire or battle domestic cats turned out for the night. Crows and gray foxes hunt small gray mice, cotton-tailed rabbits, squirrels. Meadow voles — brown-and-white spotted creatures resembling large hamsters — emerge from the tun-

nels they've burrowed beneath the lawns of Golden Triangle industrial parks, also searching for food.

Electricity consumption drops between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. as computers, lights, air-conditioning units are turned off, office buildings deserted. At SDG&E's control center, resource schedulers and power-supply coordinators monitor the energy load flow, make adjustments to the output of "base load units" and turn off "cycling units." The constant buying and selling of energy (from as far away as Canada, Texas) slacks off. Soon after, there is a minor spike in con-

sumption — on one recent day, consumption rose from 1940 megawatts at 7 p.m. to 2091 megawatts at 8:30 p.m. — as workers settle in at home and begin using electric appliances, turn on televisions, cook meals. By 9 p.m., consumption begins again to drop and continues to fall steadily until it reaches a "valley" between 3 and 4 a.m. By 5 a.m., people have begun to wake up, make toast, turn on radios, percolate coffee, shave; usage climbs steadily until its daily peak around 2 p.m.

After dark, the valleys, mesas, mountains, and desert cool. The air above them cools, and the ocean winds, no longer sucked in by the hot air rising over land, blow inland and die. Land and ocean temperatures roughly equalize.

A skeleton of freeways binds the city with rushing white and red pinpoints. The steady sigh-and-ebb of cars on the interstates and highways dwindles. Around 11 p.m., the last train from Los Angeles slides down the city's profile. The last jets, except the 2 a.m. Federal Express flight, shock into their landings at Lindbergh Field.

The roofs of houses and apartment buildings shift downward as their surfaces cool, no longer heated by light protons from the sun. Radon gas wafts from paintwork, floorboards, and ceilings. Evening baths, showers, tooth-brushings, defecations, dishwasher cycles, lawn-waterings taper off after 9 p.m., causing the sewage rushing through pipes beneath the ground to slow to a gentle, bedtime pace. Nearly all 190,000,000 gallons of sewage that glide efficiently out to the Point Loma sewage treatment facility each day have already passed through the system.

People sleep. Stale arguments are left hanging over marriage beds. The innocent drift off to unconsciousness, hands between legs. Hidden and resting in warm, tight wall spaces and meter boxes and drains, cockroaches register the quiet dark and begin to move out, antennae waving. Fast-mov-



ing German roaches head up the walls. The larger, shiny, black Oriental roaches climb from drains. They look for decaying vegetable matter, for water, for others of their kind with which to breed — 20 young per female per month.

Plants breathe on in the dark. Photosynthesis suspended until dawn, the plants use oxygen to burn food, give off carbon dioxide. A hidden, microscopic war continues in lawns and gardens. Female moths loose potent scents detectable by the males of their kind. Camped in narrow ornamental planters outside office buildings and apartment complexes, male crickets vibrate transparent wings — stridulate their shrill note — attracting females with an odor emanating from a gland exposed when the wings are elevated for song. The females chew on the gland. Hunting cats and skunks snap up

the crickets.

In isolated boxes of light around the dark city, workers on graveyard shifts drill holes in circuit boards, mop floors, colorize movies, x-ray broken bones, and cut away mangled tissue from gunshot wounds; sell beer, milk, and cat food to nighthawks. Night workers become subject to psychosomatic occupational disorders of various neuroses, digestive ulcers. Their bio-



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Insomniacs, criminals,

and drunks walk the streets. Between 9 p.m. and 2 a.m. Priority One calls — those relating to life-threatening situations or crimes in progress — decline from an early-evening high. Reports of alcohol-related traffic accidents rise, car thefts drop slightly, burglaries taper off.

After 2 a.m., the number of rapes reported increases. Priority One calls reach their lowest point. Off-work domestics and restaurant workers sit hugging their shopping bags to their breasts at bus stops, waiting for the last bus of the night. Transients roll up in their blan-

kets in the urine-reeking shelters of downtown storefronts.

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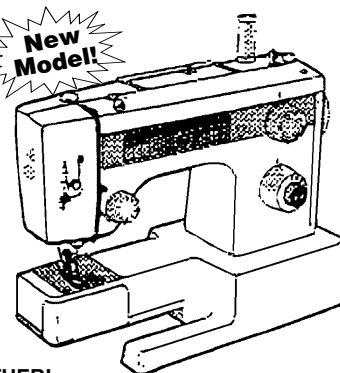
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The air smells of wet earth and grass. Jasmine bushes release their scent, and the white flowers of

other night-blooming plants open, waiting to be pollinated by the moths that fly at night and mistake them for the females of their species. Transvestite prostitutes amble slack-legged along El Cajon Boulevard, waiting to be gathered into cars whose occupants willingly mistake them for the females of their species.

The swells and waves of the ocean continue to roll in, calm and relentless. Bio-

luminescent organisms spark in the breakers. Plankton rise through the water to feed. Lobsters crawl out from the crevices of rocks to feed. Grunion move in to lay eggs and fertilize them. In the rocks along Mission Bay and the harbor, rats sinuate their way toward discarded food wrappers and restaurant kitchens.

Cloud masses form, the marine layer builds up, and what used to be known as

*el velo de la luz* (the veil of light) moves inland, shrouds the sky. It's a box lid that shuts us in or a blanket that protects us from the limitless darkness.

Sleeping humans and some birds and reptiles enter REM sleep, D-sleep. In the area of the humans' brain stems called the raphé system, large neurons reduce their activity. Pulse rates, respiratory rates, blood pressures rise and fall, muscle

tone lowers. Cerebral cortexes are activated, sensory images flood the sleeping mind. Neurons in the brain stem release norepinephrine, serotonin, acetylcholine into the forebrain. It is speculated that changes in the proportion of these chemicals, along with certain activity in the forebrain, produce nightmares. In former times these were attributed to intercourse with incubi.

The wakeful ear is pricked by snapping twigs, by the scrabbings of roof rats leaving attics and palm trees to sniff out snails, fruit

rinds, rotting meat. Cars peel out angrily from alleys. Backfires or gunshots? Dark reddish-brown American cockroaches fly out from palm trees and sewer drains to crawl on the sidewalks downtown. Garbage-pickers discreetly heave squeaking dumpster lids up, foraging for breakfast, income, and outerwear. Refrigerators click on and hum. Creaks and yowls from neighbors' bedrooms reach guilty ears, muffled and enticing: people beg to be taken, call for God. ■

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# TOP OF THE WORLD

**T**hose who know me often refer to me as a hippie. My liberal political perspective and deep attachment to the environment seem to be less common among people nowadays. Therefore, if I were to have another life, I believe that it would be in the '60s, age of the hippies.

I have wondered many times what it would be like to stand in a crowd of thousands at one of the most famous music festivals of all time, Woodstock. I prefer the rock 'n' roll of the past to the angry, screaming kids who comprise the majority of the modern music scene. I can picture myself storming up the streets of San Francisco with other like-minded individuals, demanding respect and freedom from the government. I would make my living through journalism, reporting on political and worldly issues.

More and more, I feel as though I was born in the wrong generation.

I feel out of place in a time where it is "unpatriotic" to speak out against the government, where people hide themselves behind their money and lives to avoid facing the grimmer aspects of reality. I long for a life where peace is not an impossible ideal, where people — despite gender, religion, or race — can come together and take a stand.

As for reincarnation, I have no particular religion that I adhere to, but I feel the belief in reincarnation is a valid one. Reincarnation would explain some of the eerie phenomena that I, as well as many others, have witnessed in life. For instance, déjà vu; I often have conversations or interactions that I remember from the past even though I've just met the people I am talking to. The only belief that justifies these feelings is reincarnation. Plus, what about those people that you feel like you have known your whole life, when in reality you just met them or passed them by in the street? I believe that these people could be the new embodiment of a person that you knew at a different time.

— Marion Finocchiaro,  
Grossmont Middle  
College H.S.

**W**hen asked the question, "Who or what would I like to be in another lifetime?" I had to think for a couple days. I wouldn't trade the life I have now, but the time period that most appeals to me is the 1950s, when Marilyn Monroe was on top of the world. I would want to experience walking to the corner store, living in a vine-covered house on an acre of land, and all the other simplicities of life in the 1950s.

I'd want to be independently wealthy and own a nightclub or two. I would want to be rich so I could experience how the other half lives, and I would want to be a detective because I would want to solve the mystery of Marilyn Monroe's death. In the '50s, I'd be able to go to the grand opening of Disneyland (my favorite place in the world) and meet Mr. Disney. Albert Einstein, though close to the end of his life in the '50s, would be another person I would love to meet.

With this topic comes the matter of reincarnation and whether or not I believe in it. I do. I have no idea how it happens or who makes it happen, but I do believe it is a part of life...or, more importantly, death. I believe in a higher being that controls life and everything living in it. I am not highly religious or an atheist; I am somewhere in between. But, as far as I know, I have one life, so I am trying my best to do everything I can.

— John Twilla,  
Hilltop H.S.

**I**f I had a chance to lead a second life, I would be a river guide in Costa Rica. I would live in the current time period and have no obligations other than to enjoy

the scenery and take part in activities along the river.

Last summer, I had the opportunity to travel to Costa Rica for a month, several days of which involved a rafting trip down the Rio Pacuare. Not only was it the most beautiful place that I could possibly imagine, but it carried me into a lifestyle that could not be more different than the one I lead here in San Diego.

A typical day in my life reminds me that there are not enough hours in the day. I am lucky if I have more than five minutes to eat dinner and get to sleep at a reasonable hour. Rivers, on the other hand, besides day and night, seem timeless; there is plenty of time to take a hike or to lie in a hammock and read.


Really, there is little stopping me from becoming a river guide in this life, but it seems like too drastic of a change. It seems like a role that would be better for someone to be born into so they can grow up learning the routines, getting accustomed to the physical labor involved, and learning to live in seclusion.

Reincarnation is a topic that I find fas-



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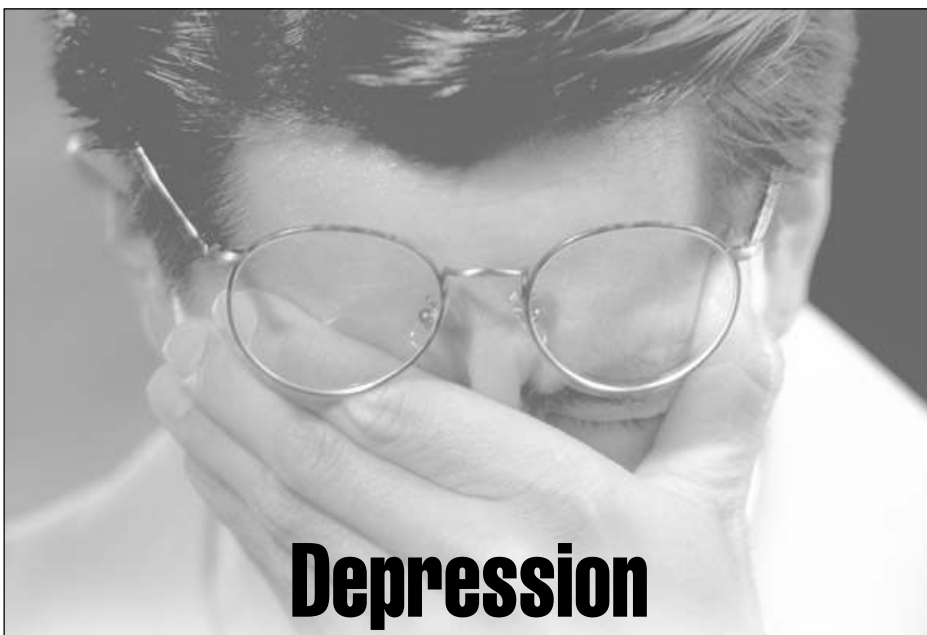


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cinating but not one that I truly believe in. I am not sure of what I believe occurs after death, though I do not believe in heaven or hell. I value the importance of the life that we are in and look up to people who have fun and try to make the world a better place for others.

— *Naomi Serling-Boyd, Mt. Carmel H.S.*

**I**t is amazing where your imagination will take you once thoughts of a possible afterlife arise. Some people may toy with the idea of becoming the next president of the United States or an American Idol, but I do not need political power or fame and riches.

I want to be Pope John Paul II in the late 20th Century. He will go down in history as one of the most inspirational and successful popes because of his fervent enthusiasm for the Church and adhesion to morals. The pope was a leader, teacher, and role model who demonstrated the value of making your actions consistent with your beliefs; he set an example for Catholic and non-Catholic individuals.

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passion and an ambition to improve this world. For instance, the pope campaigned for human rights, expressing his criticism of dictators and encouraging opposition movements to debauched governments.

Being the pope would allow me to fulfill my dream of permanently changing the world into a superior place...or, at least, allow me to begin that change.

The concept of reincarnation conflicts with my beliefs. I agree with the idea that life exists after death, but in the heavens rather than here on earth. I believe that you have one life.

— *Vivian Pham, Mt. Carmel H.S.* ■

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# Sublime

A cockroach looking down toward the empty end of a cereal box — that's my sense of the bare stage of the San Diego Civic Theatre viewed from the first row. No trace is left of its last production, a performance of Giuseppe Verdi's 1859 opera *A Masked Ball*, directed by the famous Italian conductor Edoardo Müller.

It's a great barnlike space, gray floor, bare walls, while high above are dozens of pipes extending from one side of the stage to the other, which support a system of pulleys and about 30 bags of sand to raise and lower the scenery and position the lights, to create the vast illusion of other worlds, to make the magic. No phantom could hide himself in this airplane hangar, this mammoth and empty cereal box, unless he were invisible or very small. Behind me in the theater are 2992 red plush seats, though for the opera they take away the first row of 90 to make room for the orchestra. Above the stage is a screen that gives the supertitles (as opposed to subtitles) of the opera in English.

"Io moro!...miei figli," sings Gustavo III, King of Sweden, at the end of *A Masked Ball* as he staggers forward, stabbed by an assassin.

"I am dying, my children" flashes across the screen.

Moments later the curtain descends to wild applause. The audience exits the theater, some suffering from a mild case of whiplash caused by several hours of rapidly raising and lowering their heads from the supertitles above to the stage below — one more version of suffering for the art one loves.

The performances begin with a piano dress rehearsal on a Monday, followed by an orchestra dress rehearsal with the singers on the stage on Tuesday, a full orchestra dress rehearsal on Wednesday, and dress rehearsals for students on Thursday, which include tours and talks about the opera. Between 1500 and 2000 students from area schools attend the dress rehearsals and about 10,000 attend each season. This is one of the San Diego Opera's cleverest programs because it creates future opera fans. During ten days of talking to men and

women who were passionate about opera, I spoke with several young people who were first introduced to opera in this program and had become major enthusiasts.

*A Masked Ball* or *Un ballo in maschera* or *Ballo*, as it was called by all I talked to, had five performances and was the last of five operas performed in 1999. Sixty thousand tickets were sold during the season. *Ballo* closed on Wednesday, May 12. The sets included a gallows scene with the gallows in the foreground and a rocky cliff, a warehouse by a harbor where a witch told the future in a great crystal ball on a raised platform with a ghostly ship in the background, and, most sumptuous of all, the king's palace with great columns and a classical motif — an exact replica of the original Gustavo III's palace in Sweden. And of course there were the costumes and properties (swords, goblets, candelabras) — all of which added up to a fair amount of baggage. The morning after the closing two semi-trucks backed up to the rear of the theater. At 8:30 a.m. the dismantling began and by 6:00 p.m. it was finished. The trucks were locked up, the drivers started the motors, and the trucks hit the road to Dallas. The sets, costumes, and properties of *Ballo* are owned by the Dallas Opera, which bought them from the Cologne Opera in Germany and then modified them to fit its own stage and needs, after which Dallas recouped its expense by renting them out. It is too expensive for most opera companies to build all of their own sets, so there is a certain amount of wheeling and dealing among the American and European companies. The San Diego Opera's production of *Aida* was rented for \$50,000. The 1999 season production of Mozart's *Così fan tutte* was built quite inexpensively by the San Diego Opera Scenic Studio, an arm of



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Jennifer Wright

just the music but the whole mix of which costumes, sets, and properties are a part, along with the drama, acting, singing, performers, lighting, even the makeup, even the audience. And those who are passionate have stories going back to the first opera for which music exists, Jacopo Peri's *Euridice*, produced in Florence on October 6, 1600, for the wedding festivities of Henri IV of France and Maria de' Medici. Competing with the stories of the operas are those about the singers — first the castrati, those male sopranos who began singing in opera and for the church in 1600 as well. Think of all those lopped-off testicles. Although castration was illegal in Italy, when the castrati were most popular in the 18th Cen-

death. Between those dates he made more than 250 others for which he earned \$2.5 million. What's that worth these days? Listening to him on a digitally remastered CD with all the crinkling paper noises removed, you can hear what all the fuss was about. He sang the way Babe Ruth played ball, maybe better.

One afternoon in June I talk to John David Peters, head production carpenter of the San Diego Opera Scenic Studio. "We'd never be able to do opera on the scale that we do it in San Diego if we had to build all our own shows. Something would have to give. Scenery budgets alone are between \$150,000 and \$250,000. Sometimes we rent because a visiting director wants a pro-



# When Peters joined the Scenic Studio as a shop carpenter in 1969, he didn't like opera. He only liked rock and roll.

duction he's used to. Or sometimes we're a coproducer with several other companies. Or there might be five or six sets of a particular opera available and we look at the pictures. Or there are aesthetic and practical concerns to consider like the size of the stage, but it's not uncommon to have a set and director that have never seen each other, because they start planning years in advance. Right now they're budgeting the years 2005 to 2006."

Although a set may be built or coproduced or modified in San Diego, the designer might come from anywhere. The designer for



Gerri Benedikt, Bob Salmon

*Falstaff* came from Germany. Peters met him once in Chicago and once the designer came out to San Diego.

"Sometimes you never see the designer at all. You get the plans and models and have detailed conversations with the technical staff. I'll study up on the opera in order to know what I'm dealing with — how wide a stage I need, the size of the chorus, even if there are going to be elephants. If you didn't know about the swan in *Lohengrin*, that could be an issue, or that the stage is going to be in flames in *Götterdämmerung* — you've got to know that beforehand. But you have the designer and the technical staff and they say here's a pack of drawings and here's the model and we'll see you in eight weeks and you slowly see it come together until it's all one piece and the curtains open and it makes an impact."

When Peters joined the Scenic Studio as a shop carpenter in 1969, he didn't like opera. He only liked rock and roll.

"I had almost no understanding of opera when I started," he tells me. "No one

in my family listened to opera or went to the opera, so I had no experience with it. But I became involved in it in that it used scenery and I loved making the scenery and I loved the effect of the scenery. But it took five to ten years to appreciate the total effect of the opera as music. I'm not sure there was one opera that took my attention but a gradual sense that the whole thing was pretty neat. But maybe it was hearing Puccini's *La Bohème* again and again, because *La Bohème* is still my favorite opera."

Talking to men and women about opera, I'm struck by how many point to Giacomo Puccini's *La Bohème* as the first opera they grew to love. And, too, they speak about that sudden realization of the total effect — that *La Bohème* is more than its music, which was composed in the 1890s. It is more than its story about four bohemian artists in Paris in love with Mimì dying of consumption in the next garret. It is more than the singers, acting, sets, production, theater, audience, even the cabs waiting outside the door. It's the whole kit and caboodle.

Enrico Caruso was a great practical joker, especially when singing the poet Rodolfo in *La Bohème* and especially when Mimì was being sung by Dame Nellie Melba, the autocratic, no-nonsense soprano whose enduring fame is the result of having a dessert named in her honor, as well as a type of toast. One night as Caruso/Rodolfo began to sing Melba/Mimì a sweet love song, he pressed into her hand a sausage that he had had a cohort heat up on a spirit lamp offstage. Melba gave a shout and flung the sausage into the air, while making unprintable sounds. Without missing a beat, Caruso continued to sing, only adding the words, "English lady, you like sausage?" They had fun in those days.

In 1977 John David Peters took his present position as head production carpenter, and as his set-building skills increased, so did his knowledge and love of opera. For 30 years he has been building the sets of other designers. Now for the first time Peters has designed and built his own — the set for Giuseppe Verdi's 1853 opera *Il trovatore* or *The Troubadour*, which opens the San Diego Opera's 2000 season on January 22. The action takes place during a civil war in 15th-century Spain and concerns brothers separated as children who, unaware of their relationship, love the same woman yet are at war with one another. Also featured are Gypsies, battles, convents, poisoned rings, the tales of a baby thrown into a fire and a witch burned at the stake.

"It was decided for me to do the set for *Il trovatore* about a year and a half ago," says Peters. "We started building it at the begin-



Stanley Walens

ning of September and finished in November. The actual work time would usually take six to eight weeks, but we also had other work to do."

Besides doing sets for operas, the Scenic Studio does sets for ballets, movies, plays, outdoor concerts, even trade shows. The money from this is channeled back into the opera's operating expenses.

"The sets for *Il trovatore* were relatively inexpensive as these things go," says Peters, "because we were able to reutilize a lot of our own resources. It was budgeted for \$90,000, then we used about \$60,000 of our existing stock. If we get inquiries about it, then we'll be glad to rent it out. But it may go into one of those gray areas where we just wait and see. There are a number of productions that we're prepared not to rent because we have limited storage space. If

we don't rent it, we'll break it down."

Opera, like extra-sharp cheese, modern poetry, and skydiving, offers pleasures that at first may not be readily apparent and may take some determination to appreciate. The British poet W.H. Auden wrote, "No opera plot can be sensible, for in sensible situations people do not sing.... In a spoken play, for example, I think we should laugh if we were told that a woman had been careless enough to throw her own baby into the fire instead of the child of her enemy, but when this happens in *Il trovatore* we have little trouble in swallowing it. The emotional persuasiveness of music is so much greater than that of words, that a character can switch from one state of feeling to another with an abruptness which in a spoken drama would be incredible."

I like to think of Peters driving up to



John David Peters

the Opera Scenic Studio in 1969 to answer a help-wanted ad with the Rolling Stones blaring on the tape player. Now he drives home listening to *La Bohème*. But that's too tidy. The tapes scattered around my car include Verdi, Pearl Jam, Thelonius Monk, and the Buena Vista Social Club.

The effect of the opera on John David Peters is from behind the curtain. He attends to the building of the sets. And his wife Mary, a former soprano, is employed as stage manager, so even at home there is an interweaving of opera as business and pleasure.

But I also want to know what it is like to sing in an opera, the very passion of singing, so I talk to James Scott Sikon, a 35-year-old bass-baritone, who played the role of Christiano, a sailor, in *Ballo*, and whose 11th and 12th appearances with the opera will be in this season in *A Streetcar Named Desire* in April and *La Bohème* in May. He has also appeared with dozens of other opera companies in the United

States, Europe, and Canada. He debuted with the San Diego Opera in 1990 and moved here in 1996.

Sikon was brought up in Carbondale, Illinois, home of Southern Illinois University. Although no one in his family was interested in opera, he did some singing in high school.

"Some people from the college music department saw me sing and invited me to concurrently enroll at the university when I was a senior in high school, which I did. Really, at that time I had no plans of being an opera singer, I just knew that I liked singing, and the people at the university told me that was what I should do, that it was what my voice was appropriate for. So I started thinking about it seriously, and when I was 19, just for experience purposes, I auditioned for the Opera Theater of St. Louis."

Sikon got the job in St. Louis and after three years was being given principal roles.

"The first opera that really made me decide that

this was what I wanted to do was Offenbach's *Tales of Hoffmann* when they did it in St. Louis. I had a small role and sang in the chorus. I loved the production and got more excited about the art form at that point. To me, it was a bit boring at first because unfortunately at that time people weren't much concerned with the dramatic aspect of opera, and from my personal standpoint that's very, very important. Even today when I go to an opera and I see someone just standing and singing, I couldn't be less interested. But when I realized that the entire art form was an accumulative thing between dramatic and singing and everything, that's when I became really interested and where I found my forte, because I think I'm hired more often than not for my acting abilities, and sometimes reviewers will say that my acting overshadows my singing ability, which is nice to hear because not that many singers can act well."

Sikon gives a laugh that combines modesty and irony, then he grows serious again.

"But it's the overall total performance package you have from someone that makes an impression, the total experience of the dramatic and the excitement. I mean, there's beautiful, great voices that you can hear, but you can do it a lot cheaper staying home and listening to CDs."

He goes on to stress the importance of the acting also as a tool to help the audience suspend disbelief. After all, these people are up there on the stage and they're singing, but that singing is really meant to be talking.

"As a singer, that is one of the most difficult things. It tends to make the difference between a singer and an artist. I mean, is a person able to communicate by singing? A lot of people may be confused and think that's the same thing, but it's not. Somebody may be up there singing and not communicating. Just because you're making noise doesn't mean you're communicating or putting across a message or moving people."

I ask why this is important. To emphasize com-

munication, he tells me, is a way of including more members of the audience, of making opera more accessible. And acting, too, is a form of communication.

"Anything we can do to include more people is only beneficial to us, obviously, because it's going to perpetuate the art form. That's our future audience and those are our future singers. Companies are continually looking for ways to draw in a bigger audience and make opera more accessible to people who haven't had much experience with opera, rather than catering to just your elitist type of mentality. Therefore, opera companies now try to bring production values to the level where people can relate, people can believe. That's one of the problems that a lot of people have with opera, you have to suspend that disbelief before you can actually enjoy and understand the production. San Diego in my opinion is really very well run in the sense that among other things they balance the total package as far as

can this person sing and can this person act. They really want to build an audience."

I ask Sikon about his role of Christiano, the sailor, in *A Masked Ball*.

"Christiano was one of the smallest roles I've done, actually. You have to know your place as a comprimario singer; that is, a singer of secondary roles. You have to understand where you fit in. I've been lucky enough to sing leading roles with some companies and I've sung comprimarios. Sometimes it's harder to do the comprimarios because you don't have nearly as much time to make an impression. You have to come out and nail it. You have to deliver immediately. In *Ballo*, it's funny, because it was such a small role, but when Christiano sings you know he's singing—it's very nice, very exposed singing. But it can be nerve-racking because you don't have a second chance; everything has to be right. In this business you have to struggle with ego, you have to put it in its proper place. It's important because

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- Compensation for your time and travel

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# ADHD Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

## Does Your Child Have Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder?

If so, you may be interested in learning about a clinical research study.

Pacific Sleep Medicine is evaluating an investigational medication in the treatment of Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

To be eligible, the participant must:

- Be 6 through 17 years of age (inclusive)
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For more information, please call Gabriela at UCSD Division of Dermatology:  
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Participation in this clinical research study includes at least nine visits to a local study physician's office over a period of fourteen to nineteen weeks.

**Participants will receive study-related medical care, including:**

- Study-related health exams
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- Study medication

For more information on the PBS/IC research study visit ClinicalTrials.com/PainfulBladder or contact the local participating physician at:

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**BIPOLAR DISORDER and ALCOHOLISM STUDY**



**Signs and Symptoms:**

- Do you have mood swings or difficulty concentrating?
- Feeling trapped in either a manic "up" episode or a depressive "down" episode?
- Do you find yourself drinking to cope with your mood swings?

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Affiliated Research Institute is conducting a research study for people with Bipolar Disorder and Alcoholism. If you qualify, you may be eligible to participate in a study testing the effectiveness of an experimental medication for the treatment of Alcoholism at no cost to you.

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**Are you sad due to Bipolar Disorder?**

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To qualify, you must:

- be at least 18 years old
- have been diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder
- be experiencing symptoms of depression

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If even happy things leave you blue,  
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Have you or someone you care about been experiencing some or all of the following symptoms for at least a few months?

- Hopelessness
- Sadness
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- Difficulty concentrating

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# Memory Loss?



**If you or someone you know is experiencing memory problems, or has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, they may be eligible to participate in a clinical research trial of an approved medication for the treatment of Alzheimer's.**

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- Be Hispanic
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- Have a reliable caregiver (at least 3 days per week)

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who are so racked by nerves that they're barely able to get onstage. So if you don't have an ego and don't believe in yourself, when you find yourself in a problem like that, you're not going to be able to deliver."

So what's it like, I ask, what's it feel like — the actual experience of being onstage and having the opera taking place around you — the singing, the acting, the drama, of being half blinded by the lights, feeling the hush of the audience. Sikon starts a little slowly, somewhat skeptical of my question.

"I personally don't believe you can ever really lose yourself within the production, you have to con-

stantly be aware of everything around you because there are so many things that go into pulling it off. But sometimes you have a sense onstage of all the different parts coming together. If you're lucky enough to be in that situation — of course, it doesn't happen all the time, and in some productions and with some companies it never happens — but if you're really lucky and if you find you're in a great production with great singers and everybody is healthy and at the top of their game, then it can be magical, it really can. Because regardless of how many times you've heard an opera or seen an opera, when you're seeing a live

production you're seeing something being created in front of you, and when everybody is at the top of their game and healthy and excited and there's an excitement from the company itself, then you can do great things and it's wonderful to see because that's when people start to relax and grow within the role and you can actually see somebody making an effort and really working to develop the character. The total package, of seeing everything that it takes to present the finished product — you are all aware of that once you get to that point. You'd think people would get a bit more jaded, and I assume some people do, but for me when

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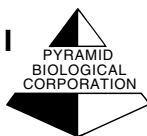
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# Carpal Tunnel Syndrome Pain?



If you have Carpal Tunnel Syndrome (CTS), you know that the pain can be frustrating—it can affect your ability to work and your quality of sleep.

Now, local doctors are conducting a medical research study to evaluate the pain-relieving capabilities of an investigational patch that's placed directly on the wrists of CTS patients.

To pre-qualify for this study, you must:

- Be 18 years of age or older
- Have been diagnosed with Carpal Tunnel Syndrome in one or both wrists
- Have daily moderate to severe pain resulting from CTS.

Qualified study participants will receive a study-related medical evaluation and investigational study patch at no cost. Financial compensation for time and travel may be provided.

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I see somebody at the top of their form and believing in what they're doing — it's incredibly exciting."

I am talking to Sikon on the phone, and his enthusiasm is obvious. When I hang up, I think of the first opera that caught my attention — Offenbach's *Tales of Hoffmann*, which a teacher during my freshman year in college had played for me, the sorry tale of a poet who has four loves and loses them all, only to have his muse come to him while he is in a drunken stupor and tell him that she will never leave him. I liked that. As an aspiring poet, I liked her devo-

tion. Looking back, I realize that Hoffmann was a pretty serious drunk. How else could you fall in love with a mechanical doll? But I was also moved by Offenbach himself, who had spent his life writing comic frippery, and right at the end he had put all his talent into writing something more substantial — *Tales of Hoffmann* — then he had died before he could finish it, before he ever knew of its great success. The summer after my freshman year I saw the 1950s English movie of the opera — a hugely romantic movie in which each scene looks like a painting. I sat

through it three times and came back the next night. After that I was hooked. Even now if a theme from *Hoffmann* catches me unawares I'll be nearly undone. But the passions one has at 18 have to put up with a lot of competition, and for years my interest in opera played second fiddle to an interest in jazz and rock and roll. Still, I already have my tickets for *Hoffmann* at the Metropolitan Opera in New York in February.

Now, from Sikon, I have a small sense of the excitement of being behind the scenes. Next I want to talk to a member of the opera's orchestra.

There are about 40 members in the opera's full orchestra, and I speak with Joni Hill, a 44-year-old violist, who has played with the orchestra for 16 seasons. She also played with the San Diego Symphony for ten years and plays with the San Diego Chamber Orchestra. She teaches for the Sweetwater Union High School District.

Raised in East Texas, trained in music at Southern Methodist University in

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- Have had trouble falling and staying asleep for more than 3 months

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- Hearing voices or sounds that aren't real

Qualified participants will receive all study-related psychiatric evaluations, physical exams, lab work, and clinic visits at no cost. In addition, participants may receive compensation for time and travel expenses.

For more information, please call:  
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Dallas, and principal violinist with the Dallas symphony, Joni Hill came to San Diego 21 years ago. Her original passion was for chamber music, but increasingly opera has moved to the center of her life, especially the operas of Puccini and Mozart.

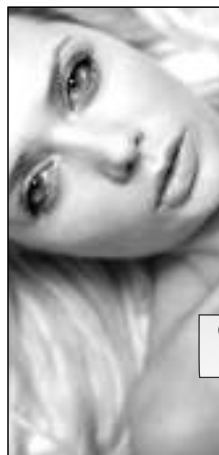
"The San Diego Opera in particular has been my inspiration," she tells me. "It's what really makes me feel like a whole person."

Hill praises many conductors at the opera, especially its resident conductor Karen Keltner, but her warmest praise went for Edoardo Müller, who conducted *Ballo* and will conduct *Il trovatore*. Müller first appeared with the San Diego Opera in 1997 conducting

Puccini's *Turandot*, but his closest association is with the Teatro alla Scala in Milan, Italy. Müller is an extremely popular conductor, and it seems that wherever there is an opera house he has been there with his baton.

"He's a joy to work with," says Hill. "He tries to evoke responsibility from the players and performers, meaning that along with his guidance and direction, he still needs our ideas. He once told me a story about a famous conductor of one of the major opera orchestras. Evidently during a performance, the singer and the orchestra were off by about one-quarter-note value and it was a sort of panic situation. The conductor simply

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stopped conducting and within a split second the orchestra and the singer were on track together. When I asked Müller how he was able to get us to listen so well, this was the story he told me, by which he meant that sometimes if the conductor almost gets out of the way of the musicians and allows them some sense of musical and artistic responsibility, then the production will achieve a different standard.”

Hill goes on to speak of Müller's seriousness and humor and respect for the singers and musicians — those qualities necessary in any teacher or administrator. And she describes other conductors who are insulting to the singers and members of the orchestra, who are ironic, sarcastic, or short-tempered. Then the singers and players do what they are told, but no more — that is, they don't grow within the role. They only do their jobs.

“But Müller tries to honor what the singers want to do. And he strives to have us complement what they're doing. Of course, there have

been a few occasions when he's thought the music may suffer if a particular singer takes too many liberties or whatever. Then he invites the singers to consider doing their timing or phrasing in other ways.”

And so the singers and orchestra end up working with him, instead of simply doing what he says with a sort of silent resentment.

But again I want to know what it feels like when the opera is going on around you — the orchestra is playing, everybody is singing, people are on the edge of their seats.

“Sublime is the word I feel.... I don't want to get myself into trouble. It's interesting how... I'm almost afraid to say this, so I have to trust your discretion, but one of the most... again you asked how I feel.”

Her embarrassment is almost palpable. For any artist, their medium — whether it be painting or poetry or playing the tuba — tends to become the vehicle for their feelings, whereas the spoken word feels

clumsy — oversized boots in place of a dancer's slippers.

That's right, I tell her, how you feel.

“Okay, so what happened on this one occasion when I was performing in an opera, I don't remember which, but during this performance all of a sudden I had this flashback of remembering, well, of being in East Texas where I was brought up. It didn't snow that often but it snowed now and then, and I remembered this time when I was out running around in the snow when I must have been six or seven, and I remember how I felt in the snow and I was so happy in this beautiful blanket of snow, and it was just one of the most glorious, cheerful feelings I've had, and while I was playing the opera I had this flashback to that and it just made me so incredibly happy. These flashbacks I must admit have occurred on other occasions, and in one regard I hesitate to mention it to you because it almost sounds, you know, is this woman really paying attention to what she's doing? But I think that actually is what brought on the flashback, because I was so focused and so incredibly into what I was doing that this wonderful feeling occurred and this flashback happened and it's usually only when I'm playing opera in this type of situation under a great conductor that it happens. I hope that's not too corny for you, but it's true.”

Well, that's what I was looking for: a description of a transcendent moment, the ability of art to lift one out of oneself, briefly make one forget oneself. But Hill goes a little further. I had told her that I was a writer and she includes this in her

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and it's almost like time's standing still and you just have this treasure of sound and human impulse. For me, it's not just the music, it's the collective effort of the participants that just really makes life so fabulous as a musician."

One can compare the transcendent moment and distraction — both make one forget the self. But in the first there is the sense of vital change and that one returns to oneself somewhat changed even if the change is no more than passionate memory, although there can also be the awareness of having experienced something vastly larger than the self, whereas with distraction one

remains unchanged. Of course, these moments don't happen all the time. Perhaps that is fortunate. It helps us value them. If the rose didn't die, would we find it as beautiful? If we lived a thousand years, would the world around us still taste as sweet? Those unpleasant squawks that my parents called opera, which came from the record player, it took years before I could tolerate them. Then it took years before I could like them. And how ephemeral is that single transcendent experience — a few hours and it is gone, just a memory. The performance that led Joni Hill to the flashback of the snowstorm in East Texas during her child-

hood — she can't even remember what it was.

Having looked at a passion for opera from the production side, I wanted to look at it from the audience or consumer side. After a certain amount of head scratching I wind up at one of the greatest resources for opera in San Diego, but a place where people rarely go and in a neighborhood that over the years has grown increasingly seedy: Benedikt & Salmon Record Rarities, a one-story yellowish building in the 3000 block of Meade Avenue.

"You know, we're the best-known secret in San Diego," Bob Salmon tells me. "Like, Ian could avail him-

self of our things, our expertise and our fantastic collection of historical things, but he just doesn't. He's not interested."

The Ian he refers to is Ian Campbell, general director of the San Diego Opera since 1983. We're sitting in the small front room of the store, if such a huge enterprise can be called a store. Everywhere are shelves of records and books, with corridors of shelving disappearing into a rabbit warren of other rooms and buildings. Two walls are covered with signed photographs of singers. Boxes of records and books are piled here and there. The building contains over 100,000 old records, both

classical and jazz, over 10,000 books, and photographs and autographs going back to the 18th Century, including one of the great castrato Farenelli. Salmon and I sit at a table. Every few minutes his wife Gerri Benedikt calls from a small office in back, "Come on, Bob, you've got to get moving. The UPS man will be here in a half hour." They seem endlessly busy — Salmon specializes in vocal recordings and Benedikt in instrumental — and my conversation gets spread over several visits.

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I'm surprised that more people involved with music in this town don't avail themselves. The store is a bridge between the present and the past. We have cylinders and records that go back to the turn of the century. For instance, a large collection I bought about six months ago is all 19th-century singers. I don't know why we don't get more people in here — our customers are collectors from all over the world, either by mail or the Internet — but here in San Diego with such a large population you'd think there'd be some interest, but we have virtually no store business. You can come in any time of the day and not see anybody except us. We've been written up, we've been on television, we've had a lot of publicity, but it doesn't seem to help. All it does is bring people out of the woodwork trying to sell you something."

I ask him how many different recordings of *A Masked Ball* and *Il trovatore* he has, since those productions by the San Diego Opera frame my story. Salmon leans back to consider my question. He is a rather small, elderly man with gray hair and blue eyes. As I come to realize over the next week or so, despite his huge inventory he seems to know exactly what he has and where everything is. Not only that, he seems to have listened to every record and read every book.

"Well, we have about 30 recordings of *Ballo*. It was never that popular till several years ago, except in Italy. The earliest I have was recorded in 1929 or '30 with Beniamino Gigli and the chorus and orchestra of the opera house of Rome. As for *Il trovatore*, we have 27 of those. The oldest is from 1929 with the tenor Aureliano Pertile."

I ask Salmon about his background in music.

"I first got interested in opera when I was in St. Paul, Minnesota. I'd just got out of the Army. I was married and had kids and I saw the movie *The Great Caruso* with Mario Lanza and it made me want to hear what Caruso really sounded like, so I started to buy records. That was in 1951. Then when I came to San Diego, I started taking voice lessons and I sang in Starlight Opera in the '50s. I was a printer, a Linotype

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operator, and I went to Germany and I sang — well, first of all, I entered the San Francisco Opera auditions in about 1965 and I won that and also the Met auditions and I got third in that. I was supposed to go up to San Francisco and take dramatic lessons and voice lessons, but I could never take advantage of it because of the money. I had a family and three kids....”

So Salmon mostly stayed around San Diego, singing with the opera here and a number of other places and he had radio programs on opera on KPBS for five years and three other stations as well. On his wall he has a picture of himself and the tenor Plácido Domingo taken in 1966.

“I sang with people like Domingo — a real good friend. I’m writing a book on tenors, that’s my expertise mainly. I was a tenor and I sang. But I’m a collector and I have probably 1800 different tenors on record, which is a phenomenal number if you think about it.”

Salmon worked as a composer for the *Union-*

*Tribune* for 35 years until his retirement. He and Benedikt opened Benedikt & Salmon Record Rarities in 1982.

On another day Salmon gives me a tour of the store, leading me through the narrow aisles of shelving that rise above my head as I’m careful not to stumble over boxes on the floor. The place is not exactly cluttered, but I think that another dozen records might send it over the top. I also feel that without a guide I would have trouble finding my way out.

“I don’t necessarily have a sense of mission in keeping the records in the store together,” Salmon tells me, “as in keeping together my own personal collection. I have 10,000 records at home. I’ve got probably 3000 to 5000 autographed photos of singers. My problem, if you can call it a problem, is that I’m afraid that I’ll get rid of it too soon.” He turns back to me and laughs, then continues, talking over his shoulder. “If God would tell me when I’m going to die, then I’d know when to get rid of it, see. But if I get rid of it — I’m 76 years old now,

that’s getting up there — but supposing I get rid of it and live another 15 years when I could be enjoying this. That would be to me...well, I’d have no interests anymore. When you’re interested in something, there’s always something to look forward to. I wouldn’t want to be sitting around home. That’s why we enjoy this even though it’s a lot of work. We wouldn’t want to sit and watch television day and night doing nothing. Now, my father’s going on 101 and he worked here in the store until he was 99, getting cardboard from a nearby furniture store and making boxes and doing a lot of book work. I think of retiring someday. But you start thinking about it, what are you going to do with all this stuff?” He stops to laugh again. “But we’ll probably donate a lot of it. Benedikt wants to donate some good stuff to Juilliard or set up a scholarship or something — that’d be a good idea.”

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Music in New York with a double major in piano and clarinet. Then she taught music at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, New York, before moving to Los Angeles, where she was active in performance for some years — orchestra, opera,

and chamber music — establishing a woodwind quintet, the Brentwoodwinds, and receiving two grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. She came to San Diego in 1982. A dark-haired, attractive woman, Benedikt has the seriousness

and formality of a concert musician.

As I follow Salmon he keeps up a steady commentary on different singers, operas, opera houses, conductors, performances, how two or more singers might sing a particular role. Some

of the singers are familiar to me, most aren't. I recognize the names of most of the operas, but I know practically none of the recordings.

One of the singers he keeps mentioning is Chaliapin. I don't know the name. It sounds like an Indonesian

pork-and-pineapple dish. Soon I learn that Fyodor Chaliapin was a Russian bass born in a slum in Kazan in 1873. A handsome man, well over six feet, who had practically no opera training (four months) but who sang in choirs and choruses before

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died in Paris in 1938. I say all this because he comes back later.

Salmon leads me into a windowless room with floor-to-ceiling shelves filled with 78s that reminds me of a woodshed. He points to one 15-foot shelf.

“Those are all Caruso 78s. People think Caruso recordings are rare.” He gives a philosophical grin and shrugs. “When you play a Caruso record on an early phonograph meant to play those records, the voice comes out like thunder. It’s a sound that can’t be duplicated when they do it electronically. For example, RCA experimented in the ’40s. What they did was they took Caruso’s voice and isolated the voice from the Mickey Mouse–type band orchestra that he had in the acoustic days and they put it with a symphony and the results weren’t very good. We have a lot of early phonographs at home and I’ve got a 1905 Victor with a wood horn and you play these old records on there and it’s just like they’re alive, just like night and day compared to

the electronic ones they put out. Then you really hear how these 78s are supposed to sound.”

Later Salmon showed me a 1917 signed portrait of Caruso. He also has watercolors painted by Caruso. As he showed me the portrait, he told me the story of how Caruso’s mistress, the mother of his children, ran off with Caruso’s chauffeur.

Salmon continues along, half talking to me, half talking to himself, regretting the lack of room, how every space was full, how there wasn’t enough time. He points out the vast variety of recordings and books, the popular stuff, the early jazz and ragtime; 1/4-inch-thick records from 1915 with embossed labels; he digs through boxes; digs back through shelves; dust is disturbed; we sneeze. In one room are 20,000 jazz records. He shows me some forgeries that snuck by him.

“The worst thing was this signed photograph of Charlie Parker is in a 1956 magazine, but Parker died in 1955. So you know that’s

wrong. And we had another one, a Glenn Miller, but he was lost when his plane went down in 1944 and this was a 1945 magazine. So we got taken. We got our money back though. We spent \$4500 on this junk. So even if you’re an expert, so-called, you can be taken.” He laughs.

What is astonishing to me are the connections in his mind, all the pieces of musical knowledge, differences between singers’ voices, singing styles, composing styles, directing styles, the sound of one opera hall compared to another, going back in time — how far? Salmon speaks of the different singers, their different abilities and different roles with the knowledge and familiarity of a pianist touching the different keys.

He waves a hand at the bookshelves.

“I’ve read them all. My collection of books at home is fantastic — in all languages. I’ve made myself knowledgeable to the extent to where I can get the gist of it in Italian and French. I have a lot of Russian books, I’ve

learned the Cyrillic alphabet; I can figure it out. These are things you’ll never see anywhere. I’ve never taught any courses, but I’ve done a lot of radio programs where I’d bring an old phonograph and early records.” He pauses to dig into a box and pulls out a black tube. “Now these are cylinders, four-minute cylinders. Edison’s first wax cylinders, which he patented in 1892, were two-minute cylinders. But Edison always improved the machine so you didn’t have to buy a new one. You could put attachments on in order to play the new technology. These four-minute cylinders were made of celluloid with an asbestos lining. Edison went out of business in 1929, and he was always convinced that the cylinder was the best way to reproduce music and his theory was — and it’s correct — that the cylinder going at 120 rpm has far less distortion.”

Salmon pauses again. “But opera to just listen to it on a record is not complete theater. You have to see it. And that’s why you can’t

judge a singer by the recordings. You have to hear him on the stage. They can make his voice sound ten times bigger than it is by twisting a dial. That’s why many times I was disappointed in a singer, because I’d listen to his records, then I’d hear him at the theater and it would be a letdown.”

I ask Salmon about his favorite opera, and he talks about his love of Verdi, settling on *Otello* as his favorite. And what would be his dream cast?

“I think for sure I’d take the tenor that Verdi chose for the first performance at La Scala in 1887 — Francesco Tamagno. And then the soprano, I’d take Romilda Pantaleoni, who was the original. I think you’d have to go back to the people who Verdi himself chose as the greatest interpreters of the time. That’s not to say there aren’t great singers now. I saw Mario Del Monaco three times in *Otello*. He sang at the Met from 1951 to 1959. He was irresistible. You couldn’t take your eyes off him. He was so fantastic an actor, and the

voice was the right kind for *Otello*. It just rang out. You could put a thousand-instrument orchestra with him and he could still be heard. It was just that kind of a voice. He was handsome, too, a very good-looking man. Even his curtain calls were exciting. He’d have that dark makeup on, and he’d bare his teeth with that big smile. He’d knock you over.” Salmon laughs. “But my favorite tenor would have to be Nicolai Gedda. You heard of him? He’s number one — he sings all styles with a lot of conviction. He has a fantastic top register. And he’s a linguist. He’s fluent in about nine languages, very intelligent singer, very artistic. I saw him in *Tales of Hoffmann*, among others. He’s made more recordings than any other tenor who’s ever lived. And he’s still performing and he’s 73 years old. We corresponded for years and every time he did a new role he sent me a picture.”

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being filled with ghosts and silent music. And there was a melancholy to the rooms — just the fact they were empty and dusty, the fact of these two elderly people with their vast body of knowledge and only one another to share it with and, of course, the thousands they deal with through the mail or over the Internet.

As we are walking out, Salmon gestures to another room crowded with shelves and boxes, which, he says, at one point he had hoped to turn into a little coffee shop.

"I had visions of having little, like, soirees in here, you know, where people could sit and talk about records and all that. It just never happened. Nobody's interested. San Diego's the wrong sort of town. If this store was in New York, we'd be really swamped with business. I know that, but I wouldn't want to live in New York. San Diego's filled with theaters, but there're no people who are collectors or who listen to music. And most people go to the opera for the spectacle and in order to be

seen."

I buy an autobiography of Chaliapin, the Russian bass with the Indonesian-food-dish name. He carried two pistols in his suitcases at all times. Women found him irresistible.

One of the opera lovers I meet, a psychologist with Kaiser Permanente, tells me that he had had his understanding of opera polished and sharpened by a man who taught a class in opera at the Athenaeum in La Jolla, a man who seemed to know everything about opera and whose passion had ignited within his students a passion of their own. The teacher's name is Stanley Walens, and within several days I'm driving out to Walens's house in University City in my Hertz Malibu, along curving and hilly residential streets lined with eucalyptus, palm, and hibiscus. Solitary retirees sit on lawn chairs in the shadowy openings of their attached garages, sipping cold drinks and staring out at the street. They look worse than bored. Maybe they need *Otello*,

maybe Chaliapin.

"I think there are two things that people wish they could do," Walens tells me. "One is write. A lot of people can write, but almost everybody *wishes* they could write. And the other is that I think that everybody wishes they could sing. What person wouldn't want to be an opera star if they didn't have to work to do it? Because singing is so erotic and so central to our being and so pleasurable to hear and imagine."

We sit on the rug in Walens's shadowy living room. He's on the rug because of his bad back; I'm on the rug because it seems rude to sit higher than one's host — something like that. A small dog is running around. The curtains are drawn. One wall is filled with shelves of records, more records fill other rooms. Walens is a tall, slightly heavy 50-year-old man who looks ten years younger. The name of his course at the La Jolla Athenaeum was "Why there aren't any opera singers I listen to today and why I have so much fun listening to 78s

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and replications of 78s," which is something of a tease because, as I learn, there are plenty of "post-78" singers that he listens to. Still, he likes the older singers.

"When you can adjust your head to the sound problems of the 78 recording medium," Walens says, "there are singers available only on 78s or on transfers to LPs or CDs who are so amazing that no one in the last 25 years comes close to them. There are several reasons for this. One is that opera houses have changed size. The opera house at the beginning of the 20th Century held about 1000 people, and a big house held about 1500. The smallest opera house you can find now holds about 3000. The Met holds 4000—basically

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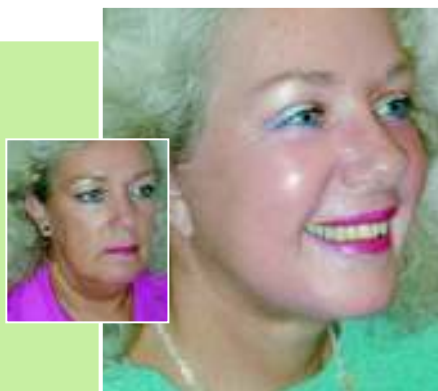
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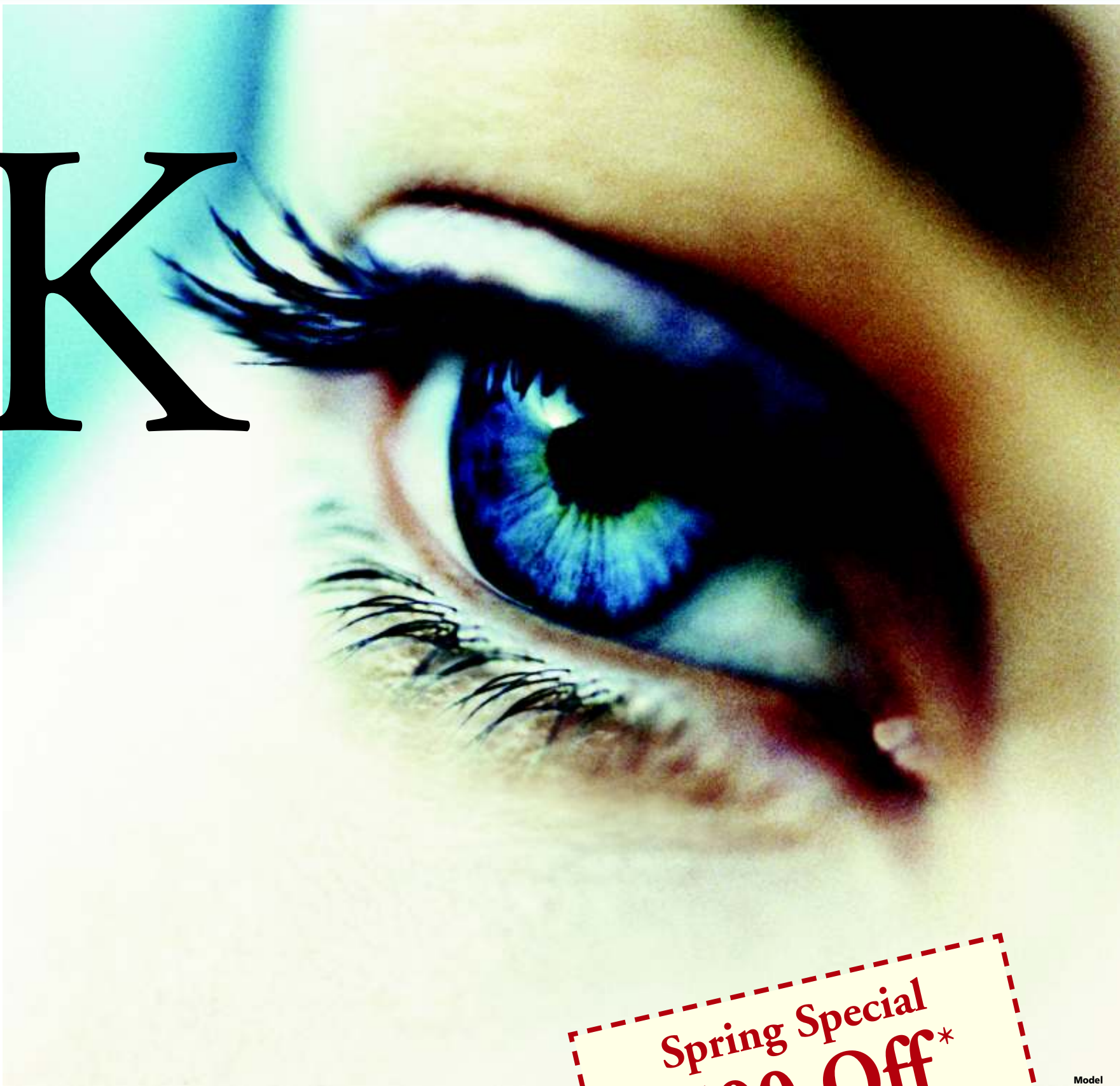
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Walens grew up in Philadelphia and first began listening to opera on the car radio as he was being driven to and from music school on Saturday afternoons—the Metropolitan Opera broadcasts from New York.

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a strange day and the announcer, Milton Cross, was very upset. I was 14. No one I knew listened to opera. My friends didn't listen to it. They listened to pop singers — Eddie Fisher and Frankie Avalon, who was a Philadelphia boy. And I just didn't. I would go inside on

Saturdays and listen to the radio. We had one of these tiny little radios with terrible sound, but it was a different world. I didn't know anything about opera history or vocal production. I just thought it was something nice. But I also remember when they started broad-

casting opera on TV in the late '50s and early '60s. The Met did a number of small broadcasts. The one I remember best was sections of Musorgsky's *Boris Godunov* with Giorgio Tozzi. I thought that was an astonishing opera. It's still one of my favorites. Then in the early '60s the

Bayreuth Festival in Germany began broadcasting Wagner's *The Ring of the Nibelung* during the summer. I look back and think what was it like to be 14 in 1962 and spend five hours listening to an opera at a Formica table, to a plastic radio — it must have been really strange. I just got hooked on Wagner immediately.

"Then in high school I went to my first opera performance — Wagner's *Tannhäuser*, done by a company in Philadelphia. It was so dismal, so 19th-century. The scenery was flats and little painted rocks and the actors just stood there and faced the conductor. The costumes were nice enough, but there wasn't a moment

of insight or drama. Everything I'd thought about opera from hearing it on the radio, about what it should look like and how it could be the most amazing dramatic form was not present on the stage. But soon afterward I saw Wagner's *Die Walküre* with Jon Vickers and he tore through that paper scenery like mad. That was the first inkling I got that opera could be in performance what I'd imagined. Vickers was this incredible, cosmic force. He almost hammed everything up. Everything was so intense and so dramatic that you were swept away by what he was doing every moment. I'd gone to the theater many times, and I'd never seen anyone act like that.

"There's a fundamental difference between the emotional experience of listening to singing and the emotional experience of hearing the singing of a great actor. I also think that opera is an art form so powerful that I've never seen anything on a dramatic stage as transforming as an opera can be, that I've never come out of a play feeling so utterly moved that I realize I'm not going to be the same person ever again. But many times I've come out of opera houses thinking the performance has changed me in some fashion. In the years when I discovered Wagner I was also reading German Romantic philosophy: the idea of art as something that transcends life,

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the idea of creating a ritual performance so great that everyone who perceives it is transformed. But I also know that what I liked about Wagner as a young man was the groundbreaking aspects of his music, of doing something so incredibly original that you can't imagine where it

came from."

Walens's passion led him to other composers — Richard Strauss and Puccini. He went to Haverford College outside of Philadelphia and bought dozens of operas at estate sales around the city. And he read about the composers and studied

the music, while his own musical training branched out in all directions. At music school he had studied the percussion instruments, then the cello. In college he learned the string bass, viola, and trombone. But instead of music, he had taken a degree in anthropology, receiving

his Ph.D. from Northwestern University and joining the anthropology department at UCSD in 1982. For the past six years he has been assistant editor of the journal *Philosophy of Science*.

I had with him the sense I had with Bob Salmon — that he couldn't listen to a piece of music without this huge linking to thousands of other pieces of music and to history itself — his own and the history of the medium, all the variations of sound and emotion — so

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that in listening to one note there is this whole body of other information trailing behind it.

As Walens talks about singers who were important to him he mentions someone I had heard about from Bob Salmon.

"After I saw Giorgio Tozzi in *Boris Godunov*, the first voice I came to know was Chaliapin. His influence on our culture is truly amazing, because he changed acting from the 19th- to the 20th-century fashion. Early

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on he realized when he sang Mephistopheles in *Faust* that he was just doing kind of cartoonish devil things, just posturing. So he decided he would make Mephistopheles an entire person with motivations and a character. And they say his performance of Mephistophe-

les was astonishing. I remember reading stories about him in *Boris Godunov* when he would supposedly see the ghost of the murdered child-czar in a corner and he would be so intent at looking at the ghost that at times the audience would stand up to see what was in the corner or

the orchestra would stop playing because the conductor was looking in that corner as well. And I remember reading an autobiography by Konstantin Stanislavsky where somebody had asked Stanislavsky how did you come up with this method of acting that completely revo-

lutionized how plays were performed and he said, 'All I did was watch Chaliapin and I wrote down what he did.' So for me, Chaliapin really is the person who changed 20th-century acting to be character-based and to be so intense and so thought through that it moves

away from the posturing of the 18th and 19th Century and into a kind of naturalism that we now accept as what acting should be about. And that's the kind of intensity that I always liked about opera — someone so engrossed that they carry you away with them."

Walens pauses to find a recording from 1932 of Chaliapin singing what is called "the clock scene" from *Boris Godunov*. Boris, who has seized the throne by having the child-czar Dimitri killed, is filled with dread when he learns that Dimitri apparently still lives and is approaching Moscow with an army. The scene begins with Boris beginning to sing, "I feel horrible, let me catch my breath." Then the cellos imitate the ticking of the clock that is also the beating of Boris's terrified heart. Even though the language is Russian and the recording 70 years old there is no doubt about the singer's passion and terror, which builds and builds until Boris cries out, "Before my eyes... the child in blood! There, over there in the corner... It's swaying, growing..."

The great English philosopher Isaiah Berlin, who died two years ago, was taken by his parents to see *Boris Godunov* with Chaliapin performed in St. Petersburg in 1916. Berlin was seven years old. He described the scene when Boris sees the ghost of Dimitri. "Chaliapin seemed physically to contract as he clutched the tablecloth of the table on the extreme left of the stage, behind which he stood. His features contorted, and his voice in some miraculous fashion seemed at the same time to sing magnificently while sounding distorted and strangled. He gradually disappeared or nearly so, behind and underneath the

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table, half pulling the tablecloth over himself. The whole thing was most terrifyingly hypnotic. I don't think that at that age I could have known what was being represented, only that a huge, magnificently dressed man was going through an agony of terror or some abnormal or very frightening condition. His dilated eyes and the violent, twisted, continuously expressive miming remain with me to this day. He was certainly the greatest actor that I've ever seen."

There is a common error about literature and art in general that its point is its answer — that a poem's point is its meaning, that a mystery novel's point is the secret of who committed the crime, that the opera's point is the sum of its music — whereas actually it is the whole experience — that the poem's meaning is only part of the entire experience of the poem; that in a good suspense novel the secret of the criminal's identity is just one benefit among many; that music is not the point of the opera but just one of many strands, though the most expressive.

"One of the things I had trouble with in American schools," Walens tells me, "was that when you were taught to interpret a novel you were taught to see what was on the surface — what does Tom Sawyer say, what does he mean. You can't do that in opera, because no matter what the character is saying, there are 104 characters in the orchestra saying something at the same time. You can't listen to Wagner and not know there's always a dialog between what the singer is saying and what's going on in the orchestra pit. For me, that was not only my main entrance to opera but also the world of interpretation and the realization that things are more complicated than they seem."

It is this emphasis on opera as a coming together of many different elements that is a major reason that Walens, and others I spoke to, put such stress on the dramatic. To care little about dramatic ability is to ignore one of opera's strongest effects. This became most apparent when we were talking about actual singers.

"For me, the popular singer who I don't care for is Pavarotti," says Walens. "He has the most physically gorgeous instrument of our time and gorgeous word production, but he might as well be saying, 'I can't find my toenail clipper, where did I put it' as 'You're the woman of my dreams, I can never live without you, I'm going to jump off this cliff' or whatever. He has no emotional center. On the other hand, I think Plácido Domingo is the finest tenor we have today because he puts everything into what he does. Even though his voice isn't quite as beautiful as Pavarotti's. You hear opera lovers quarreling about these two tenors all the time. I really expect an opera singer to do more than just sing beautifully."

Walens calls this "a real breakdown in opera lovers' camps" — those people who care only about voice production and those who want the dramatic. Among sopranos the comparison is often made between Maria Callas and Joan Sutherland, who were nearly the same age and sang many of the same



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Talking about Callas, Scott Sikon had told me, “She wasn’t always making pretty sounds, but that’s not always what opera’s about.”

“People who only care about sound,” Walens tells me, “would choose Sutherland over Maria Callas in *Norma* [Vincenzo Bellini’s 1831 opera about a Druid priestess] every time, but when I hear Maria Callas in *Norma* I think this is a woman in torment. She’s made a big mistake and she’s going to have to live with the consequences. When I saw Joan Sutherland in *Norma* it was just — ‘I can sing this, I can walk around the stage and I won’t miss a note.’ Sutherland had a beautiful flowing tone, but she might as well have been playing the oboe. And I never cared for one minute that I was listening to *Norma*.”

A few days later I speak with opera critic David Gregson, who tells me that seeing Callas singing *Norma* at the Met when he was a teenager “hooked me for life.” Gregson writes about the performing arts for *San Diego Magazine*, Microsoft’s San Diego Sidewalk website, and *Opera West*. He’s written about the local performing arts scene since 1968.

“Callas fans, of which I count myself one, tend to be more interested in theatrical presence, the excitement and drama, than the vocal purity. That’s what I like — I like to be excited, I like to be moved, stirred, I like to be thrilled. And there are times when a little pure soprano with her chirping sound, her birdlike voice, can do it for me a little bit, but I prefer these divas that churn up a lot of excitement. As for Sutherland, she was rather a bumpkin onstage. She had a great voice, but you never knew what she was talking about and her acting was so minimal you hadn’t a clue what the dilemma of the diva was.

But I’ll tell you when I first saw *Lucia di Lammermoor* [Donizetti’s 1835 opera about betrayal, madness, murder, and suicide in a Scottish setting] it was with Maria Callas at the Met. I was so thrilled I thought I’d die. I didn’t know the opera very well, but I knew what the story was from beginning to end because Callas made you know what the story was. Many years later I heard Joan Sutherland in the same role, and I had to keep checking the libretto to see what was going on because I hadn’t a clue. It was all very pretty, but I had no idea what emotion was being expressed, whether anger or disappointed love or what.”

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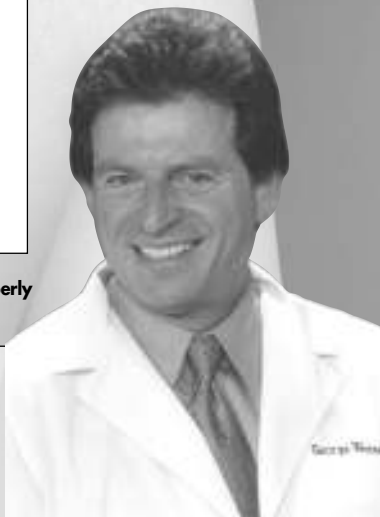
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ple about opera — some briefly and some at length. I ask a middle-aged man with candy-striped Bermuda shorts looking in the window of a T-shirt shop in Coronado.

"What's opera — that screeching that rich people pretend to like?" he asks.

Then I ask a meter maid down by the Civic Theatre before she can give me a ticket.

"Opera? I never listen to it, don't have the time. Besides, it makes me jittery."

I buy some film at a drugstore and ask the man behind the counter about

opera.

"I knew a gay guy who loved it. Maybe it's, like, you know...maybe it appeals to a gay audience."

But I also found many who liked it. For instance, a young college couple at Tower Records with \$40 trying to decide between Verdi's *Fal-*

staff and Offenbach's *Tales of Hoffmann* with the woman saying, "But we already have two Verdi operas and *Hoffmann* has a windup doll..." And the man says, "Only jerks fall in love with windup dolls."

Then I run into a man on the beach in Coronado


who listens to Puccini's *Tosca* on his Walkman because the music seems to harmonize with the waves.

I learn about a mailman who listens to opera as he makes his daily rounds and a man who lives in or around Oceanside whose house is virtually held up by

opera records and who claims to have every opera record ever made. Bob Salmon is indignant. "Nobody has every record. You're always finding more."

But the more I learn, the more I become interested in opera's impact in San Diego. Certainly, the San




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So I talk to Mitchell Lathrop, a San Diego lawyer who is a member of the board of directors of both the San Diego Opera and the Metropolitan Opera in New York, and I ask him why opera isn't more popular in San Diego.

"Because they don't understand it and don't take the time to understand it," Lathrop gives a jolly chuckle. "I think if you expose people to opera at a young age and you give them the right one, then that works. I mean, taking somebody to Wagner's *Parsifal* for their first opera would be a mistake, unless he's a trained musician before he got there, which is unlikely. On the other hand, something like *La Bohème* is perfect. Its music is lovely. I took my daughter to *La Bohème* when

she was two weeks short of being two years old and she actually made it all the way through." Lathrop chuckles again.

"But out here we have to build an audience. For one thing, we don't have as many music schools and San Diego isn't really considered a focus of long-term musical training and education. Plus, we have an awful lot of competing interests. We've got the weather, we've got the beaches, we've got sports. And granted a city the size of New York has a lot of competing interests, but opera has more of a tradition in places like New York, Boston, Chicago — places where they have these great music schools that have been part of the culture for a very long time."

Lathrop was brought up in New York and his parents took him to opera when he was very young. "I was a pianist when I was a boy," he tells me. "I started studying music when I was about four years old, and I performed semiprofessionally until it became time to go to college. It was a question

of Juilliard or Annapolis. A weird combination, but I wound up going to Annapolis and that was pretty much the end of my piano career."

Lathrop came out to San Diego in 1975 and became active in the opera right away. He talks about his experiences, his passion for Wagner and Romantic opera. The singers that he loves and performances he remembers. He describes a performance of Wagner's *Tristan und Isolde* at the Met in February, 1976, with Jess Thomas and Brigit Nilsson as the greatest performance he has ever seen, and I think how ephemeral it all is, since Lathrop has seen well over a hundred operas and mixed with all the others is this memory of a particular shining experience nearly 25 years ago. "Everything was special about it — the artistry of the principal performers, the production itself, which has got to be one of the greatest things the Met ever did, the orchestra, the entire package."

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age — and it's how Lathrop describes what he loves about opera. "The combination of the music, the voice, the story, the emotional power of the stories, even though it's how they're portrayed, how those human emotions come across, combined with the lighting, the sets, the entire package — I think it's a magnificent art form. But primarily the emotional impact of the total production."

And for San Diego the entire package is especially necessary because it makes the opera more accessible to the audience. We talk a little about Joan Sutherland and Maria Callas. How would a singer who can't or doesn't act be received in San Diego?

"If your voice is great," says Lathrop, "you could probably get away with it, I think. It depends upon the house. Now, for example, there are things we could get away with in a performance in New York that we couldn't get away with here. San Diego is more critical of the acting and the physical appearance of the singers. They want a more well-rounded

performance in the sense of the interaction between the artists and acting and singing."

I tell him of a young soprano I saw at the Met who easily weighed 250 pounds.

"That would never sell in San Diego. I mean, we would be killed. Those kinds of things probably vary from region to region. I suppose with the right lighting designer and enough distance you could probably hide some of that weight. And in New York you have so many passionate opera lovers and of course the population's a lot greater — you always have an audience. If the voice is good enough, then the audience will overlook a lot of the physical characteristics, whereas I doubt that that would happen here."

So it is difficult to build an audience in San Diego — the singers have to be attractive and dramatic, the sets have to be grand, production values are lowered, the music has to be tuneful — something you can hum on the way out of the theater.

That transforming experience so important to opera lovers, doesn't it become the job of the opera company to try to hand-deliver it, to make you comfortable, to take the pain out of the experience?

But the other way to build an audience is to get at the kids. Someone else I talk to is 16-year-old Jennifer Wright, a junior at Eastlake High School. She plays the viola for the Eastlake High School string orchestra and also for the Sweetwater Union High School District orchestra. When Jennifer was nine, she and her Girl Scout troop went to see the San Diego Opera's production of *The Barber of Seville* as part of the opera's educational program for students. She speaks with a breathless quality, a mix of enthusiasm and shyness that sends the words tumbling out of her mouth.

"But it wasn't really until I saw Rossini's *Italian Girl in Algiers* about two or three seasons ago at the San Diego Opera that I became a total opera freak and really started to appreciate opera

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and understand it more. I think that taking students to the opera kind of plants them in there and if they like it, then they carry it on for the rest of their lives. I know I will. And my best friend, who's a violist in her high school orchestra in Oklahoma, she was in the Girl Scout troop too and she loves opera too. And last season our orchestra went to see *Così fan tutte* and *Of Mice and Men* in the special program for students.”

The introduction to a few operas led Jennifer to explore others.

“I like going to the opera,

that's the best part, going to see it live after watching it on TV or a video, to actually go and experience it. I love the operas of Mozart and Rossini and Puccini. My favorite is Rossini's *Italian Girl in Algiers*. Then Mozart's *Magic Flute*. Even though you can't understand the plot, the music is wonderful. To me, I love music more than anything, so I'd rather see an opera than a movie because it has a story set to music and it's always the best music. Even if you see a movie scored by John Williams, like *Star Wars*, he's still no Mozart. I like a good comic opera,

but I also like dramatic opera. Puccini's *Tosca* is a really good example of dramatic opera and it has the most wonderful music and it makes me feel wonderful even though the story is sad and tragic and wild, but it's wonderful to be able to hear it and understand it, to hear the emotion expressed by the characters, for the music and story to actually fit perfectly. It makes me very happy to hear that. I'm afraid I can't explain it that well, but I definitely feel swept away by it. You know the final scene in Mozart's *Don Giovanni* when Don Giovanni is pulled down into hell? That part always makes me shiver, because the music's so intense and if you see it all onstage, that even intensifies the effect. And the flames are shooting up and the hole opens up in the stage. I love that. Nah, he deserved it. I'm excited because it's coming to the San Diego Opera and I hope to go see it. So far I've only seen it on video. My dad gets them from the Coronado library that has a good selection of opera videos.”

Jennifer talks about operas she hopes to see,

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favorite singers, her plans to become a composition major at San Diego State, even the opera she hopes to write.

"Right now, I have a few piano sketches and I'm working on the libretto. It has tragic themes, but it'll have a lot of comedy in it. It's a fantasy story which takes place on some island that's made up and which has a monarchy."

Her plans make me dizzy, but they are also exciting — the plans of a person with her entire life ahead of her. I ask if her fellow students ever find her being an opera freak a trifle peculiar.

"I don't think anybody in my school thinks I'm crazy for liking opera. I think they've accepted it. When I was a sophomore I liked to take my viola and just start playing in the middle of the school campus — maybe Glinka or Telemann. Some people would look at me funny and some would throw me quarters, but everybody pretty much knows who I am by now. Nobody ever gives me a hard time about it, they just know that's me."

One last anecdote. In July I happened to be in St. Petersburg, Russia, teaching a poetry class for two weeks to a group of American students who preferred studying poetry in Russia than in the United States. I saw two operas at the Mariinsky Theatre, where Chaliapin had sung: Verdi's *Rigoletto* sung in Russian and Puccini's *Madame Butterfly*. Amazing productions but dusty since the opera has been on short rations since the fall of the Soviets.

Before leaving St. Petersburg I went to the Chaliapin Museum in his old apartment filled with his furniture, clothing, books, paintings, costumes — all the memorabilia from his many roles but especially from *Boris Godunov*. Next to Chaliapin's bed were his fur slippers, on the bedside table was the book he apparently had been reading — as if he meant to return that night. On one wall was a large photograph of his funeral in Paris in 1938 with the streets full of several thousand people.

After I had wandered through the rooms — I was the only visitor — the elderly woman caretaker led me into a small recital hall next to Chaliapin's bedroom and put on a recording of Chaliapin singing *Boris* from over 70 years ago. First came the cellos as the clock struck back and forth, then Boris's death scene, felled by a heart attack, half-mad as the false Dimitri nears Moscow with his army. It was a live performance and we could hear Chaliapin groan, cry, "Forgive me, forgive me," then stumble, fall to the floor of the stage. The woman stood by the door with her hand to her throat weeping. On the recording, women were also weeping. There was a rising swell on the basses to the cellos, then to the violas and violins as Boris's soul departed from his body. The music came to an end. Neither the woman nor I knew a word of one another's language. In any case, I felt too full of the music to speak. The woman wiped her eyes. We nodded to one another. ■

— Stephen Dobyns

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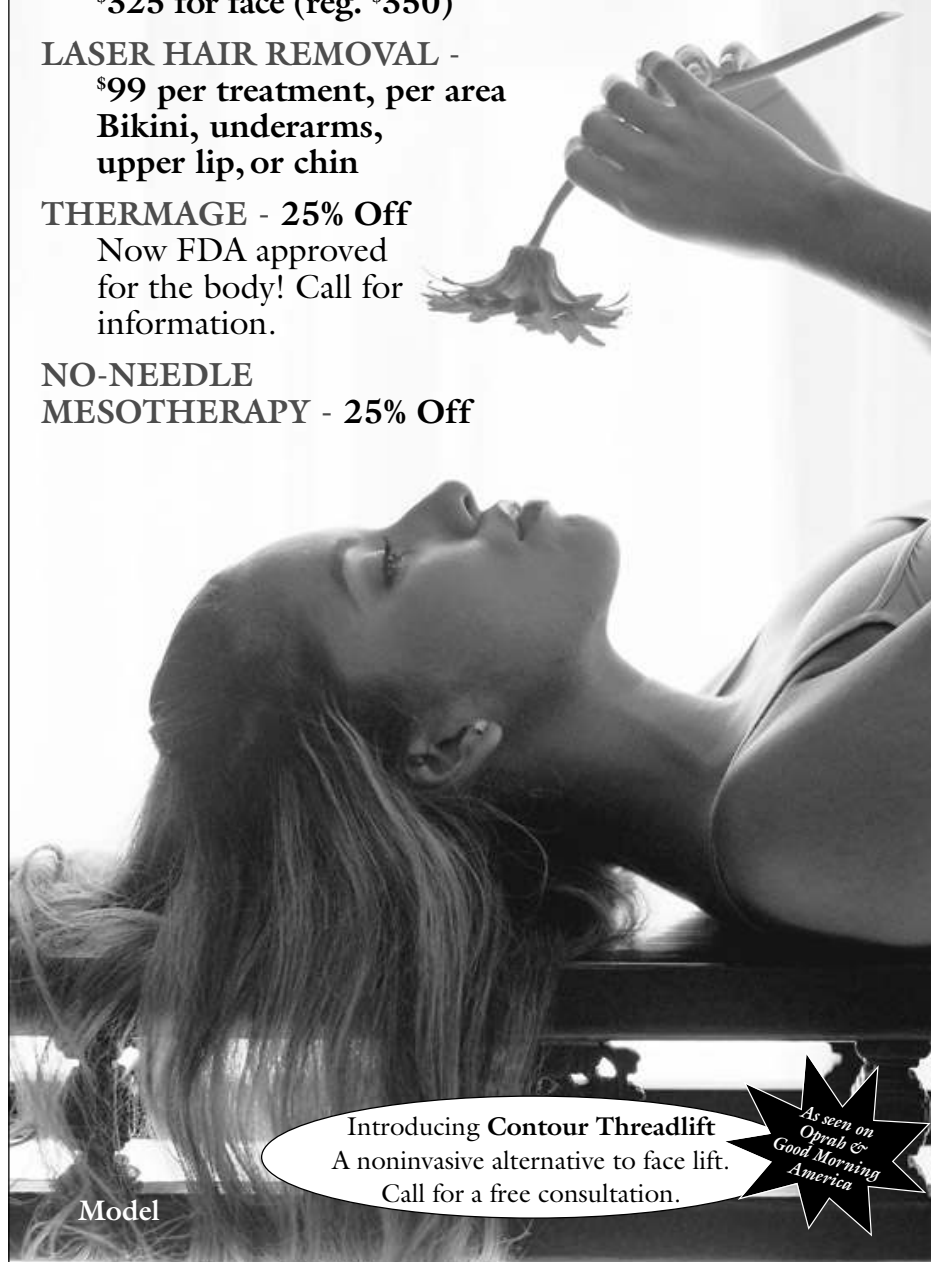
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child in that she says, “If you wanted, in San Diego, to see a form of your baby’s future, if you wanted to see what kind of work your middle-aged Down syndrome child might do when he’s 30 and you’re 60, where would you go?” The article then goes on to explain the author’s fearful “experience” at the North County center for the Arc of San Diego. If I was the expectant parent of a baby with Down syndrome or parent of a new baby with Down syndrome, the article would have absolutely terrified me and left me hopeless. Although it could possibly be the future for some with Down syndrome, it is certainly not the case for most of the children, as she implies.

It was ignorant and extremely irresponsible and cruel for her to write an article that takes away any parent’s hope for their child’s future, especially if their child has special needs. It could be compared to telling a person that has just been

diagnosed with breast cancer to go visit hospice to see what to expect in their future. How heartless would that be? Why show the worst-case scenario when today there are far more positive outcomes possible? Today with early intervention, which most times begins at birth, we learn that we shouldn’t set any limits on our children with special needs. What right does she have to do so? Today there are children with Down syndrome as well as other disabilities living independently, driving, going to and graduating from college, and getting married and having families. It would be a tragedy if new parents read and believe as she suggests that the future of their child is predetermined and then don’t work with their child as you would any child to reach their greatest potential. Just as not every child without special needs will grow up to be a brain surgeon, not every child with Down syndrome will grow up, as she writes, to clean “pine needles from the front lawn of the public library.”

I try to see the good in

people, so rather than assume that Laura wrote the story to offend, hurt, and perpetuate stereotypes, as many readers do, I would like to think that it comes from her own ignorance and fear. She states in her story that she feels a “pity-laced fear” when she sees “a handicapped stranger in public.” To me that says it all. The only purpose I have been able to see in the story is her attempt to deal with her fear, but in that misguided attempt she only succeeds in making her unknowing readers more fearful and encourages negative stereotypes. With her overwhelmingly negative descriptions of the consumers at Arc and by addressing it to parents of babies with Down syndrome, the article has had a devastatingly negative effect.

As I said before, I am the mother of a ten-year-old with Down syndrome. She is and always has been fully included in regular education classes in school and activities in the community. She has been reading since she was four years old and could read over 1000 sight words

when she entered kindergarten. She currently writes poems and stories along with all of her other “typically developing” friends and classmates. She tells me she wants to be a teacher when she grows up, and who am I, or Laura McNeal, to say she won’t? She has also written you a letter because, as she says, “Calling people Oompa-Loompas is a bad choice and very unkind.” She is in religion class, cheerleading, Brownies, and involved in CYT (Christian Youth Theater), all with children her age who do not have “developmental delays.” She also plays soccer and baseball, rides horses, and swims with the Special Olympics.

The story done by Laura McNeal was terribly offensive to myself and the families and friends of people with Down syndrome and other special needs. The condescending and cruel manner in which it came across came, I feel, from her own ignorance and fear. The only way to change this ignorance and fear is by taking it out of the dark, by gaining knowledge. For her

own benefit and that of her readers, the very least she should do is to research and do another feature story of equal length showing the extraordinary accomplishments and contributions that are being made today by people who have Down syndrome. There are countless stories. (Locally a year or two ago a woman with Down syndrome received the employee of the year award in San Diego Unified School District for her work in education.) Since her story was addressed to new parents of babies with Down syndrome, she needs to show the whole picture and give them hope by showing them all of the wonderful possibilities and opportunities that are possible for their child today. It would also be nice to have the cover picture be that of a happy, smiling child with Down syndrome rather than a sad-looking child with a tear in his eye.

Laura owes an apology to her readers, and the best way to do this is to educate herself and her readers by doing another story. If her intentions were good, as I

hope they were, she will do this and give hope to new parents of babies with Down syndrome as you would any new parent. I would like to see something positive come out of the pain and harm her original story caused to so many people. She is a mother, and if she thinks back to the hopes and dreams she had when her children were born, I can’t imagine that she intended to take away those hopes and dreams from any new parent. From one mother to another, I implore her to open her mind and do another story that shows the full picture, not just one side. A story that will give hope and help to eliminate stereotypes, prejudice, ignorance, and fear.

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your image that way, and if you saw me you’d know why I’m not a pop star.”

On Saturday, March 25, Rash and her husband and business partner will conduct a workshop entitled, “So You Wanna Be a Pop Star?” “We’re going to give a broad overview of the way the business runs,” says Rash. “People come to us after spending thousands of dollars, even a couple of years, and they have nothing — they have a demo that they hate and they’re no closer to their goal.”

According to Rash the industry works differently for bands than it does for pop stars. “These days, with the advance in technology, bands are recording their own albums, selling their own albums, and out gigging themselves. They might have 1000 to 5000 fans before record labels are picking them up. This is happening for singers and singer/songwriter types as well. For a pop star, they don’t need to have a following, but they do need to come to a record label

ready.” In the past it was common for labels to groom artists into stars. Rash says this is no longer the case. “What we find the most here locally are young, mostly girls, who are looking to be the next Beyoncé or Britney.”

Rash believes that bands do not need record labels as much as pop stars. “The venues [at which bands and pop stars perform] are different,” she says. “You can go to L.A., and there are clubs all over that love bands. That’s a little bit different than someone like Beyoncé, who’s got this amazing voice, but she’s not the type who fronts a band. [Pop stars] are more likely to use tracks than bands, and they have dancers and that kind of thing.”

Rash’s company offers production services and vocal training. Becky Rash has been teaching production, songwriting, and voice for 15 years. There is a reason this workshop is also extended to “families of aspiring pop stars” — a young star’s failure to rise can often be attributed to the actions of his or her parents.

“Parents can pose problems for their kids. They can be the most talented in the world, but if professionals don’t like to work with the parents, forget it,” says Rash. “We’ve had kids that we’ve produced songs for and then refused [to continue]. We just couldn’t stand to do any more work with them because their parents were so annoying.”

Among the faux pas are parents who don’t let their child make his or her own decision, parents who do not understand the level of professionalism required, and parents who try to take charge of the situation, “as if they know more than the professional,” says Rash. “We had a daughter



Becky Rash

doing a recording session with us, and Mom would come to the recording session and have no regard for the recording process. She would bring her laptop and talk a lot. [Parents] need to understand that they need to be there, but to step back and let the professional work with the child.”

Rash emphasizes that it can take a lot of money to try to be a pop star. “If you don’t have any money, you need to start saving.” Payment for voice lessons (if needed), a recording demo, songwriting (again, if needed), marketing, a website, photos, etc., can range from \$10,000 to \$200,000, “depending on how professional and all-out they want to go.”

“If the talent is there, and all those other aspects are together, people like Ken and I — semi-professionals who are lower on the ladder — will recognize that talent

and pool their resources. If we find a really talented person, we won’t charge you — we would want to help you with your career and take something from the back end [like a percentage of record sales]. If people are truly talented, [other] people will grab on for the ride.”

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## LOCAL EVENTS

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## BAJA

**Gerardo Peña** in concert, Thursday, March 23, 9:30 p.m., at El Lugar del Nopal (Callejón 5 de Mayo #1320). 011-52-664-685-1264. (TIJUANA)

**Selections by Respighi, Nuñez, Gershwin, Palacio, and Piazzolla** promised in upcoming concerts by Orchestra of Baja California. Enjoy concerts at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río); on Friday, March 24, at Centro Estatal de las Artes in Mexicali; and on Saturday, March 25, at Teatro de la Ciudad in Ensenada. Tickets: \$15 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA, MEXICALI, ENSENADA)

**Women's Literature in a Woman's Voice**, Blanca Sánchez reads from her work, Thursday, March 23, 7 p.m., Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los

## OUT & ABOUT

### TOUGH ENOUGH?

SoCal Scorpions' open tryouts for Women's Professional Football League team, Saturday, March 25, Salvation Army Kroc Community Center.

(SEE SPORTS)



Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). Free. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**Classical Music** promised when San Diego Symphony Orchestra performs Friday, March 24, 8 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). Tickets: \$15, \$20, \$30 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9636. (TIJUANA)

**The Comedy and Musical Show** *Humoris Causa* presented by Radiopatías, Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25, 9 p.m., at El Lugar del Nopal (Callejón 5 de Mayo #1320). 011-52-664-685-1264. (TIJUANA)

**Tijuana History Fair** with photography, lectures, interactive games, more, runs Friday, March 24–Sunday, March 26, at

Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. Free. (TIJUANA)

**"Explosion Norteña,"** enjoy Mexican country music, Friday, March 24, 8:30 p.m., at Baby Rock (at Diego Rivera and Paseo de los Héroes, in Zona Río). 011-52-664-634-2405. (TIJUANA)

**Flamenco Guitar Concert**, Friday, March 24, 8 p.m., at Patios Sevillanos at Monumental Bullring by the Sea. 011-52-664-609-6187. (PLAYAS DE TIJUANA)

**Comedy** by Polo Polo, Friday, March 24, 8 p.m., at El Foro, Jai Alai Palace (on Avenida Revolución). Tickets: \$12–\$55 U.S. 619-734-2333. (TIJUANA)

**Wine and Dine in Ensenada**, Baja California Tours hosts outing led by David Clark, Saturday, March 25. Event includes tours and tasting at Vina Liceaga, Pedro Domecq, L.A. Cetto wineries in Valle de Guadalupe. \$79 fee includes lunch, transportation. Reservations: 858-454-7166. (ENSENADA)

**The Political Comedy Show** *Ya Nos Vamos Mexico* performed by Raquel Pankovsky, Alfonso Villalpando, and Roberto Penagos on Saturday, March 25, 7 and 9:30 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, Zona Río). Tickets: \$25, \$30 U.S. 011-52-664-687-9650. (TIJUANA)

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**Binational Motocross Series Finale**, Saturday, March 25, 7 a.m. Routes, details: 011-52-664-612-2525. (ROSARITO BEACH)

**Electronic Music** promised when Smuhg, Vazik, Sankha, Sekta Core, other DJs perform Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26, 8 p.m., at Club Maya. 011-52-661-100-2255. (ROSARITO BEACH)

**Mixed Martial Arts** and Muay Thai Fights, Saturday, March 25, 4 p.m., at Baby Rock (at Diego Rivera and Paseo de los Héroes, Zona Río). Headline bout: Ricco Rodriguez versus Taylor Brooks. In total, expect 7 world championships, 12 fights. Admission: \$40 general. (TIJUANA)

**"A Body With No Shoes,"** Diego Moreno reads from and signs his new book, Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m., at Centro Cultural Tijuana (Paseo de los Héroes and Mina Street, in Zona Río). 011-52-664-687-9636. Free. (TIJUANA)

## OUTDOORS

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

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

**The Big Dipper**, an abbreviated version of the larger constellation known as Ursa Major (the Great Bear), hovers nearly straight overhead during evening hours from March through June. The seven stars of the dipper — all but one classified as "second magnitude" in brightness — can be distinctly seen on clear evenings, even from light-polluted city locations. The two stars at the end of the bowl of the Big Dipper point downward toward a lone, second-magnitude star: Polaris, the North Star, which perpetually marks the direction of true north.

**Venus and the Waning Crescent Moon** stand side-by-side over the southeastern horizon during morning twilight (approximately 5 a.m.) on the morning of Saturday, March 25. This is but one of a series of moon/Venus conjunctions taking place approximately once a month at dawn through September of this year.

**Enjoy Fragrance of Black Sage** and California sagebrush on guided nature walks in Mission Trails Regional Park, Saturday, Sunday, Wednesday, March 25, 26, 29, 9:30-11 a.m., in Mission Trails Regional Park (One Father Junípero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3281. (SAN CARLOS)

**Help Remove Invasive Plants** and refuse along San Diego River — from I-5 west to river

mouth — with Audubon Society volunteers, Saturday, March 25, 9 a.m.-noon. Wear work clothes; bring work gloves and weeding tools if you have them. Free. Directions: 858-273-5242. (MISSION BAY)

**An Expert Birder** from San Diego Audubon Society leads bird walk in Tecolote Canyon on Saturday, March 25, 9 a.m., at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Free. Bring binoculars and drinking water. 858-581-9944. (CLAIREMONT)

**Why Is There an Ostrich Perched** over Park Boulevard? Find out when Patty Fares leads Urban Safari walking adventure through University Heights, Saturday, March 25, 10 a.m. \$10. Reservations and directions: 619-944-9255. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

**See Wildflowers** and observe birds and wildlife during guided nature hike along trail to historic Sickler Mill, Saturday, March 25, 1 p.m., at Wilderness Gardens Preserve (14209 Highway 76, ten miles east of I-15). 760-742-1631. Parking fee: \$2. (PALA)

**Basic Birding** program by Tom Troy, Saturday, March 25, 8:30 a.m., at Buena Vista lagoon landing. Emphasis on using binoculars, spotting scopes, field guides, local resources. Free. Directions: 760-439-2473. (OCEANSIDE)

**Bizarre Trees**, cacti, and succulents star when Offshoot Tours hosts its monthly hour-long guided stroll through desert garden, Saturday, March 25, 10 a.m., starting



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## LOCAL EVENTS

from park's visitors' center. Free. 619-235-1122. (BALBOA PARK)

**How Did Kumeyaay Live Along Batiquitos Lagoon?** Get some ideas during docent-led walk, Saturday, March 25, starting at 9 a.m. at west Bella Lago entrance (on Batiquitos Drive). Free. 760-931-0800. (CARLSBAD)

**Look Into Tidepools at False Point** when a naturalist from Birch Aquarium-Museum leads "Tidepooling for All," Saturday, March 25, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Fee: \$12 for adults, \$9 for children 6 and older. Required reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

**Visit Historical Grinding Rocks Site** and see San Diego River during guided nature walk, Saturday, March 25, 8:30 a.m., beginning in Kumeyaay Lake Campground of Mission Trails Regional Park (Two Father Junipero Serra Trail). Free. 619-668-3281. (SANTEE)

**Highest Tide** this month, +5.8 feet, occurs at 7:10 a.m. on Monday, March 27. The two lowest tides this month measure -1.1 feet at 1:15 p.m. on Sunday, the 26th, and -1.0 foot at 1:49 p.m. on Monday, the 27th. Both incidences of

extreme low tide are perfect occasions for tidepool discoveries along San Diego's rocky stretches of coastline.

### Wildlife Baby Season Is Here!

Wildlife Assist, an emergency response organization, needs volunteers to rescue orphans and other animals in trouble. Recruiting session, Sunday, March 26, 2 p.m., at Tijuana Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). Free. 619-921-6044. (IMPERIAL BEACH)

**See Early Spring Species** when Audubon Society birdwatchers head to Kit Carson Park, Wednesday, March 29, 8 a.m. Meet at El Arroyo picnic area; find Kit Carson Park at 3333 Bear Valley Parkway. Easy hiking. 619-280-7710. Free. (ESCONDIDO)

**Explore Golden Hill** with Walk-about perambulators, Wednesday, March 29. Moderate walk, mostly flat terrain, starts at 25th and A at 10:30 a.m. Optional lunch, visit to Mexican bakery. Free. 619-231-7463. (GOLDEN HILL)

**Grunion Greeters Unite!** Pepperdine University's Grunion Greeter Project allows volunteers to help researchers and experience grunion runs. Participants monitor local beaches, collecting basic information for about two hours during grunion runs, April through early June. Greeters select nights and beaches to monitor.

## OUT & ABOUT

**VOICES OF SAN DIEGO** Dance Theater, Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25, San Diego State University.

(SEE DANCE)



PHOTOGRAPH BY JEFFREY BROWN

Training sessions offered Thursday, March 30, 6:30 p.m., at Birch Aquarium-Museum (2300 Expedition Way); on Thursday, April 6, 6:30 p.m., at MiraCosta College (One Barnard Drive); and on Saturday, April 15, 1:30 p.m., at Tijuana River Estuary visitors' center (301 Caspian Way). To register for one workshop, leave e-mail address at 619-733-0725. (LA JOLLA, OCEANSIDE, IMPERIAL BEACH)

## DANCE

**"Pop Art,"** San Diego Ballet closes season with performances March 24-26 at San Diego Museum of Art. Program includes *Maria at...*, *Portraits in Yellow and Black*, *Pop Art*. Curtain rises at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets: \$25 general. 619-696-1966. (BALBOA PARK)

**Voices of San Diego Dance Theater** — premiere of piece by Joe Alter, a solo work by Alison D. Smith, and Sadie Weinberg's *Palimpsest* performed by Jean Isaacs San Diego Dance Theater, March 24 and 25. Dancing begins at 8 p.m. in Don Powell Theatre at San Diego State University. \$15 general. 858-484-7791. (SDSU)

**Bohemian National Polka** featured at beginner-friendly dance, Friday, March 24, in room 207 of Casa del Prado. Lesson at 7:30 p.m., followed by open dancing. All ages. Partners not required. Free. 619-583-9956. (BALBOA PARK)

**The Demi-Tippers** make music, Graham Hempel calls for contradance, Saturday, March 25, 8 p.m., at Trinity United Methodist Church (3030 Thorn Street). Beginner's workshop: 7:30 p.m. \$8. Wear soft-soled shoes. 619-283-8550. (NORTH PARK)

**Bulgarian Dance** taught by professional Balkan dance teacher, choreographer, performer Daniela Ivanova, Saturday, March 25, at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street). Workshop at 4:30 p.m. (\$7); potluck dinner 6:30 p.m.; review and dance party at 7:30 p.m. (\$6). 619-281-5656. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**All Things Swing Dance Party** with music by Tim Gill, workshops, dancing, performances, games, on Saturday, March 25, at

Dance North County (535 Encinitas Boulevard, suite 100). Intermediate "dips and tricks" workshop (7:15 p.m.); beginners' class (8:30 p.m.), open dancing 8:30-midnight. Dance only: \$13; additional fee for lessons. 619-291-3775. (ENCINITAS)

**English Country Dancing** takes place every Sunday, 6 to 9 p.m., at Jean Hart Academy of Dance (Oak Knoll Plaza, 12227 Poway Road). Steve Maranto calls on March 26. Beginner's instruction at 6 p.m. \$6 per class; \$20 per month. 858-486-9160. (POWAY)

**Swing and Jitterbug Dance Party** at Pattie Wells Dancetime Center, Sunday, March 26, 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 general, \$4 for full-time students; free for first-timers. (BAY PARK)

## FILM

**Banff Mountain Film Festival** screens Thursday, March 23, at La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101; 760-436-7469) and Friday-Sunday, March 24-26, at San Diego Natural History Museum. Featured films this year include *Cavewoman*, *Return2Sender*:

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**“Enter Imbrogio,”** new surf film by Big Red Productions starring Micah Byrne, Brett Simpson, Jesse Evans, and Ted Navarro, screens Friday, March 24, at Wave House (3125 Mission Boulevard; 858-228-9283) and on Thursday, March 30, La Paloma Theatre (471 South Coast Highway 101; 760-436-7469). (MISSION BEACH, ENCINITAS)

**“Everything Is Illuminated,”** directed by Liev Schreiber and starring Elijah Wood, screens for Film Forum on Monday, March 27, 6:30 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). 619-236-5800. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

**Tournées French and Franco-phone Film Festival**, March 27, 28, and 30, in Montezuma Hall at San Diego State University. On Monday, see *Sequins* and *Games of Love and Chance*. *Happily Ever After* is screened Tuesday, along with *She’s One of Us*. Series closes with *A tout de suite* and *Moolaadé* on Thursday. Screenings begin at 5 and 7 p.m. each day. Admission is free. 619-594-5111. (SDSU)

**The Documentary Afghanistan Unveiled** — described as being “about Afghan women by Afghan women” — screens Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m., at University of San Diego’s Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice (5998 Alcalá Park). Discussion follows led by an SDSU women’s studies professor and Afghanistan native. Free. Reservations: 619-443-1265. (LINDA VISTA)

**“All Eyes on Mexico”** is March theme for ongoing Carlsbad Library film series, continuing with *My Family*, Wednesday, March 29, 6 p.m., in Schulman Auditorium (1775 Dove Lane). Free. 760-602-2026. (LA COSTA)

**“I Fidanzati”** (1962) by Ermanno Olmi screens for Italian Film Festival on Thursday, March 30, 7 p.m., at Italian Community Center (1669 Columbia Street). \$2. 619-237-0601. In Italian with English subtitles. (LITTLE ITALY)

**Reuben H. Fleet Science Center**, currently screening in the IMAX theater: *Greece: Secrets of the Past; Mystic India: An Incredible Journey of Inspiration* (through March). Ticket prices and showtimes: 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

LECTURES

**“Viennese 18th-Century Theatrical Costume** and Fash-

OUT & ABOUT

**UNBREAKABLE BONDS** explored — Jodi Picoult signs books, Thursday, March 30, Warwick’s Bookstore.

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ion” presented by Bonnie Kruger, Thursday, March 23, 6:30 p.m., in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Talk is in conjunction with exhibit of eight 18th-Century opera costumes on display through March 24 in reading rooms of SDSU Library’s Special Collections. Free. 619-594-1242. (SDSU)

**The Distinguished Author Series** continues when Faye Kellerman, best known for her Peter Decker/Rina

Lazarus detective stories, discusses *Straight Into Darkness* and how “she combines her writing talent with her deep faith,” Thursday, March 23.

Rabbi Elliot Dorff presents “The Way Into Tikkun Olam (Fixing the World),” Tuesday, March 28. Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. in David and Dorothea Garfield Theatre at Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center (4126 Executive Drive). \$12. 858-457-3030. (LA JOLLA)

**The Future of Air Transportation** in our region discussed during town hall meetings, Thursday, March 23, 6 p.m., at La Mesa Community Center (4975 Memorial Drive). Meeting repeats Thursday, March 30, 6 p.m., at Carlton Oaks Country Club (9200 Inwood Drive). Free. 619-400-2470. (LA MESA, SANTEE)

**“Attracting Birds to Your Back Yard:** Creating a Native Plant Garden” discussed by Mel Hinton for Audubon Society, Friday, March 24, 7 p.m., at Tecolote Nature Center (5180 Tecolote Road). Over 60 species of birds have visited Hinton’s yard. Free. 619-682-7200. (CLAIREMONT)

**The Art and Craft of Creative Nonfiction** writing addressed by journalist Michael Grant for San Diego Writers, Ink, Friday, March 24, 7 p.m., Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Donation: \$10. 858-603-0630. (HILLCREST)

**“Jewish Contributions to Dance in General** and Ballet in Particular” presented by ballet instructor Sheila Orysiek, Friday, March 24, 7:30 p.m., Temple Emanu-El (6299 Capri Drive). \$5 general. 619-286-2555. (DEL CERRO)

**“Planting Clues and Red Herrings,”** author, instructor John Morgan Wilson conducts workshop using his new mystery (*Rhapsody in Blood*) for exam-

ples, Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Recommended reservations: 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

**“Good Bugs vs. Bad Bugs”** examined by entomologist Jim Davis, Saturday, March 25, 10:30 a.m., at Cedros Gardens (330 South Cedros Avenue). Free. 760-436-7986 x211. (SOLANA BEACH)

**“Havoc, Blogbog,** and Pseudocode,” Alex Dragulescu leads “tour” of computer code-turned images in his digital art, Saturday, March 25, 1 p.m., at Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. 619-238-1233. Included in regular admission. (BALBOA PARK)

**“So You Wanna Be a Pop Star?”** Workshop “for aspiring pop stars and their families” by Ken and Becky Rash of Active Audio and Entertainment, Saturday, March 25, 4 p.m., Rancho Bernardo Radisson Hotel (11520 West Bernardo Court). Free. 858-673-5441. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

**“Trees in the Water Conserving Landscape”** discussed by certified arborist Leah Rottke, Saturday, March 25, 10 a.m., in Cuyamaca College’s Water Conservation Garden (12122 Cuyamaca College Drive West). Tree selection, planting advice, watering, pruning, more. \$8. Reservations: 619-660-0614. (EL CAJON)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

**DNA Day at the Fleet** is Saturday, March 25, noon, Reuben H. Fleet Science Center. Scientists from Salk Institute examine tools, techniques of modern biotechnology. Practice your lab skills! Included in regular admission. 619-238-1233. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Science Under Siege,"** local ACLU director Kevin Keenan focuses on "assaults on scientific inquiry...based on the same fallacies as attacks on political freedom" when Association for Rational Inquiry meets on Sunday, March 26, 7 p.m., in Joyce Beers Community Center (1230 Vermont Street). Donation. 619-421-5844. (HILLCREST)

**Bulgarian Singing Workshop** led by professional Balkan dance teacher, choreographer, performer Daniela Ivanova, Sunday, March 26, 2:30 p.m., at Folk Dance Center (4569 30th Street). \$. 858-278-4619. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**Focus on Saudi Women** when Lois Ruble speaks for North County Coastal Forum of the World Affairs Council, Monday, March 27, 10:05 a.m., in second-floor activity room at La Vida del Mar (850 Del Mar Downs Road). Ruble was nurse in Saudi Arabia 1977-1999. Free. 858-487-4635, 858-759-1202. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Mount Whitney Clinic,** Kurt Wedberg offers tips for gear, trip planning, and show slides of various route approaches, Monday, March 27, at Adventure 16 (4620 Alvarado Canyon Road; 619-283-2374); Tuesday, March 28, at 2002 South Coast Highway 101 (760-966-1700); and on Thursday, March 30, at 143 South Cedros (858-755-7662). Free programs at 7 p.m. (MISSION VALLEY, OCEANSIDE, SOLANA BEACH)

**"STUN,"** a public-access TV show for skeptics, is discussed — and one episode will be shown — by producer Diane Anshell when Atheist Coalition of San Diego meets on Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m., at North Park Recreation Center (4044 Idaho Street). Free. 619-342-7388. (NORTH PARK)

**"How to Read Early British and American Handwriting"** revealed by Gene Cheney when North San Diego County Genealogical Society meets Tuesday, March 28, 10 a.m., in Carlsbad City Council Chambers (1200 Carlsbad Village Drive). Free. 858-509-4937. (CARLSBAD)

**Computer Security and Identity Theft** via computer is focus when Kristina Nehls, crime prevention specialist with San Diego County Sheriff's Department, addresses Tri-City Computer Club, Tuesday, March 28, 1 p.m., at Salvation Army (3935 Lake Boulevard). Meeting is free; fee for lunch. \$. 760-724-8673. (OCEANSIDE)

## OUT & ABOUT

**SOUL OF AFRICA**  
Ugandan musician  
Samite for  
AcousticMusicSanDiego,  
Sunday, March 26.

(SEE IN PERSON)



**Master Composter Training** — five-week class starts Tuesday, March 28, 6-8:30 p.m., City of San Diego Environmental Resources Services Building (9601 Ridgehaven Court). \$20. Registration: 760-436-7986 x216. (KEARNY MESA)

**Mountain Bike Basics** dispensed Tuesday, March 28, at REI Encinitas (1590 Leucadia Boulevard; 760-944-9020) and Wednesday, March 29, at REI San Diego (5556 Copley Drive; 858-279-4400). Basics of biking, proper gear, techniques, local places to explore. 7 p.m. Free. (ENCINITAS, KEARNY MESA)

**"Great Small Trees for Urban Landscapes"** explored when Steve Brigham and Don Walker present slide-illustrated lecture, Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m., at San Diego Natural History Museum. Learn about small trees, how to prune and care for them. Duo will sign their book *Ornamental Trees for Mediterranean Climates: The Trees of San Diego*. Free. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (BALBOA PARK)

**"Art and Copyrights #2,"** Professor Julie Cromer discusses copyright issues that can hinder artists for Professional Artist Lecture Series, Wednesday, March 29,

6:30 p.m., at San Diego Art Institute, Museum of the Living Artist (1439 El Prado). \$. 619-236-0011. (BALBOA PARK)

## IN PERSON

**Soul of Africa,** Ugandan musician Samite performs for AcousticMusicSanDiego, Sunday, March 26 (\$15, \$20). This concert follows "acoustic mayhem" by the Waybacks, Thursday, March 23 (\$18, \$22); Chuck Pyle on Friday, March 24 (\$15, \$20); and cowboy singer Dave Stamey on Saturday, March 25 (\$15, \$20). All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. at Normal Heights United Methodist Church (4650 Mansfield Street). 619-303-8176. (NORMAL HEIGHTS)

**"The Beatles Experience"** performed by Rain, Thursday, March 23, 8 p.m., at Spreckels Theater (121 Broadway). Music is performed live, with no pre-recorded tapes or sequences, with "ultimate goal of delivering a perfect note-for-note performance." Tickets: \$41.50, \$48.50, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (DOWNTOWN)

**"The Music Man"** is current production for Young Actors Theater, with performances at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday through March 25; 2 p.m. matinees on Saturday, March 25. Tickets: \$12 general, \$10 seniors and children. Jean Isaacs Pavilion,

2778-D Sweetwater Springs Boulevard. 619-670-1627. (SPRING VALLEY)

**"Blue Ducks: Conversations About Cancer"** — Patricia Loughrey's new play exploring how family members communicate journey through a terminal illness has staged readings March 23 and 30 at San Diego State University's Scripps Cottage; and Tuesday, March 28, at Moores Cancer Center at UCSD. Free performances begin at 7 p.m. 619-594-2946 x3. (SDSU, LA JOLLA)

**Baseball Historian** Bill Swank and TV and radio sportscaster Bob Chandler discuss their new book, *Bob Chandler's Tales from the San Diego Padres*, Friday, March 24, 7 p.m., D.G. Wills Books (7461 Girard Avenue; 858-456-1800). Free. (LA JOLLA)

**Latin Stand-Up Comedy Show** with entertainment by Jimmy Dell Valle, Claude Stuart, and Robert Zapata, Friday, March 24, 8 p.m., at 4th & B (345 B Street). Reservations: 619-231-4343. (DOWNTOWN)

**"Save Those Necco Wafers,"** this "traditional audience-participation melodrama" is presented March 24-April 8 at North Park Vaudeville and Candy Shoppe (2031 El Cajon Boulevard). Will the villain take over the candy shop? Will Goodheart save the day? Find out at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. on Sundays. Admission: \$12, \$14, free for "folks over 100 years." 619-647-4958. (NORTH PARK)

**"A Musical Montage"** is presented by three ensembles of North Coast Singers, Friday, March 24, 7:30 p.m., at Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Diego (1036 Solana Drive). Program includes folk, classical, musical theater, jazz. Donation: \$10. 858-755-9225. (SOLANA BEACH)

**Victoria Vox and the Moonlight Beach Ukulele Strummers** take stage on Friday, March 24, 7 p.m., at Museum of Making Music (5790 Armada Drive). \$10. 760-438-5996. (CARLSBAD)

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**Jazz Pianist** Mark Freundt in concert, Saturday, March 25, 7:30 p.m., at First Unitarian Universalist Church (4190 Front Street). \$5. 619-298-4580. (HILLCREST)

**"Retirement: Wise and Witty Advice** for Making It the Next Great Adventure" signed, discussed by author Natasha Josefowitz, Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (10755 Westview Parkway; 858-684-3166). Free. (MIRA MESA)

**San Diego City Guard Band** in concert, Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m., in Plaza at Old Town State Historic Park. Free. 619-239-7317. (OLD TOWN STATE PARK)

**"The Poet's Masque: Rhythms and Raptures** for the 21st Century" is theme for 13th annual Border Voices Poetry Fair, Saturday, March 25, in Montezuma Hall at San Diego State University. Chicano poet Luis Rodriguez, Dana Gioia, Sharon Olds, and Ken Waldman ("Alaska's fiddlin' poet") featured at event; student readings and awards. Free. 619-293-2546. (SDSU)

**Bluegrass by the Lake,** Silverado plans concert Sunday, March 26, 2 p.m., at Lake San Marcos Resort Pavilion (1025 La Bonita Drive). \$10. 760-591-4231. (SAN MARCOS)

**The Brubeck Brothers Quartet** plays music by their father, jazz pianist/composer Dave Brubeck, and their own contemporary compositions, Sunday, March 26, 5 p.m., at Quail Botanical Gardens (230 Quail Gardens Drive). \$35. 760-436-3036. (ENCINITAS)

**The Role and Place of Mary** in Anglican spirituality explored by Reverend Penelope Duckworth in *Mary: The Imagination of Her Heart*, which she'll discuss Sunday, March 26, 12:15 p.m., at Saint Paul's Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Book available for purchase. 619-298-7261. (MIDTOWN)

**U.S. Navy Band Southwest Woodwind Quintet** performs

# ROAM-O-RAMA

## A GUIDE TO UNEXPECTED SAN DIEGO AND BEYOND | BY JERRY SCHAD

The Bell View Regional Trail, for hikers, equestrians, and cyclists, starts as a "community trail" threading through the suburban-edge communities of Rancho Santa Margarita and Coto de Caza. It then assumes a wilder character as it undulates along a ridge, ultimately reaching Caspers Wilderness Park (on Ortega Highway, eight miles east of San Juan Capistrano). For mountain bikers, the out-and-back distance of 17-plus miles seems reasonable. Hikers, however, will better enjoy the journey as an 8.5-mile point-to-point hike facilitated by a willing driver-friend. Arrange to have your friend drop you off at the start, the north gate for the private Coto de Caza housing development, and pick you up at the finish, at Caspers Park's main trailhead — the historic windmill site. By car, the shortest distance between start and end points of this route is about 15 miles by way of Antonio Parkway and Ortega Highway. A recent street map covering southern Orange County is most helpful for navigational planning.

You begin hiking or riding on Dove Canyon Drive, just east of Plano Trabuco Road and the Coto de Caza gate. There's limited curbside parking on Dove Canyon Drive; carefully observe the somewhat ambiguous "no parking" signs if you're going to leave a car there. The Bell View Trail begins on a paved service road just east of a faux waterfall, which is part of the Dove Canyon housing development entrance. Head south up a short, steep hill on the service road, and then veer right on the decomposed-granite path designated the Bell View Trail. You climb toward a broad ridge, with Coto de Caza houses stretching miles ahead down the valley on your right, and the Dove Canyon subdivision and golf course to your left (east).

After two miles of unexciting travel, you descend past the last of the Dove Canyon housing and pick up an old ridge-running dirt road. At 2.6 miles you pass an equestrian rest area with a drinking fountain and picnic tables. Continue south, on or near the top of the ridge, occasionally going steeply up or down. The Coto de Caza development continues on the right side, while the empty Bell Canyon drainage and the distant, brooding crest of the Santa Ana Mountains lie on the left.

At 3.8 miles you reach a gate. Go around it and bear left to stay on the Bell View Trail. At 5.2 miles there's a bench with a view down into Bell Canyon. Why the name "Bell"? An eight-ton granitic boulder, scored with mazelike petroglyphs, once lay precariously balanced on smaller rocks down there. When struck with great force, the boulder resonated like a bell, audible a mile away.


Just ahead of the resting bench, a sign announces your arrival at Caspers Wilderness Park. Continue 2.2 miles down the ridge-running road (now called the West Ridge Trail) to a junction with Star Rise, a fire road descending east into Bell Canyon. Make a left, descend to the bottom, and make a right on Oak Trail. Continue for a short mile on the delightfully woodsy Oak Trail, which meanders through oak and sycamore woodland on the west bank of Bell Canyon, heading toward the historic windmill. (Note for mountain bikers: you must stay off of the hikers-only Oak Trail and remain on Star Rise until you reach Bell Canyon Trail, which leads south to the windmill.)

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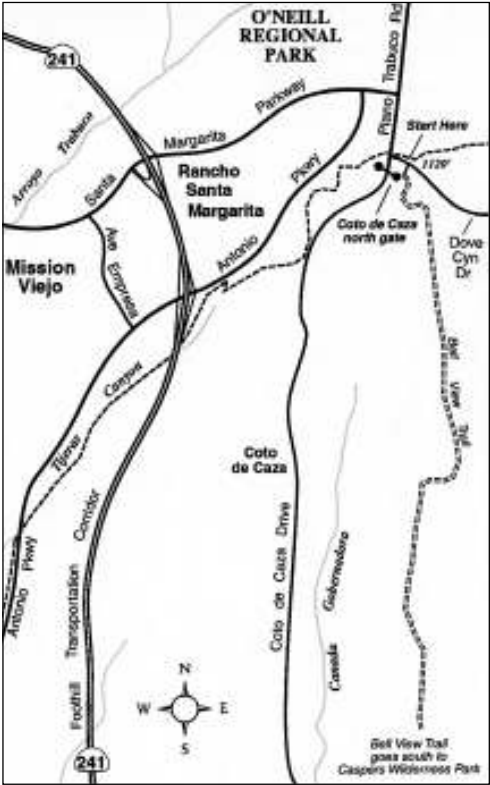
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**Singing for a Cause,** series continues with A.J. Peacock, Andrea Reschke, Ben Henry, and Heather Baker on Sunday, March 26, 4-7 p.m., at Metaphor Cafe (258

East Second Avenue). Tickets: \$3, benefiting Ten Points Coalition. 760-747-1882. (ESCONDIDO)

**Performance Artist, Writer, Poet** David Mura presents read-

ing, Monday, March 27, for Hugh C. Hyde Living Writers Series. Mura's books include *After We Lost Our Way*, *The Colors of Desire: Poems*, more. Reading be-

gins at 7 p.m. in room 2203 of Malcolm A. Love Library at San Diego State University. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

**Origins of Bluegrass in America** discussed and demonstrated by Bluegrass Society, performing for mini-concert at noon on Monday, March 27, in Lyceum Theatre at Horton Plaza. Bring lunch! 858-454-5872. Free. (DOWNTOWN)

**Watch, Judge, or Slam!** San Diego Poetry Slam, Monday, March 27, at Voz Alta (1544 Broadway). Signups for poets at 8 p.m., slamming 8:30 p.m. Free for spectators, \$5 for competitors. 619-239-3872. (EAST VILLAGE)

**"Extraordinary Rendition: The Outsourcing of Torture"** — dramatic reading of satiric play *The Sort of Happy Ending to the Sad Tale of Mr. Ali Ali, or: The Lighter Side of Outsourcing Terror*, Monday, March 27, 7 p.m., at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice (at University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park). Stick around for post-performance discussion with playwright Craig Abernethy and two professors. Free. 619-223-8074. (LINDA VISTA)

**Poets "Old and New"** beckoned to open-mike poetry night, Monday, March 27, 8 p.m., at Twigg's Tea and Coffee (4590 Park Boulevard). Free. 619-296-0616. (UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS)

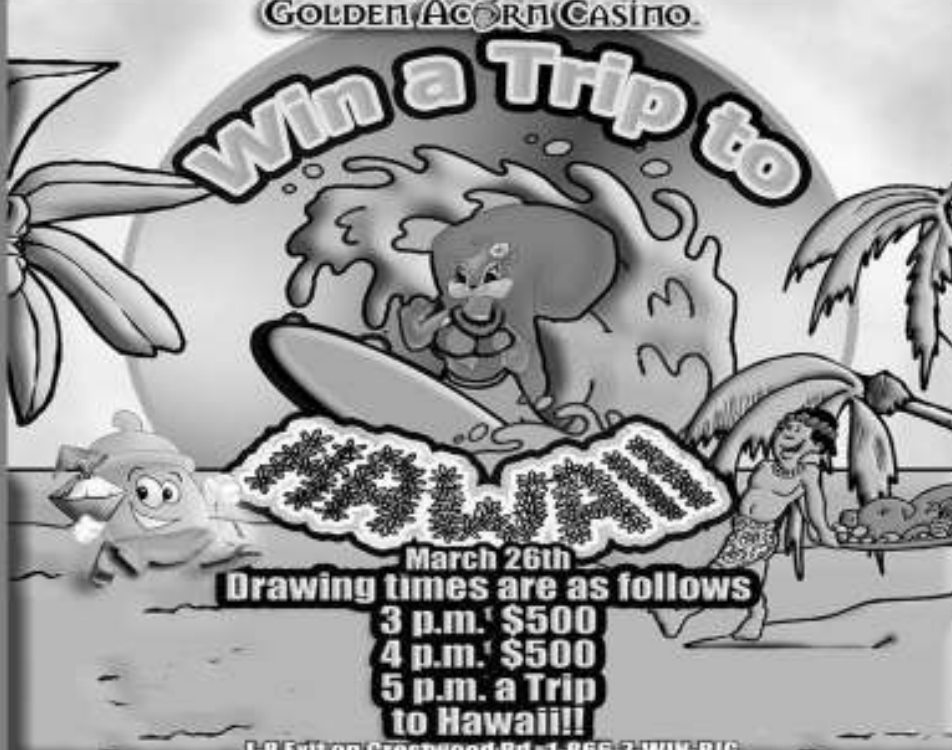
**Cookbook Author** and chef John Q. Humphries talks about his book, *The Ramos House Cafe*, and his work and life at the restaurant in San Juan Capistrano, Tuesday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., at Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue; 858-454-0347). Free. (LA JOLLA)

**Local Author** Blayne Colmore, writer-in-residence at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, signs and reads excerpts from his latest book, *God Knows: It's Not About Us*, Tuesday, March 28, 3 p.m., at Museum of Contemporary Art San Diego, La Jolla (700 Prospect Street). Free. 858-454-3541. (LA JOLLA)

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## LOCAL EVENTS

Tuesday, March 28, 8 p.m., at Rosie and Joe's Grill and Cantina (7986 Armour Street). Cover: \$5. 858-550-8088. (KEARNY MESA)

**Florida Suspense Author** Randy Wayne White signs, discusses new novel, *Dark Light*, Tuesday, March 28, 7 p.m., at Mysterious Galaxy Books (7051 Clairemont Mesa Boulevard). Free. 858-268-4747. (CLAIREMONT)

**The Burping Bedposts**, a.k.a. the Geisel Library Bassoon Quartet, performs "favorite bassoon chamber pulled directly from the music stacks" of Geisel Library at UCSD, Wednesday, March 29, 4 p.m. Refreshments served. Free. 858-534-8074. (LA JOLLA)

**Exit from Exile**, show benefiting San Diego Friends of Tibet with performances by Irradio, Valley Arena, KneeHighs, Unsteady, Jane Lui — Wednesday, March 29, 8:30 p.m., at Casbah (2501 Kettner Boulevard). \$10. 619-232-4355. (MIDDLETOWN)

**"Ultra Marathon Man:** Confessions of an All-Night Runner" signed, discussed by Dean Karnazes, Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m., Borders Books and Music (11160 Rancho Carmel Drive). Free. 858-618-1814. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN)

**What Defines a Fearless Woman?** Author Nancy Alspaugh and photographer Mary Ann Halpin launch their new book, *Fearless Women*, with panel discus-

sion including Christy Guerin, Rebecca De La Torre, Natori Moore, Angie Bunch, and B.J. Gallagher, Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m., at Barnes and Noble Bookstore (1040 North El Camino Real). Free. 760-943-6400. (ENCINITAS)

**Classic Reading Series** continues with Lope de la Vega's *Fuente Ovejuna*, Thursday, March 30, 7:30 p.m., at 6th@Penn Theatre (3704 Sixth Avenue). Donation: \$10. Reservations: 619-688-9210. (HILLCREST)

**"Mad Hot Cabaret Preview,"** selections from upcoming production on offer, Thursday, March 30, 12:30 p.m., during Concert Hour series in Palomar College Performance Lab (room D-10 at 1140 West Mission Road). Free. 760-744-1150 x2316. (SAN MARCOS)

**The Unbreakable Bond between Parents and Children** and "repercussions of trying to play God" probed by Jodi Picoult in *The Tenth Circle*. Picoult visits Warwick's Bookstore (7812 Girard Avenue) to discuss and sign her newest book, Thursday, March 30, 7:30 p.m. Free. 858-454-0347. (LA JOLLA)

## SPORTS

**Palms Classic Horse Show** continues through Sunday, March 26, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Hours: 8 a.m.–6 p.m. Thursday and Sunday, 8 a.m.–10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Admission free all days except Saturday, when tickets are \$10, \$15 general. 949-496-4064. (DEL MAR)

**The Long Beach Ice Dogs** are in town for ice hockey against San Diego Gulls on Friday, March 24,

# Poetry

## TWO POEMS BY DAVID LEHMAN

### April 3

I like movies like dreams that jumble the order of events there is no past in a dream everything is happening now so you can be married and divorced and still be the boy whose father took him to see *How to Succeed in Business Without Really Trying* with Michele Lee as Rosemary in 1965 two years later I was reviewing plays for the Columbia Spectator it's fun to write about something you know nothing about like *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead* I forget what was wrong with it but something was that's what criticism is "all about" plus a few remarks about parody, chance, and the absurd, just as poetry is "all about" time which equals love times death squared

### April 20

"You despise me, Rick, don't you," says Peter Lorre, imitating a New York literary hack who writes articles arguing that great literature is boring "I probably would if I gave you any thought," Rick says while Ingrid Bergman in her wide floppy sunhat confers with the presidents of Intel ("only the paranoid survive") and Egypt, and the silence in the Casbah is broken by a pair of slapstick stumblebums We are the men God forgot, the skinny one says and his fat sidekick conks him on the head Yes God hates those who hate themselves The crazy Russian bartender has written a novel A German electrician in search of his own double finds him, kills him, plants his wallet on him then electrocutes his own wife Now he can disappear in the Black Forest It's a perfect crime except for one thing The man he killed looks nothing like him



David Lehman

— David Lehman

7:30 p.m.; Gulls host Phoenix Roadrunners, Saturday, March 25, 7:05 p.m., at iPayOne Center. Tickets: \$12–\$25, available through Ticketmaster (619-220-TIXS). (SPORTS ARENA)

**To the Lighthouse**, join Bicycle Touring Society riders for adventures via Coronado ferry and Point Loma lighthouse on Saturday, March 25. Flat, 47-mile ride starts at 8:45 a.m. at J Street boat launch parking lot (I-5 to J Street). Free. 619-255-4194. (CHULA VISTA)

**Order Pie Atop Palomar Mountain** after bicycling up with Knickerbikers riders on Saturday, March 25. The 28-miler starts at 9:30 a.m. at restaurant at base of mountain (opposite Lake Henshaw). Bring money for food. 858-481-8278. (PALOMAR MOUNTAIN)

**Two Bicycle Rides** are offered every Saturday, rain or shine, starting at 8:30 a.m. in northwestern parking lot at La Jolla Village Square/UC Cyclery. Select from race-training 45-mile ride, slower

35-mile ride with experienced leader. Helmets mandatory. Free. 858-495-2454. (LA JOLLA)

**San Diego Siege** professional women's basketball team plays final game of regular season, Saturday, March 25, 7 p.m., against San Francisco Legacy, in Harry West Gymnasium at San Diego City College (1313 Park Boulevard). Tickets: \$10 general, \$7 students. 619-398-8399. (DOWNTOWN)

**Tough Enough?** SoCal Scorpions hold open tryouts for their

Women's Professional Football League team, Saturday, March 25, 8 a.m.–noon, at Salvation Army Kroc Community Center (6845 University Avenue). Fee: \$50 in advance, \$75 at gate. 858-453-6424. (ROLANDO)

**Kayak El Capitan** during excursion led by San Diego Natural History Museum, Saturday, March 25, 9 a.m. Reservoir is nesting site for spotted sandpipers, willow flycatchers, great egrets. Fees: \$65 for adults, \$20 per child 6–12 in double kayak with parent. Reservations: 619-255-0203. (EAST COUNTY)

**San Diego Race for Autism**, Saturday, March 25, at Sixth Avenue and Laurel Street. Registration starts at 7 a.m.; 5k run at 8 a.m., 5k walk at 8:35 a.m., one-mile family walk 9 a.m. 858-679-8800. (BALBOA PARK)

**Elfin Forest to Lake Hodges** ride with Sierra Club, Sunday, March 26. Thirty-mile peppy ride over moderate hills starts at 9 a.m. in parking lot at Harvest Ranch shopping center (Rancho Santa Fe Road at Encinitas Boulevard). Bring money for brunch at Hernandez' Hideaway. 858-456-7849. (ENCINITAS)

**McDonald's All-American High School Basketball Games** Wednesday, March 29, 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.; and related Powerade Jam Fest, Monday, March 27, 7 p.m., at San Diego State University. Jam fest includes slam dunk, three-point field goal accuracy, team ball competitions. Games take place in Cox Arena; jam fest is in Peterson Gym. \$15 for either event. 866-909-4263. (SDSU)

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Hours: 2-6 p.m. Thursday; 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sunday. Admission: one can of food; organizers hope to collect 40,000 pounds of food for local charities. 619-235-4100. (DOWNTOWN)

**Audre Lord Day** celebrated Thursday, March 23, 7:30 p.m., at World Beat Center (2100 Park Boulevard). Lecture by Pat Washington, music by Women's World Beat Jazz Ensemble, poetry, film presentation. Free. 619-230-1190. (BALBOA PARK)

**Water for Life**, fundraiser presented by United Nations Association, Thursday, March 23, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., at On Broadway Event Center (615 Broadway). Surf films by Poor Specimen, live music by the White Buffalo, Lady Dottie and the Diamonds, Spoken Gun; DJs, art exhibit and sale. \$25. 619-233-3970. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**International Alpaca Odyssey** runs March 24-26 at Del Mar Fairgrounds. Competition in this "intense, competitive halter show" is 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Vendors of alpaca-related products, fiber arts demonstrations, seminars. Free. 858-793-5555. (DEL MAR)

**Country Club Classic Dog Show**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday-Sunday, March 24-26, at Del Mar Fairgrounds. 619-532-5045. (DEL MAR)

**Lemon Grove's Landmark 1931 School Desegregation Case** is commemorated by Lemon Grove Historical Society, Friday, March 24, 7 p.m., at H. Lee House Cultural Center (3205 Olive Street). Program includes five middle-school students who will perform their original play about case; lecture on enduring significance and historical context of case by son of lead plaintiff; and Paraguayan harp music by Jose Smith, descendant of an original plaintiff family. \$5. 619-460-4353. (LEMON GROVE)

**Belgian Beer Bonanza**, annual 12-hour Belgian beer party, Saturday, March 25, 11 a.m.-11 p.m., at Pizza Port (571 Carlsbad Village Drive). More than 50 different Belgian and Belgian-style beers on draft and in bottles. Fee: \$25, includes glass and five four-ounce tastes; pay \$1 per additional sample. 760-720-7007. (CARLSBAD)

**Book Sale**, Saturday, March 25, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at Lemon Grove Library (8073 Broadway). 619-463-9819. (LEMON GROVE)

**Confections on Parade**, San Diego Cake Club presents annual show, Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26, at La Jolla Village Square. Cakes created by amateurs and professionals on exhibit, sugar craft demonstrations,

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# Reading

## American Movie Critics: An Anthology from the Silents Until Now



Phillip Lopate

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### FROM THE DUST JACKET:

*American Movie Critics* is an anthology of unparalleled scope that charts the rise of movies as art, industry, and mass entertainment. From the start a provocative and dynamic force in American culture, movies have been for generations of American writers an engrossing and challenging subject. How they rose to that challenge, and in the process created an extraordinary body of critical writing — passionate, contentious, restlessly curious — makes

for a dazzling and constantly entertaining volume. “I have focused,” writes editor Phillip Lopate, “on film criticism as an art in itself — the magnet for strong, elegant, eloquent, enjoyable writing.”

### A CONVERSATION WITH THE AUTHOR:

Editor, essayist, novelist, teacher, and poet Phillip Lopate was born in New York City in 1943. He received his BA from Columbia University and

his Ph.D. from Union Graduate School. On the afternoon that we talked, Mr. Lopate, who grew up in Manhattan in an era when children came and went with little adult supervision, said, “I was an inveterate moviegoer when I was a kid, and we saw everything, once a week, Saturday afternoon. Those were the days when they used to try to entice people by giving away dishes. I never won any contests, but I certainly saw double bills, plus eight cartoons, plus featurettes, plus coming attractions. It’s amazing, the capacity to sit through all that. But I think that the way you develop a taste is through immersion in good, bad, and indifferent.”

“We post-World War II pre-pubescent moviegoers,” I said, “certainly did not suffer from attention deficit disorder.”

“No, nothing like that. If there was, it happened in school, but not in the movies. It’s funny, because when I was in college, I was movie mad. All my friends who were similarly inclined have dropped away from movies. They’ve gone on to the opera or

ballet or nothing. I still see two or three movies a week. I’m on the New York Film Festival Selection Committee, so there are times when I see 50 movies a week. I go to the Cannes Film Festival, and every day I see at least four movies.”

“When you go to movies, for recreation, do you go alone or do you go with your family?”

“Today I went to see *Munich*, and I went alone. It depends if my family is in town. I tend to have a skewed movie habit. I often see very esoteric foreign films, but since I have an 11-year-old daughter, I also see all the kids’ releases. They’re problematic...it was easier when she was younger, but now that she’s 11, she’s at the age where made-for-kids movies are too childish. So we take her to some of the PG-13s, and they’re pushing the envelope a bit.”

We talked about movies we saw as children. I noted that I seemed to remember, in movie theaters, “tremendous darkness.”

“Yes, yes. Movies were darker then. There wasn’t this ambient light that they have now. I remember

when I was a kid, I liked action in movies, and I couldn’t stand the set-ups — when you got to meet the characters and the atmosphere was established. I just wanted the tomahawk to fly through the air.

“Now, it’s the reverse. I often like the first half of a movie because I’m still in the dark and I’m not quite sure; it’s still capable of surprises. And, then, often in the last third, it becomes completely clichéd when they realize, ‘Oh, my gosh, we have to make something happen.’ So they often make something trite and melodramatic happen.”

“What, as a child, were your favorite movies and stars?”

“I remember this absurd period of the biblical epics, when I saw *Samson and Delilah* and Westerns. For some reason, I was very impressed by Veronica Lake.”

“Me too. I loved those bangs.”

“Yeah, the hair fascinated me. But, anyway, the habit persisted. What can I say?”

“What do you think the effect of our ability to watch films in our home has had on film-viewing?”

“Certainly, it’s made a dream come true. When I was a teenager and movie mad, I used to fantasize having my own library of films. I fantasized becoming elected President of the United States just so I could have these command performances of films in the basement of the White House. The idea of having something that you could look at, at any point, and be able to study is wonderful. I’ve done some film essays for Criterion. Criterion has these beautiful DVDs and sometimes they pay me in product and sometimes they pay me in money. But, in any case, I’ve amassed a small collection of classics.

“Some only bear one viewing, and some you want to return to again and again. But I love the clarity. DVDs are much clearer than videotapes. I saw a DVD of Michelangelo Antonioni’s *L’Avventura*, for instance, and it was cleaner than I’d ever seen it since it opened. It really brought me back to that pristine state when it was first showing in theaters. Because what happens is that we

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cupcake corner, cakes for sale. Admission: free. (LA JOLLA)

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**The 17th Annual Juried Circle of Art** show and sale is March 25 and 26, at Christmas Circle in Borrego Springs. Show features art by professional artists and artisans working in a variety of media. Free. Show opens at 9 a.m. both mornings, closes at 5 p.m. on Saturday, 3:30 p.m. on Sunday. 760-767-0042. (BORREGO SPRINGS)

**Taka Sumi-E Society** offers annual art exhibition, Saturday and Sunday, March 25 and 26, 11 a.m.–4 p.m., in room 101 of Casa del Prado. Tea ceremony and Japanese brush painting demonstrations, fashion show with wear-

able art, Japanese dancing and music. Free. 619-255-2501. (BALBOA PARK)

**House of Iran** presents songs and dances for lawn program at International Cottages, Sunday, March 26, 2 p.m. Free. 619-234-0739. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Between Two Worlds: Stories of Estrangement** and Homecoming” provide theme for scholar-led, theme-based discussions exploring contemporary and classic Jewish literature. Examine *Mr. Sammler’s Planet* by Saul Bellow with Ben Siegel, Sunday, March 26, 1–3 p.m., in 201 West Commons at San Diego State University. Free. Registration: 858-694-2484. (SDSU)

**Rolando Street Fair**, Sunday, March 26, 10 a.m.–6 p.m., on Rolando Boulevard and 6500 block of El Cajon Boulevard. Live music, vendors, children’s activities. Admission: free. 619-583-7321. (ROLANDO)

**Carnival of Cultures** hosted by City of San Marcos, Sunday, March 26, 10 a.m.–5 p.m., at San

Marcos Civic Center (3 Civic Center Drive). International displays, arts and crafts, music, storytelling, singers, more. Free admission. 760-744-9000. (SAN MARCOS)

**“Can We Survive Without Mexico?** Understanding the Guest Worker Program” is goal, Wednesday, March 29, 7 p.m., at Living Room Coffeehouse (1417 University Avenue). Free. 619-295-7911. (HILLCREST)

**An Israeli Celebration** is promised for Tower After Hours series at San Diego Museum of Man on Thursday, March 30, 6 p.m. \$20 fee includes food and drink, traditional music and dance performances. Reservations: 619-239-2001. (BALBOA PARK)

**“Clara Breed** — 100th Anniversary,” exhibition celebrates librarian who worked to help interned Japanese-Americans during World War II and publicly criticized injustice of camps. On display through March at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-236-5800. (DOWNTOWN)

**“The Art Linkletter Collection”** is on view through Friday, September 8, in donor corridor of San Diego State University’s Love Library (5500

Campanile Drive). The “media legend” and SDSU alumnus recently donated his archives to SDSU, including television scripts, scrapbooks, photographs, many more items. Free. 619-594-4991. (SDSU)

## FOR KIDS

**“The Really Hot Jungle Show”** presented by Puppet Express through March 26 in Marie Hitchcock Puppet Theatre. Weaver’s Tales perform *Rumplestiltskin*, March 29–April 2.

Show hours: 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)

**Kids! Music! Animals!** Benjamin Britten’s “church opera” entitled “Noye’s Fludde (Noah’s Flood)” is presented March 24 and 25 at Saint Paul’s Cathedral (2728 Sixth Avenue). Professionals, amateurs, and audience members collaborate in performances. Concerts begin at 7 p.m. on Friday, 3 p.m. on Saturday. Requested do-

nation: \$15 general, free for those under 16. 619-298-7261. (MIDTOWN)

**“The Wizard of Oz”** presented by San Diego Children’s Theatre, March 24–26, in theater at Mission Hills United Church (4070 Jackdaw Street). Performances begin at 7 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, at 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$9 at door. 619-920-2838. (MISSION HILLS)

**“Robin Hood”** presented by Missoula Children’s Theatre and 50 local children, Saturday, March 25, at Poway Center for Performing Arts (15498 Espola Road). Musical is presented at 3 and 7 p.m. Tickets: \$15 general, \$5 for those 18 and younger. 858-748-0505. (POWAY)

**Learn About Hospital Point Beach Critters** when Birch Aquarium hosts Tidepooling for Tots led by aquarium naturalist, Tuesday, March 28, 1:30 p.m. Fee: \$12 per adult, \$9 per child (3–5 years old). Required reservations: 858-534-7336. (LA JOLLA)

## MUSEUMS

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

**Bancroft Ranch House Museum** houses indigenous Indian artifacts

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

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

**California Surf Museum**, “The Surfer-Shapers,” on exhibit through 2006, showcases several surfers whose conceptual abilities and crafting talent radically altered surfboard design. The search has always been for lighter, faster, more maneuverable boards, from Duke Kahanamoku in early 1900s to Tom Blake in 1920s to Simon Anderson in early 1980s.

The museum features surfing artifacts and memorabilia — such as surfboards and clothing — of local legends Phil Edwards, John “L.J.” Richards, and Peter Johnson, and Duke Kahanamoku. The museum is located at 223 North Coast Highway; 760-721-6876. (OCEANSIDE)

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"What do you think the difference is in the aesthetic experience when you see a DVD in the darkness of your bedroom, as I do, and when you view the film in a theater?"

"When you see it in a movie theater, you often have nuisances. I wrote in a piece called 'Confessions of a Shusher' that I always try to police the theater and get people to stop talking. But I like the feeling of the surround and other people's responses, and close up of lips that are ten feet.

"Sometimes you see a film on TV and it doesn't look like

much, and then you see it in the theater and it's interesting; especially intimate films do better on a large screen. You'd think it was the opposite, that films full of spectacle need the large screen. But, actually, sometimes films that are intimate are too small and they really need a larger projection of life. So, whenever possible I see them in the theater. Sometimes I review films and the publicist says, 'We don't want to give you a DVD; we don't want to give you a video. We want you to see it on the screen.' And you'll say, 'Well, I can't, so just send me the damn DVD, I will make compensations in my own mind.' I'll give 20 percent compensation, knowing that it would be more spectacular in a theater."

With DVDs, said Mr. Lopate, "now you can see everything — we're almost at the point where you have access to all the wonderful films of the past. I dream of the day when you can punch in a title and order up something. Now films are in the theater six weeks or six months, but you can't order up the treasures of the library. That would be great."

I never had been much of a moviegoer. When I grew past dating age, married, and had children, I had neither time nor money. I have begun, however, to rent

DVDs and see films about which I'd only read. Recently I had seen *End of an Affair* on DVD. I said to Mr. Lopate that, watching this, I realized I had never seen people have sex in movies.

"Right, well they're certainly having a lot of it now, yes."

"But it doesn't look to me like real sex — it's stylized and tidy. No one seems hairy and brutish. No one grunts."

"No, it never is like real sex. It really isn't. It's strange how they anatomize sex. They don't really know how to deal with it. To me, a good sex scene is a scene that tells me something about the psychology of the characters. Very often every scene will tell you something about the psychology of the characters until the sex scene, and then it becomes a kind of abstraction. Almost like a musical interlude."

"In *End of an Affair*, the erotic scenes seemed choreographed. I felt I was watching *Swan Lake*."

"Exactly. It's not the way I experience sex."

We changed the subject. I said, "You write about the difference between a 'film critic' and a 'film reviewer.'"

"Well, I tend to be skeptical that there's much difference between a film critic and a film

reviewer. This is a snobbish distinction that some people make a lot of. I think there's good film writing and bad film writing. And sometimes a film reviewer, for a newspaper, say, in 600 words, can really do a beautiful job of analyzing the soul of a film. And sometimes somebody can go on for 30 pages and you feel like you haven't come close to it yet.

"This difference used to be partly a matter of periodical venues — reviewers would weigh in immediately, and then critics could respond to the initial critical take and have the last word. They could write for literary magazines and periodicals and it was a more high-toned affair.

"Nowadays there are fewer venues for serious film criticism. But, of course, there's still room for reviewing. Some reviewing is like a consumer guide, thumbs up, thumbs down, and is pretty shallow. But I don't think that there's anything inherent in film reviewing that precludes depth. And I don't think there's anything inherent in writing for an intellectual quarterly that is necessarily going to produce good film criticism.

"One thing that's changed is that film criticism used to be a field for generalists. So someone like Edmund Wilson would put his two cents in about Chaplin,

**"I don't think there's anything inherent in writing for an intellectual quarterly that is necessarily going to produce good film criticism."**

and Paul Goodman, for instance, would write about D.W. Griffith.

"But now, in a way, what's happened is that, with the growth of film scholarship and film studies programs, writing about film is polarized between a kind of pop vernacular and a kind of academic discourse. There isn't as much room in the middle for educated writing for the common reader or the common moviegoer.

"So many films are being released now because people can make them on digital cameras and then they sometimes release them just for two days and put them into DVD or video. So it drives movie reviewers nuts now because there's too much product out there."

"I like how you speak of film

as 'product.'"

"Well, there's always been that tension between film as commerce and film as art, and it's often put the movie critic on the spot. Because should the movie reviewer pretend that every film he sees is a work of art, and therefore, most turn out to be sad works of art, or should a movie reviewer be more practical and say that a particular film, most of the films that are shown, never intended to be works of art? The real thing they were trying to do is get people to pass their time in a fairly pleasant, comatose state."

"More like TV."

"I think there are still good films being made. By the end of each year, I total up films that

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**Chula Vista Nature Center**, an interactive living museum devoted to the endangered Southern California coastal wetlands, located in Sweetwater Marsh National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors can use a Bioscanner to view animals macroscopically, use a Wentzscope for views of microscopic organisms found in the "Sweetwater Soup," and interact with computerized videos exploring how tides affect the bay in the "Moons, Tides, and the San Diego Bay" exhibit. Pet sharks and rays in the David A. Wergeland Shark and Ray Experience, see burrowing owls and migratory birds, and enjoy the xerophytic gardens.

Visitors meet a shuttle bus at the Bayfront E Street Trolley Station or at the center's parking lot at the foot of E Street and Bay Boulevard. 619-409-5903. (CHULA VISTA)

**Coronado Museum of History and Art**, ongoing exhibits explore the overall history of Coronado, Navy and Army, Tent City, and the Hotel del Coronado. Find the museum at 1100 Orange Avenue. Call 619-435-7242 for further information. (CORONADO)

**Flying Leatherneck Museum**, dedicated to the Marine Corps

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

**Gaslamp Museum of Historic San Diego**, glimpse San Diego's colorful past at the museum, where displays highlight Wyatt Earp's San Diego days, the Peg Leg Gold Legend, the first maps and photographs of Old Town and "New Town," early military history, the naval disaster in 1923 at Point Honda, and more. Find the museum at 413 Market Street (between Fourth and Fifth Avenues). 619-237-1492. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

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

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

The museum features art and artifacts from South and North America, concentrating on the utilitarian and decorative artistry of crafts workers from ancient cultures. The museum also features wings dedicated to natural history, archaeology, education, anthropology, and fine art. Find the museum on the

Cuyamaca College campus, 12110 Cuyamaca College Drive West. 619-670-5194. (RANCHO SAN DIEGO)

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

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

**La Mesa Depot Museum**, located in a restored 1894 wooden train station, exhibits include original telegraph and telephone equipment, pot-bellied coal stove, period furniture. The adjacent

freight train display features 1923 steam locomotive, 1957 refrigerator car, 1941 caboose. Find the museum at La Mesa Boulevard and Spring Street. 619-465-7776. (LA MESA)

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# Reading

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I've liked. So I don't think that we're living in a bad period for film-going. I think that if there was a golden age, part of what happened was that there was a different kind of apparatus surrounding film. There were more art theaters. There were serious film magazines. Whereas now, you get good films, but there isn't the same kind of reading section, you might say."

"It seems to me the expectations of a film are altered because of what TV feeds to the eyes."

"They have altered in a way in that TV produces a shallower depth of field. And more close-ups so there's often a less inter-

esting use of space that's conditioned by TV. But then, you have directors who go against that trend and who try obstinately to do very cinematic things."

"I often think of TV as 'little movies,' as film on a small scale."

"But it's so much more domestic. You can get up, you can have a beer, you can go to the bathroom. I suppose you can go to the bathroom in a movie theater as well. It's not as magical. You don't surrender quite as much. It's more skeptical in a way. The lights are on."

Almost keening, I said, "I truly want to be enchanted. That's what I want a film to do."

Mr. Lopate laughed, and why not? "There's the question of, 'Do you make love with the lights on or the lights off?'"

I persisted. "But don't you want to be enchanted?"

"I want to be enchanted, absolutely. I still go to the movies with great hopes. It's strange that having seen so many movies that disappoint, how is it possible that one still gets excited. I like to get to a movie theater a few minutes early, so that I can feel the mood in the room. Now, of course, with film reviewers it's a different situation because they see a lot of films at screenings, and that's a very artificial situation."

"And you must take notes."  
"Partly because you take notes and partly because there is a kind of competition and also a desire to impress. Some film critics will actually shift in their chair in a certain way to signal those around them whether they think something is preposterous."

"No."  
"Yes."  
"I think that reviewing makes you so hyper-aware in a way that hyper-awareness was not meant to be called upon in a book or film or painting."

"I don't know. I think in a funny way that it's like a two-track system. On one track you're being swept up in the action, as gullible as anyone else. And, on the other track, you're thinking, 'Now why did he put the camera there, why did he cut at that moment, what's that all about, why is it lit in that funny way?' So, I don't actually think that knowing all that about technique and being sensitized to it, necessarily wrecks the illusion or takes you out of it, but it's a second thought or an afterthought."

"Also, you're going to have to go home and write about what you've seen."

"Yeah, and you can't help sometimes but be composing the

review of the movie as you're watching it."

"Do you have a good memory?"

"I have a good memory. I don't have the kind of memory that Pauline Kael had. She could remember lines of dialogue. I tend to take notes when I have to review a film. And sometimes I use a little flashlight but I find that that can be irritating to those around me so sometimes I write in the dark, and when I come home I realize that I've been writing over the same line. With luck, I'll be able to read my handwriting, but that's not always possible. Sometimes it takes a while."

"Have you noticed that the faces of 'stars' in movies have changed? They're no longer showing the smooth beauty of a Cary Grant."

"It's certainly true that you have the kind of star who's a common man, like Dustin Hoffman. And ethnic actors like Al Pacino. But don't forget that in the old days you had people like Edward G. Robinson. Wallace Beery. They were no beauties. Particularly Robinson, who was a fascinating actor. He had a strange face. But there was always something weak or vulnerable about him. Even though he was

"A lot of movie critics, whether they admit it or not, they fall in love with certain actors or actresses."

throwing his weight around, you felt he was going to be defeated in the end."

"Perhaps it was his small size."

"I suppose that's true. Cagney was little too."

"They both had the appearance of 'mama's boys.'"

"Yeah, exactly. Cagney certainly acted that role of 'mama's boy.' I don't know. I guess you still have some absolute ravishing beauties and handsome guys."

"Ralph Fiennes," I suggested, "he's very pretty."

"He's very pretty. Did you see *The Constant Gardener*? It's okay. It kind of falls apart, but he's very watchable. Some people, they just hold the screen. I think a lot of movie critics, whether they admit it or not, they fall in love with certain actors or actresses. There's a whole erotic side to going to movies. It just gets right into your fantasy list."

"What else should I ask you about your book?"

"Well, the book was something that I wanted very much to do because I'd already done two other anthologies — *The Art of the Personal Essay* and *Writing New York*. I love this idea of trying to pull together a kind of personal canon. All my life, I'd been reading movie critics, and they certainly shaped the way I look at movies. I wanted my book to have certain surprises and to push people who weren't as well known, as well as obvious choices like Agee and Farber and Pauline Kael and Andrew Sarris. It was hard to select, when somebody was a really good writer, because every single piece they wrote might be worthwhile. But I tried to take things that were characteristic. You can't put in everything — otherwise, it's too large a book."

— Judith Moore

tours of historic house and gardens. Find Magee House at 258 Beech Street; 760-434-9189. (CARLSBAD)

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

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

historical exhibits, books, photographs, and a research library are also part of the complex.

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

**San Diego Aerospace Museum**, the technological advancements made in aircraft propulsion over the last century are showcased in "100 Years of Aircraft Engines," including a functional reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer Engine; a Rolls-Royce liquid-cooled Merlin V-12 that powered the *Spitfire* and P-51 *Mustang* fighters; and a rare German Junkers *Jumo 004*, one of the world's first operational jet engines.

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

"P-51 *Mustang*" celebrates the legendary Air Force fighter used during both World War II and Ko-

rea. The museum's *Mustang* is painted in the red-tail livery of the Tuskegee Airmen, who distinguished themselves flying bomber escort and ground attack missions during World War II.

The museum offers exhibits of over 65 aircraft — including an RQ-1K Predator UAV (unmanned aerial vehicle) on indefinite loan from the National Museum of the United States Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, which "saw action over the Balkans in the late 1990s"; a replica of Spirit of St. Louis, a Fokker Scourge (or Fokker Eindecker E-III), a World War I Spad VII, flight deck of the USS *Yorktown*, and a Lockheed Blackbird spy plane — 1400 scale models, 10,000 aviation-related items, and memorabilia from Montgolfier hot-air-balloon era to Space Age, along with an International Aerospace Hall of Fame.

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

**The San Diego Aircraft Carrier Museum** onboard the decommissioned USS *Midway* is open for tours, now berthed at 910 North Harbor Drive. Exhibits include Navy jet simulators, carrier and flight deck touring, captain's sea cabin, pilot

house, navigation bridge. Admission fee includes audio guide. 619-544-9600. (DOWNTOWN)

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

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**San Diego Model Railroad Museum**, the museum celebrates American railroads with "the largest permanent operating model railroad and toy train exhibit" in North America. Four scale-model railroads of the South-

west, the "San Diego County Relief Map" exhibit, and an interactive toy train. There is a multimedia presentation on railroading, an operating railroad semaphore signal, and interpretive displays on railroads and model railroading. The museum is downstairs in the Casa de Balboa building. 619-696-0199. (BALBOA PARK)

**San Diego Natural History Museum**, "Genome: How the Secret of Life Works," continuing through April, explores the human genome, revealing the mysteries of genes, delineating the last two centuries of discovery, and unraveling implications of gene therapy for future of medical science, health care. Interactive displays, "family-friendly activities" to help visitors understand the genome's function and role in daily life.

The "Olympus BioScapes Photo Competition" exhibit continues through April. Show features photographs of scientific processes using latest technologies — live-cell imaging, fluorescent probes, more — magnified up to 2400x. Images illustrate how photography has become essential part of scientific investigation.

"Visions of the Natural World through the Lens of the Masters," running through December, is collaborative effort between museum and Ordovery Gallery, with variety of nature-based photography. Also on view and for sale: sculpture and glass.

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

Current "giant-screen films" include *Vikings: Journey to New Worlds* and *Ocean Oasis*. 619-232-3821. (BALBOA PARK)

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

**Serra Museum**, "Commemorating 75 Years: The Serra Museum" is said to "remember the events leading up to the dedication of Presidio Park and the Serra Museum" on July 16, 1929. The exhibit includes a "visit back in time to 1929."

The museum interprets the Native American, Spanish, and Mexican periods of San Diego's history and contains Spanish Colonial furnishings, art, and artifacts. It's located at the site of the West Coast's first European settlement, 2727 Presidio Drive. 619-297-3258. (PRESIDIO PARK)

**Stephen Birch Aquarium-Museum**, an aquarium and museum under one roof, the facility is a component of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography at UCSD. Look for 33 tanks containing marine life of the Pacific Northwest, the California coastline, Mexico's Sea of Cortés, and the South Pacific. One highlight is the La Jolla Kelp Tank, a two-story-high tank with giant kelp plants and nearly 30 species of local marine life. "Sea of Genes" offers visit "to the genomic frontier"; "Earthquake! Life on a Restless Planet" explores earthquakes and their impacts on life. The Lynne and Howard Robbins Shark Reef Exhibit features a 13,000-gallon shark tank with black tip, white tip, nurse, and wobbegong sharks.

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# You're Not From Around Here

*"It is the anarchy of poverty that delights me."*

One of the richest, deepest pockets of American photography is poverty. Consider Walker Evans's images of Alabama tenant farmers in the 1930s, or Dorothea Lange's pictures of Great Depression bread lines and dust bowl migrants, or the contemporary Alec Soth's photo-essay documenting lives and places along the Mississippi. Mike Smith, whose work is currently showing at the Museum of Photographic Arts, takes as his subject the rural culture of eastern Tennessee. One challenge for such a photographer is to see a people and a locale with fresh eyes. The people Smith photographs, in the land of Davy Crockett and Daniel Boone, are hardscrabble, insular folks who live stringent lives. They hunt or trap raccoons, squirrel, and bear; they fight cocks; they grow and can their foodstuffs. And their landscape — to borrow Emily Dickinson's phrase — is a "sumptuous destitution."

After graduating from the Yale School of Art, Smith (who was born in Heidelberg, Germany, in 1951) went to a teaching job at East Tennessee State University, tucked in the northeast corner of the state. Like much of southern Appalachia, the area has bumptious, all-American place-names like Frog Level, Chuckey, and Troublesome Hollow. Smith has spent 20 years scrutinizing and honoring the place where locals still affably remind him, as the title of the exhibition announces,

"You're not from around here." Like a lot of photographers, he has gypsy in his blood and spends long stretches of time wandering the roads of his region, looking for whatever waits to be found, though he's not interested in making anthro-

pological or documentary photographs. He's compelled instead by the formal values of whatever scene he turns his camera on. "My pictures," he has said,

"are about the pleasure of seeing light on surfaces and learning how to make pictures."

True enough. His images have extraordinary surface inflections; he especially loves the mysterious, accidental, pied beauties that moisture, fog, dewy air, and rain create. He admits to his attraction for "atmosphere, moisture, and diffused light" and doesn't like the stale gleam of oversaturated color preferred by many of his contemporaries. He mutes the seasonal glamour of his little patch of America and makes his pictures quietly eloquent acts of attention. Smith's compositions are tightly patterned, his surfaces keyed-down but dazzling. In *Piney Flats*, a forked dirt road cuts a soft delta beneath a hillside littered with dead trees. The fork's high road lifts our eye to the top of the scrappy hill where a few cattle graze. This apparently simple picture, with its countless finely articulated hues of green and brown, has the stilled solemnity of a devotional image, though the piety of bearing witness plays

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no role in Smith's intention. He's not trying to prove anything. "I actually have little interest in documenting or recording anything," he says in his foreword to the catalog, "at least in the sense

of fulfilling an agenda or mission." *Piney Flats* and many other of Smith's landscapes show us a worn, heavily weathered world. In one winter scene, a snowy crust trims furrows cut in an oth-

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erwise barren field. In another darkly gorgeous picture, snow falls on a slope of trees and a listing, broken-down barn; puffy flakes dapple the scraped browns of its cracked, buckling boards. Fence poles skirting the barn, though, are painted glorious carmines and greens and yellows, like a spiky dream of spring amidst winter's fatigue.

Because he depends on the kindness of strangers who allow him to hang around to take pictures of them, their land and houses, Smith has caught scenes that are stranger than strange. The face of a doll hanging from a string in an icy window, arms outspread in a gesture of appeal, has melted and caved in on itself; the doll's tattered nightshirt bears the message: "Grandma Spoils Me Rotten." This is a found, not arranged, image. Smith finds even weirder things in his wanderings: a power-line pole draped with animal skulls, antlers, dolls' bodies (scorched, nude, contorted), animal spines, toy trucks and helicopters, plus whirligigs and propellers. The pole looks like a fetish display or altar decoration where backcountry demiurges are appeased. In fact, the people Smith photographs are devout, often Fundamentalist, Christians. Those power pole decorations may be imbued with meaning, or they may just be fanciful communal ornamentation, but the densely clustered religious pictures hanging in households testify to true religiosity, to the way the spiritual life is externalized in objects we choose to live with.

Some of Smith's pictures remind me of a line in a poem by William Carlos Williams: "It is the anarchy of poverty that delights me." Nearly every



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structure looks broken-down, abandoned, or dismantled, weeping rust and grime. But the inventiveness found amidst such paucity can be shockingly dignified, almost noble. A broken air conditioner, gas can, ice cooler, and other debris lie scattered on a tumbledown wooden "veranda" in front of a banged-up trailer; at the center stands a chair concocted out of a cable-spool base, plywood back, and 2x8s as arms — it's a kind of throne, painted red, for royalty. Interiors have their anarchy, too, as in a shot of an oilcloth-covered dining table on which lie a stuffed raccoon, a bowl of fresh fruit, a mounted bear's head, and Wonder bread. Then there's the anarchy of cars. An old Chevy, abandoned in a stubbly field of broken saplings and twigs, looks like a humiliated thing hiding its head in the overgrown brush. In a melancholy autumnal wood, a dozen or so abandoned cars, arranged every which way, darken into the soil, nearly covered by throw-carpeted leaves: in the foreground, right under our noses, a few sere leaves still cling bravely to their twiggy boughs. In yet another image, a russet-feathered rooster stands on a heap of torn tar paper, junked barn wood, rubber matting and carpets; the doghouse in the background looks as ramshackle as the

shacks we see in other pictures. Smith's camera doesn't colonize or appropriate the places it visits, it simply takes (formally formidable) notice: dolls' heads on lawn stakes; coon tails and paws nailed to barn walls; a wigless, blue-eyed, full-length manikin in a field looks in wonderment skyward.

Smith's portraits are coolly respectful of his subjects. One, a kind of double-portrait, depicts a guy holding his prize fighting cock, whose vermilion and sapphire plumage flares out from the harmonious but more smudged palette of colors surrounding it. The shot that stopped me cold, though, shows a girl whose age is determinable only because of her pudgy, undeveloped body. Her face, topped by a mass of flyaway ringlets just barely tamed by a ribbon, is unsettling. She's sexualized, certainly, pouting into the camera as she does. But we can also see a much older woman in her face, the kind who turn up in other of Smith's pictures, and the trailer in the background pushes her ambiguous presence toward us. She's the only portrait subject who is playing with the camera that's observing her. She's vulnerable, teasing, suspicious, and sexy-eyed. Yet she's just a kid. ■

## ART LISTINGS

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## GALLERIES

**"Assembly of the Wondrous Head,"** exhibit of "unique ceramic forms" evoking human head by Gail Schneider is on view through Tuesday, April 25, in San Diego Mesa College Art Gallery (D-104). Reception for artist: Thursday, March 23, 5 p.m. Find campus at 7250 Mesa College Drive. Gallery talk with artist, Wednesday, April 19, noon. 619-388-2829. (KEARNY MESA)

**"Looking Through the Glass,"** artist Alex Sample "releases" his style of reverse-painting on Plexi-

glas during exhibit opening with reception, Friday, March 24, 6 p.m., in Brokers Building Gallery (402 Market Street). 619-997-5839. Through Sunday, March 26. (GASLAMP QUARTER)

**"Portraits of Winners and Victories,"** Clay West's MFA thesis exhibit is on view March 24–31 in Everett Gee Jackson Gallery at San Diego State University. Reception for West is Saturday, March 25, 6 p.m. 619-594-6511. (SDSU)

**The Spring Exhibition** juried group exhibit of fine art by local artists at Artisan Collection (3852 Fourth Avenue, suite A) opens with reception, Saturday, March 25, 3 p.m. 619-294-7089. Through May. (HILLCREST)

**Contemporary Floral Paintings** by Victoria Montesinos go on exhibit with reception, Saturday, March 25, 6 p.m., at Fingerhut Gallery (1205 Prospect Street). Through Saturday, April 15. RSVP for reception: 858-456-9900. (LA JOLLA)

**Artists** Nadine Baurin and Sandra Haasis will be on hand for reception and open house, Saturday, March 25, 2 p.m., at Red Door Fine Art Gallery (90 D North Highway 101). 760-214-4795. (ENCINITAS)

**"Destinations,"** exhibition of photography by Andrew Printer and Ame Curtiss, sculpture by Ashley Blalock, opens with reception on Saturday, March 25, 6 p.m., at Rogerlewisking Gallery (3603 Fourth Avenue). 619-578-2287. Through Wednesday, April 19. (HILLCREST)

**"Hecho a Mano,"** collaborative works by Marie Najera and R.T. Lonsdale showcased at Pioneer Lofts (311 First Avenue) during reception, Saturday, March 25, 6 p.m. 858-405-0869. (DOWNTOWN)

## ART MUSEUMS

**California Center for the Arts Museum,** "Therman Statom: Through the Looking Glass" mixes interactive, site-specific installations composed of bridges, towers, and mazes with "the collection of painterly large-scale plans for these

works." Statom is known for his "innovative use of glass."

Work investigating "memory, identity, and the ephemeral nature of existence through light projections and the physical transformation of matter" showcased in "Judith Hersko: Shifting Baselines." Hersko explores transformation of matter by experimenting with dissolution of sculptures made of calcium carbonate.

Both exhibits close on Sunday, July 2. 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, *burnads* (festival costumes), textiles, *rosemaling* (decorated pottery and furniture), and Norwegian-American immigrant chests from 18th Century. Closes on Sunday, May 21.

View "Art of Adornment — Jewelry from Five Continents" through August. "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.

The Mingei is located on square with San Diego Museum of Art. 619-239-0003. (BALBOA PARK)

**Mingei International Museum — North County,** "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 July.

"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)

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### That Filthy Lucre...

John Lydon (a.k.a. Johnny Rotten, formerly of the Sex Pistols) did a three-hour interview last week on 91X.

pay someone to endorse your radio station, it's nothing to be proud of."

Lydon's decision to back 91X over FM-94/9 is questionable, considering that the Sex Pistols' music gets more airplay on 94/9. According to Mediabase, a radio monitoring service, 91X has played "God Save the

November 2002, 94/9 has played the song 388 times. "Anarchy in the U.K." has been played more on 94/9 (482 spins) than on 91X (293 times).

Three major cities (New York, Washington, D.C., and Philadelphia) have no modern-rock stations while San Diego has two. A radio insider says that if there were one modern-rock station in San Diego, it would bring in between \$10 million and \$12 million in ad income. The two stations now split \$13 million.

According to Arbitron ratings, 91X is doing slightly better among listeners aged 18 to 34; 94/9 does better in the 25-to-54 demographic. Stapleford of 91X says, "I don't think it was ever feasible [to have two modern-rock stations in San Diego]. I think the competitor will go away and 91X will remain."

— Ken Leighton

### Of Mansions and Trailer Parks

"There aren't really any gangs out there," says 19-year-old Free Mind, who graduated from Poway High last year. "There are barely any Asians where I'm from. I kicked it with

black people, so I was considered one of the black folks. That's why I'm based in hip-hop."



YOUNG N' DANGEROUS AND FROM 858

Free Mind, of Asian descent, raps in Young N' Dangerous, a hip-hop collective that includes Kid Deception, 25, who is from Rancho Peñasquitos. I note that the Poway/Peñasquitos area (the provenance of blink-182 and Unwritten Law) aren't exactly hip-hop hotbeds.

"They have this battle of the bands every year [at Poway High]," says Free Mind. "They had all these rock bands because the area is based on rock music. We

were the only rap group. Everyone thought we were a joke."

Kid Deception says telephone area codes figure into the credibility mustered by local rap groups.

"It's hard for us in [area code] 858. Some people won't take you seriously. I know a lot of guys who won't claim 858. They say they are from 619, but they are completely bluffing. They talk about pulling pistols and drugs and all that stuff, and they are lying; they never lived a gangster day in their life."

Free Mind says, "Just 'cause I live in Poway doesn't mean we're rich folks. We live in an apartment. Poway is either rich mansions or dirt trailer parks. My whole family is from El Cajon. My mom didn't want us to live the gang life."

Free Mind, half Thai, half Laotian, says he has no desire to become a trailblazing Asian rapper. "There is this guy named Jin who says he was the first Asian rapper. Wyclef Jean [of the Fugees] got ahold of him and made him do a song called 'Learn Chinese.' He actually raps in Chinese. Everyone just laughed at him."

— Ken Leighton

### Album Special: \$680

Brian Witkin owns Del Mar-based record label Pacific Records and a record/CD store located inside the all-age Epicentre in Mira Mesa. Now, following the McDonald's business model, Witkin intends to break into recording; he says he paid a franchise fee to Riverside-based Love Juice Labs to open a studio of the same name in Chula Vista.

"They already have four locations: two in Riverside, one in La Habra, and one in Tempe." He says As I Lay Dying, Letter Kills, Panic at the Disco, and Rufio have recorded at Love Juice.

"For \$380, bands can come in and get a four-song, fully mastered CD in two eight-hour days," says Witkin. "Or you can get the album special for \$680. You can't do that at any other studio I know of. At some big studios, they may charge you \$3000, but then, when it's over, they might say they need another \$2000. If you don't have it, they keep the master."

Besides the franchise fee, Witkin says he invested in the equipment Love Juice prescribed. San Diego bands that call to book studio time

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the inside track

According to 91X program director Kevin Stapleford, the station paid Lydon to record promotional announcements three months ago. Was Lydon paid for his March 15 appearance? Stapleford did not return a request for comment.

A source at competing modern-rock station FM-94/9 contends that Lydon was paid for the interview. Regarding the promotional announcements, the source contends that "if you have to



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won't call Witkin directly; they'll call the Riverside office, which will then refer bands to Witkin's studio. Love Juice will get a percentage of the satellite studio's gross income. He'll exercise some autonomy in that he'll "pick the engineers and they have to go up [to Riverside] and get trained."

Bryce Griffin of Our Ivory Tower says his band plans to record its first four-track collection at the local Love Juice. "Love Juice has good quality for the money, compared to other places where you pay by the hour," says Griffin. "We were thinking about going to Sushi Fish [in Mission Valley].... Some of our members have already recorded at Love Juice in Riverside."

Ben Moore, principal engineer at Big Fish in North County, has engineered the work of Switchfoot, Rocket From the Crypt, Ravi Shankar, and Burt Bacharach. Moore says, "I feel bad for [Witkin] that he made that kind of investment and he's only going to get back \$22 an hour. I've been making my living at this for ten years, and I make it a point not to own any studio gear.... By specializing in the same technology that is available to

anyone with a credit card, hiring engineers that are training on the job, and then undercutting the local-studio market rates, I don't see how Love Juice's business model is any different than any other garage studio in town."

Dan Maier, who has engineered or mixed records for the Locust, Some Girls, and the Plot to Blow Up the Eiffel Tower, says, "Love Juice says they have cutting-edge



WITKIN TO OFFER RECORDING "MEAL DEALS"

equipment, but I find it extremely strange they don't list their equipment on their website." Moore and Maier say they have never heard of a studio that's charged \$3000 and then held on to the masters in order to get more money.

— Ken Leighton

**These Knives Don't Sink** The former members of No Knife (who split in 2003) are turning up all over.

Bassist Brian Desjean's new band, Get Your Death On!, played their first gig on February 19 at the Ken Club; the next night at the Ché Café. They appear tonight at the all-age Bean Bar on Hancock Street.

Guitarist Ryan Ferguson is a lifelong San Diegan

## OVERHEARD IN SAN DIEGO: DOWNTOWN

JAY ALLEN SANFORD



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whose high school band, Building 14, was named after the county morgue in Kearny Mesa. His 2005 debut solo EP, *Three, Four*, won a local-music award for "Best Pop Record." His website ([www.fergusong.com](http://www.fergusong.com)) recently included a downloadable clip of No Knife's unreleased video for "The Red Bedroom," filmed two months before the band broke up. Ryan Ferguson appears at the Casbah tomorrow, Friday, March 24.

Drummer Chris Prescott recently joined Pinback and will record on the band's follow-up to 2004's *Summer in Abaddon*, which has sold



NO KNIFE BUSTS OUT OF THE BEDROOM

around 69,000 U.S. copies, according to SoundScan. Pinback begins a month-long North American tour on April 20 in Santa Barbara. For the West Coast dates, Prescott will play in both

Pinback and his band, the Jade Shader. The Jade Shader appears at the Casbah on April 4.

Guitarist Mitch Wilson's new band, the Focus Group, released its debut EP March 1 on Stewardess Records. The band, which includes a few former Spanakorzo members, began a U.K. tour on March 18.

— Jay Allen Sanford

**Let It Bleed** If you pick up a copy of Zack Wentz's novel *The Garbageman and the Prostitute*, you might notice that William T. Vollmann is quoted on the front cover. Vollmann, author of *Europe Central*, *The Atlas*, and *Whores for Gloria*, called Wentz's book "A sad and creepy work... Entertaining and at times haunting."

Wentz says, "I was talking to a very old friend of mine in the Northwest about the book, saying I needed to get some blurbs together and she told me she knew a few authors. I asked her if I might have heard of any of them. She said Bill Vollmann, and I just about fell out of my chair. K8 [Wentz's wife] and I have known her for years, and she never mentioned him before. She said she'd give

him a manuscript, but not to hold my breath. I held my breath."

Then, one day, Vollmann called Wentz.

"Needless to say, I was floored," Wentz says.

A tale told through the eyes of multiple narrators, *The Garbageman and the Prostitute* is loosely based on



K8 AND ZACK GET IT DONE

Kill Me Tomorrow's album of the same name and includes graphic work by K8. Wentz is the band's primary lyricist, vocalist, and drummer. He works two jobs — at the Turf Club and Krakatoa — and plays in another band with K8 called Tender Buttons. Wentz says he has completed a second novel. K8 has her own clothing line (Blood & Guts) and works part-time at Custom Printing.

"I have no idea [how we do it], but it all somehow keeps happening," Wentz says. "Maybe because I don't know how to do anything else and the alternative is transience. We just work on all of it at the same time, letting the mediums bleed into one another. I prefer it that way.... I had fairly severe insomnia growing up, but it seldom hits me now. If it does and it's bad, my brain begins composing several things simultaneously at a manic rate until I feel so deranged I have to get out of bed and get as much of it down as I can."

K8 and Wentz, who've known each other for almost a decade, moved to San Diego from Oregon in 1999.

Wentz says, "I never like to go back and have a nasty habit of cursing Oregon every time the state comes up, despite it not really being that bad of a place if you like rain and aren't inclined toward alcoholism, depression, or schizophrenia."

— Jeremiah Griffey

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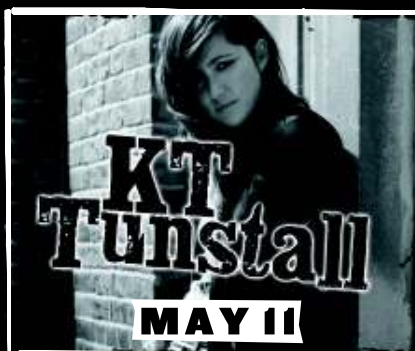
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#### FRIDAY

**Chuck Pyle:** Acoustic Music San  
Diego, Friday, March 24, 4650  
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**Michael Bublé:** Copley Symphony  
Hall, Friday, March 24, 1245 Seventh  
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**RBD:** Coors Amphitheatre, Saturday,  
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**Dave Stamey:** Acoustic Music San  
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Diego. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-  
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March 25, 143 South Cedros Avenue,  
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#### SUNDAY

**Ghostface Killah:** House of Blues,  
Sunday, March 26, 1055 Fifth Avenue,  
Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-  
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**The Black Eyed Peas** /533/ and the  
**Pussycat Dolls:** Bayside Concerts  
with Viejas, Sunday, March 26,  
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#### MONDAY

**The Pretenders** /558/: House of  
Blues, Monday, March 27, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or  
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#### TUESDAY

**UB40** /737/: 4th & B, Tuesday,  
March 28, 345 B Street, San Diego.  
619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**The Pretenders** /558/: House of  
Blues, Tuesday, March 28, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or  
619-220-8497.

**The Strokes** /200/: RIMAC Arena,  
Tuesday, March 28, UCSD campus,  
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**Dilated Peoples:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Tuesday, March 28, 143 South Cedros  
Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140  
or 619-220-8497.

#### WEDNESDAY

**Stereolab** /116/: House of Blues,  
Wednesday, March 29, 1055 Fifth  
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### UPCOMING CONCERTS

#### MARCH

**Chamillionaire:** House of Blues,  
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Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or  
619-220-8497.

**Donald Fagen:** Viejas Casino  
Concerts in the Park, Thursday,  
March 30, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine.  
619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Dionne Warwick** /567/: Rincon  
Casino, Thursday, March 30, Valley  
Center Road, Escondido, 866-468-  
3399.

**Johnny Winter:** Belly Up Tavern,  
Thursday, March 30, 143 South  
Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach.  
858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Train:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the  
Park, Friday, March 31, 5005 Willows  
Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or  
619-220-8497.

#### APRIL

**The Alkaline Trio** /345/: House of  
Blues, Saturday, April 1, 1055 Fifth  
Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or  
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**Fall Out Boy, All-American  
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**The English Beat:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, April 1, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Floetry:** House of Blues, Sunday, April 2, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Kirk Franklin:** San Diego Sports Arena, Monday, April 3, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

**Michael McDonald [605]:** Pala Events Center, Wednesday, April 5, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**Jesse Colin Young [614]:** Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Wednesday, April 5, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

**Peter Frampton [523]:** Rincon Casino, Thursday, April 6, Valley Center Road, Escondido, 866-468-3399.

**Chimaira and Arch Enemy:** House of Blues, Thursday, April 6, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Jeff Beck [569]:** 4th & B, Thursday, April 6, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Sound Tribe Sector Nine:** House of Blues, Friday, April 7, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Toni Braxton:** Pala Events Center, Friday, April 7, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**Richard Butler:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, April 8, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Taking Back Sunday [553]:** House of Blues, Sunday, April 9, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Luis Miguel [617]:** Cox Arena, Sunday, April 9, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0429 or 619-220-8497.

**John Pizzarelli:** Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Sunday, April 9, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

**The Limelites [881]:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, April 9, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Umphey's McGee:** House of Blues, Wednesday, April 12, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Vanessa Williams:** Rincon Casino, Thursday, April 13, Valley Center Road, Escondido, 866-468-3399.

**Colin Hay [573]:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, April 13, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Redman [608]:** House of Blues, Friday, April 14, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Ronny Cox:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Saturday, April 15, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**Better Than Ezra [118] and Sister Hazel [475]:** House of Blues, Sunday, April 16, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Yellowcard:** Cox Arena, Tuesday, April 18, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0429 or 619-220-8497.

**Keyshia Cole:** House of Blues, Thursday, April 20, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Rob Zombie [476]:** Soma, Friday, April 21, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-7662 or 619-220-8497.

**Rick Springfield [529]:** House of Blues, Friday, April 21, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.



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**Pepe Aguilar:** Bayside Concerts with Viejas, Saturday, April 22, downtown San Diego waterfront, 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**The Yonder Mountain Sting Band:** House of Blues, Sunday, April 23, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Buckethead:** Belly Up Tavern, Sunday, April 23, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Devendra Banhart:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, April 27, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Taj Mahal [941]:** House of Blues, Friday, April 28, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Avenged Sevenfold [561]:** San Diego Sports Arena, Friday, April 28, 3500 Sports Arena Boulevard, 619-224-4171 or 619-220-8497.

**Peter Case [817]:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Friday, April 28, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

**The Wiggles:** Cox Arena, Friday, April 28, SDSU campus, College Area. 619-594-0429 or 619-220-8497.

**Joe Louis Walker [953]:** Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, April 29, 2241 Shelter Island

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**Cheap Trick:** Rincon Casino, Saturday, April 29, Valley Center Road, Escondido, 866-468-3399.

**David Wilcox [824]:** Acoustic Music San Diego, Sunday, April 30, 4650 Mansfield Street, Normal Heights. 619-303-8176.

## MAY

**Jaguares [301]:** Pala Events Center, Monday, May 1, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**The John Butler Trio:** House of Blues, Tuesday, May 2, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Aterciopelados:** House of Blues, Wednesday, May 3, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**R. Kelly:** Copley Symphony Hall, Friday, May 5, 1245 Seventh Avenue, downtown. 619-235-0804 or 619-220-8497.

**Wishbone Ash [110]:** Humphrey's Backstage Lounge, Saturday, May 6, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego. 619-224-3577 or 619-220-8497.

**Eric Benet:** Belly Up Tavern, Wednesday, May 10, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

**Boyz II Men [620]:** 4th & B, Thursday, May 11, 345 B Street, San Diego. 619-231-4343 or 619-220-8497.

**Lee Roy Parnell:** Belly Up Tavern, Saturday, May 13, 143 South Cedros Avenue, Solana Beach. 858-481-8140 or 619-220-8497.

# NOTE

BY DAVE GOOD

It's a parent's nightmare, having to explain one's tarnished past when the children come of age and start asking questions about Mom and Dad's place in the Bermuda Triangle of sex, drugs, and rock and roll. **Hamell**, who has proven himself a resourceful thinker in matters like these and others during his five-album career, opts for the easy out — by claiming the fifth. "He wants the truth. I look him in the eye. I set a good example. I'm that kind of guy," he sings. "I'm going to lie."

Hamell (first name Ed) is an acoustic punk trash mouth with a gutter mind. **Hamell on Trial** is what he calls his act. It's just him playing thrash acoustic guitar through a load of amplification. On *Songs for Parents Who Enjoy Drugs*, Hamell's latest, there are tunes

about his young son, about remaining faithful (via masturbation) while on the road, about George Bush's own self-pleasuring sessions with Bible in hand, about Condoleezza's carnal impulses, and about the state of Ann Coulter's genitals. It's a messy album with a punk's penchant for black comedy and shock-value poetics beneath a friendly crust of anti-folk strumming. "Your grandma and grandpa / Were married 50 years / Then your grandma lost her mind / Your grandpa killed her / And then he killed himself / So he wouldn't get left behind."

When Hamell descends into the simpleminded ("Oh, values are tough to teach a child / When the President has completely gone wild"), you have to laugh, because some people really do believe that crap. Hamell knows better, or at least he seems to — a listener has to wonder just how much of Hamell's stuff is pure fiction for the sake of art. We know this much:



## HAMELL ON TRIAL

Hamell's son is real, and his name is Detroit. If Hamell really is worried about how to explain his past, he need not fear. In a sense, he already has; his son need look no further than his father's albums.

**HAMELL ON TRIAL, Lestat's Coffeehouse, Wednesday, March 29. 619-282-0437.**

**John Tesh [623]:** House of Blues, Sunday, May 14, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**The New Cars and Blondie [580]:** Palomar Starlight Theater, Tuesday, May 16, 5 miles east of I-15 on Hwy 76, Pala. 760-510-4580 or 619-220-8497.

**Jamie Cullum:** House of Blues, Wednesday, May 17, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**Lynyrd Skynyrd [574]:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Wednesday, May 17, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**Ministry [572]:** House of Blues, Sunday, May 21, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

**The New Cars and Blondie [580]:** Viejas Casino Concerts in the Park, Tuesday, May 23, 5005 Willows Road, Alpine. 619-445-5400 or 619-220-8497.

**The Rugburns [263] and Bob Schneider [252]:** House of Blues, Friday, May 26, 1055 Fifth Avenue, Gaslamp. 619-299-2583 or 619-220-8497.

## JUNE

**Bo Diddley [938]:** Belly Up Tavern, Thursday, June 1, 143 South Cedros



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3/25

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Sun.  
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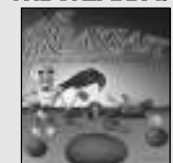
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Wed.  
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### EXTENSION 4002

### ALTERNATIVE

**The Aggrolites:** Soma

**AIV:** Dreamstreet

**The AKAs:** Soma

**The Alternatives:** Surf N'Saddle

**Amber Pacific:** Soma

**American Heartbreak:** The Casbah

**Antiflag:** Soma

**At All Costs:** Soma

**Atlas of Id:** Dreamstreet

**Augustana:** Soma

**Black Lips:** The Casbah

**Black Mafia:** Brick By Brick

**Blindheim:** Blind Melons

**The Breakfast:** Winstons

**Buckcherry:** 'Canes

**Carnival Barker:** The Casbah

**Caskets on Parade:** Dreamstreet

**The Casualties:** Soma

**The Damnells:** Soma

**Damcyan:** The Jumping Turtle

**Dark Horse:** Soma

**The Dateless Losers:** Blind Melons

**Defari:** Belly Up Tavern

**d.fRost /389/:** 'Canes

**Doomsday Device:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Downs Family:** The Kensington Club

**The Early November:** Soma

**Electrocrypt:** The Kensington Club

**Enter Telescope:** The Jumping Turtle

**Eternal Unbon:** The Rhythm Lounge

**Every Time I Die:** Soma

**Existo:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Exit Theory:** 'Canes

**A Fir-Ju Well:** The Kensington Club

**420 Blackbirdz:** Winstons

**Gogol Bordello:** Brick By Brick

**Goldfish /262/:** Belly Up Tavern

**The Great Error:** Dreamstreet

**Gorillatranamo:** Blind Melons

**Haste the Day:** Soma

**The Hellacopters:** The Casbah

**His Irate Life:** Soma

**Horror Pops:** Soma

**The Husbands:** The Kensington Club

**I Am Ghost:** Soma

**Individual Destruction Sequence:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

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**Kicking K8:** 'Canes

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**The Koffin Kats:** The Zombie Lounge

**The Lamps:** The Casbah

**Lazarus:** Dreamstreet

**The Life of Earth:** Winstons

**Little Brother:** Belly Up Tavern

**Lymbyc System:** Winstons

**The Makes Nice:** The Kensington Club

**Malachi Crunch:** Blind Melons

**Matchbox Romance:** Soma

**Medius:** The Jumping Turtle

**Meld /261/:** Winstons

**Morningwood:** House of Blues

**Mother Mae I:** The Jumping Turtle

**Nebula:** The Casbah

**The Need:** 'Canes

**The Night Fell Silent:** Soma

**The North Atlantic:** The Casbah

**Old Man Hands:** The Casbah

**Reeve Oliver:** The Casbah

**Particle:** Belly Up Tavern

**Raven White:** The Rhythm Lounge

**Rich White Males:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**The Ruminants:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**Run Honey:** Dreamstreet

**Sabrosa Purrr:** The Casbah

**Scar'd Sanity:** The Jumping Turtle

**Scarlet Rising:** The Jumping Turtle

**Silver Sunshine:** The Kensington Club

**Silverstein:** Soma

**Six-Foot Deathtrap:** The Jumping Turtle

**Smoke or Fire:** Soma

**Social Suicide:** Dreamstreet

**Songbird /268/:** 'Canes

**Stereolab /116/:** House of Blues

**Straight Trippin':** The Zombie Lounge

**The Strangers Six:** The Casbah

**Stripped Down Hollywood:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**The Sultans:** The Kensington Club

**Superunloader /208/:** Tiki House

**Sweeth Tooth:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**Ten Mile Dive:** 'Canes

**Tetany:** 'Canes

**The Tossers:** Soma

**The Travel Agents:** The Kraken

**Anna Troy /275/:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**The Trusted:** 'Canes

**The 25th Hour:** Soma

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**Variable:** The Jumping Turtle  
**Winter Flowers:** The Kensington Club  
**Wither [286]:** The Jumping Turtle  
**You Die First:** The Jumping Turtle

### EXTENSION 4003

# ROCK

**Action Action:** House of Blues  
**Aerodrive:** Fannie's Nightclub  
**Aquatribe:** Dreamstreet  
**The Blazers:** Tio Leo's Lounge  
**Brain Buckit** [563]: Winstons  
**Caution:** Blind Melons  
**The Citizen Band:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Class of Zero:** Blind Melons  
**Cold Shower:** Surf N'Saddle  
**The Clay Colton Band:** Tom Giblin's Irish Pub and Restaurant  
**Lizzy Cox:** The Casbah  
**Dark Skies:** The Zombie Lounge  
**Deadline Friday** [404]: O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Rick Derringer:** 'Canes  
**The Dirtbombs:** The Casbah  
**Drop Joy:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**The Dukes of Haggard:** Blind Melons  
**The 86'd:** Dick's Last Resort  
**The Electric Waste Band:** Winstons  
**Fake Book/Moods:** Ocean House  
**Geoff Farina:** The Casbah  
**Ryan Ferguson:** The Casbah  
**Four Eyes:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub  
**Mike Gardner:** Mas Fina Cantina

**The Ghost of Sada:** Dick's Last Resort

**Hard Echo [510]:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Taylor Harvey Band:** Island Sports & Spirits, McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**The Heartless Bastards:** The Casbah

**Hyde:** Blind Melons

**Irradio** [464]: The Casbah

**The IV Thieves:** House of Blues

**Lil' Efert:** Don's Cocktail Lounge

**Modessa** [537]: The Jumping Turtle

**Money4Nothin':** The Silver Queen Saloon

**The Moonlight Cruisers:** The Jumping Turtle

**Night Shift:** Pal Joey's

**Nitehawk:** Carvers

**Nude Blues:** Bahia Belle Cruise

**The Offbeats:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Paradise:** O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub

**Serious Guise:** Second Wind (Santee)

**The Simple Minded Soldiers:** Blind Melons

**619:** Second Wind (San Carlos)

**Slewfoot:** The Jumping Turtle

**The Soledad Brothers:** The Casbah

**Soul Ablaze:** Dreamstreet

**The Sounds:** House of Blues

**The Steely Damned:** Humphrey's

**The Stiletto:** Henry's Pub

**The Subways:** Epicentre

**Swamp Cat:** Fannie's Nightclub

**That Mad Ahab:** The Casbah

**TNT:** Dirk's Niteclub

**Total Satisfaction:** Blind Melons

**Triple Flats:** Dreamstreet

**Triple X:** Hennessey's Tavern (PB), Bub's Whiskey Dive

**Undecided:** McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**The Cory Wilkins Band:** Dreamstreet

## EXTENSION 4004

## POP / TOP 40

**B Natural:** Bahia Belle Cruise  
**The Disco Pimps:** Moondoggies  
**The 80z Allstars:** 'Canes  
**Diva Soul:** Jimmy Love's  
**Fran Loskota:** The Westgate Hotel  
**The Love Rangers:** The Alley  
**Rick Lyon:** The Imperial House  
**Makai:** Humphrey's  
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## BANDS

### EXTENSION 4005

### JAZZ / BIG BAND

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**Burnett Anderson**: Cafe LaMaze  
**The B-3 Four**: Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant  
**The Ray Barrie Big Band**: The German-American Societies  
**The Baytown Band**: Viejas Casino  
**Tom Bishop**: Rancho Bernardo Inn  
**Blue Largo** [636]: Patrick's II  
**Burn Brion**: Humphrey's

**Ray Briz**: Hotel del Coronado  
**The Lee Brown Perspective** [678]: Thrusters, Magnolia's  
**John Cain** [703]: Bahia Resort Hotel, Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge, Hotel del Coronado  
**Sammy Canonizado**: Cafe LaMaze  
**Gilbert Castellanos** [667]: Excelsior  
**Gilbert Castellanos & His Quintet**: Dizzy's  
**Sandy Chappel**: Cafe LaMaze  
**Jo Dark**: The German-American Societies  
**Delta Nove**: Belly Up Tavern  
**Will Faerber** [635]: South Bay Fish and Grill  
**Nick Fiore**: Pasquale on Prospect  
**The Mark Freundt Jazz Trio**: First Unitarian Universalist Church  
**The Jim Gala Jazz Trio**: Kitima Thai Restaurant  
**Joe Garrison**: Cafe LaMaze

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**Halina**: Vesuvio Gourmet Restaurant  
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**Cynthia Hammond**: Pasquale on Prospect  
**The High Society Jazz Band**: Tio Leo's Lounge  
**Barbara Jamerson**: Hotel del Coronado  
**Kem**: 4th & B  
**The Kristin Korb Trio**: La Mesa First United Methodist Church  
**Tony Lasley**: Hotel del Coronado  
**Barry Levich**: La Valencia Hotel  
**Stellita Lindgren**: Hotel del Coronado  
**Dave Lindgren**: Hotel del Coronado  
**Bob Magnusson**: Dizzy's  
**Masterpiece**: Jimmy Love's  
**Jerry Melnick**: The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe, Rancho Bernardo Inn  
**The Shep Meyers Quartet** [660]: Croce's Jazz Bar

**Mystique**: Jimmy Love's  
**Randy Napoleon**: Dizzy's  
**Mike Nelson**: Qwiigs Bar and Grill  
**Adrienne Nims & Spirit Wind**: Fresh Seafood Restaurant & Bar  
**Dan Papaila**: The Lodge at Torrey Pines  
**The David Patrone Quartet** [647]: Croce's Jazz Bar  
**Ben Powell**: Tomiko Bar and Grill  
**Primo**: Sevilla, Croce's Jazz Bar  
**Rick Ross**: La Valencia Hotel  
**Carlos Rull**: Bistro 221  
**The Peter Rutman Blues & Jazz Band**: Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company  
**Dave Scott**: Croce's Jazz Bar, Pasquale on Prospect  
**Paul Seaforth**: Dizzy's  
**Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time**: Jimmy Love's, Coyote Bar and Grill  
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**WED. MAR. 29<sup>th</sup>**  
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**WED. APR. 12<sup>th</sup>**  
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**THUR. APR. 13<sup>th</sup>**  
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**FRI. APR. 14<sup>th</sup>**  
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**THUR. APR. 20<sup>th</sup>**  
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**TUES. MAY 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
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**FRI. MAY 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Cinco de Mayo**  
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**SUN. MAY 14<sup>th</sup>**  
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**April 2nd**  
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**April 3rd**  
 Industry Party - DJs  
 & Prize Give Aways

**April 4th**  
 Split Finger,  
 Tower Four,  
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**April 5th**  
 Rockin Johnny White  
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**April 6th**  
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**April 7th**  
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**Sprung Monkey**  
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**April 8th**  
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## BANDS

**Peter Sprague** [643]: Dizzy's

**The Stage 4 Jazz Quintet:** Buon  
Giorno Restaurant

**Richard Thompson:** Dizzy's

**Tokeli & the Ed Kornhauser Trio:**  
The Laurel Restaurant and Bar

**Ian Tordella & His Quintet:**  
Dizzy's

**The Jaime Valle Quartet** [704]:  
Tutto Mare

**The Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson  
Jazz Duo:** Harry's Bar and American  
Grill

**Jason Weber:** Mister A's

**Yavez:** Croce's Jazz Bar

## EXTENSION 4006

## REGGAE / SKA

**Army:** Belly Up Tavern

**Burnt:** Brick By Brick

**Diego Roots:** Brick By Brick

**Earl Zero:** Dreamstreet

**The Fabulous Rudies:** The Zombie  
Lounge

**King Tone:** Belly Up Tavern

**Kumba Dawa:** Winstons

**Kush & the Jah Blood Fiyah  
Angels:** Belly Up Tavern

**The Jerry McCann Band:** Coyote  
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**Ooklah the Moc:** Belly Up Tavern

**Abja & Niyo Ray:** Belly Up Tavern

**The Roots Covenant:** Dreamstreet

**Roots to Rockets:** Coyote Bar and  
Grill

**The Ras Sojie & One Love Band:**  
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**Steel Pulse** [730]: 4th & B

**Stranger:** Belly Up Tavern

**UB40** [737]: 4th & B

**Uplift:** The Calypso Cafe

**Vegetation** [753]: Belly Up Tavern

## EXTENSION 4007

## COUNTRY

**Cactus Twang:** The Calypso Cafe

**Cash'd Out:** Blind Melons

**Southbound Johnny:** Renegade Inn

## EXTENSION 4008

## ACOUSTIC / FOLK

**Amy Ayres:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
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**Brian Benham:** Twigg's Tea and  
Coffee Company

**John Bosley:** Borders Books and  
Music (Gaslamp)

**Brax:** The Ould Sod

**Steve Brewer:** Blarney Stone Pub,  
McP's Irish Pub and Grill

**Chris Brokaw:** The Casbah

**Eben Brooks:** O'Connell's Pub and  
Nightclub

**Kai Brown:** Borders Books and  
Music (Mission Valley)

**Camille Brown:** Twigg's Tea and  
Coffee Company

**Megan Connelly:** Twigg's Tea and  
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**The Coyote Problem** [848]:  
Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Tony Cummins:** Blarney Stone Pub  
**Alfonso DelaEspriella:** O'Connell's  
Pub and Nightclub

**Kim DiVincenzo:** Lifepoint Cafe

**Jim Earp:** Borders Books and Music  
(Gaslamp)

**Elmo Jack:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
Company

**The Ex-friends:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Matthew Foster:** O'Connell's Pub  
and Nightclub

**Stephen Fretwell:** Borders Books  
and Music (Gaslamp), Belly Up  
Tavern

**Victoria George:** Blind Melons

**Grand Canyon Sundown:** Twigg's  
Tea and Coffee Company

**Anthony Gravino:** O'Connell's Pub  
and Nightclub

**Josh Hall:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
Company

**Jackson & McCarty:** McP's Irish  
Pub and Grill

**John-Mark:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Kellis David:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
Company

**Kethro:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
Company

**Le String Band 5000:** Turquoise  
Cafe

**Christie Leigh:** Twigg's Tea and  
Coffee Company

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**Janiva Magness:** Humphrey's

**Victor Martin:** Beaumont's

**Willy Mason:** House of Blues

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Music (El Cajon)

**Dwayne McCobb:** Borders Books  
and Music (Carmel Mountain)

**Joe Mersch:** Borders Books and  
Music (Carmel Mountain)

**Jim Moore:** McP's Irish Pub and  
Grill

**Tim Mudd:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Beth Orton** [887]: House of Blues

**Curtis Peoples:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Kyle Phelan:** Lifepoint Cafe

**Sam Prekop:** House of Blues

**Archer Prewitt:** House of Blues

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**Allison Scull:** Beaumont's

**Neil Smith:** Island Sports & Spirits

**Devon Sproule:** Lestat's  
Coffeehouse

**Dave Stamey:** Acoustic Music San  
Diego

**Tara Jo:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
Company

**Hodges Taylor:** Lestat's Coffeehouse

**Dan Tedesco:** Twigg's Tea and  
Coffee Company

**Jack Tempchin:** The Calypso Cafe

**Terra Naomi:** University of San  
Diego

**Waldo Bliss:** Twigg's Tea and Coffee  
Company

**The Waybacks:** Acoustic Music San  
Diego

**Wood'n Lips:** Borders Books and  
Music (El Cajon)

**Renata Youngblood:** Lestat's  
Coffeehouse

## EXTENSION 4009

## BLUES / SOUL

**Big City Shaman:** McP's Irish Pub  
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**Blue Four** [943]: Patrick's II

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			6/22 SI'SE

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4/23 Buckethead	5/10 Eric Benet	6/15 Leon Russell
4/24 Rap Renegades Tour with Tre Hardson & Speech	5/12 Bobby "Blue" Bland	6/22 Neko Case
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## BANDS

**Tommy Budd:** Island Sports & Spirits

**The Charles Burton Blues Band** [931]: The Kraken

**Chill Boy:** The Kraken

**Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters** [932]: Chateau Orleans, Big Jim's Old South Bar-B-Q, Turquoise Cafe

**The Cradit Union:** Ocean House

**D.A. & the Hitmen:** Blind Melons

**Dilated Peoples:** Belly Up Tavern

**The Fremonts** [923]: Tio Leo's Lounge

**Funk in the Trunk:** Los Cabos Mexican Mesquite Grill

**Fuzzy & the Bluesmen** [912]: Croce's Jazz Bar

**Johnny "B" Blues:** Coyote Bar and Grill

**L.A. Jones & the Blues Messengers:** Patrick's II

**Candy Kane** [939]: The Calypso Cafe

**The Kings of Pleasure:** Patrick's II

**Lady Dottie & the Diamonds:** Henry's Pub

**Michele Lundeen & Blues Streak** [952]: Patrick's II

**The Bill Magee Blues Band** [947]: Patrick's II

**Nite Life** [934]: Riley's Sports Bar

**Sean Perry:** Harney Sushi

**Len Rainey & the Midnight Players** [921]: The Calypso Cafe

**The Rockin' Blues Hounds:** Tiki House

**Rule of Thirds:** The Gordon Biersch Brewery

**S.D. Blues:** Chuey's Numero Uno

**Sparky's Dream:** Coyote Bar and Grill

**3 EZ Pieces:** The Kraken

**Torpedo Betty** [972]: Dreamstreet, Belly Up Tavern

**Triple Shot** [933]: The Calypso Cafe

**Billy Watson:** Coyote Bar and Grill

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## EVERYTHING ELSE

**J.D. Boucharde** [985]: Princess Pub and Grille

**George Butterfield:** La Mesa First United Methodist Church

**The Capriccio String Quartet:** Tutto Mare

**The Manny Cepeda & Gene Perry Duo:** Tazablanca, The Baja Club, Hot Monkey Love Cafe

**Vicki Eriqat:** Edelweiss Restaurant

**Feist:** Belly Up Tavern

**Ghostface Killah:** House of Blues

# NOTE

BY WILLIAM CRAIN

Somewhere there is an alternate universe in which the **Strokes** didn't get signed to a major label right off the bat. They didn't get pictured on the cover of any major magazine or become a widely recognized symbol of a guitar-rock renaissance. Few people saw them as fashion trendsetters. Drew Barrymore didn't date anyone in the band, and Courtney Love didn't write any songs about the singer. They didn't have to change the racy original cover photograph for their debut album *Is This It?* into something more palatable for Wal-Mart, because no one expected Wal-Mart to carry it. There was no backlash against the band's popularity. Some fans may have initially overdone things and compared them to the Velvet Underground and

Television, but no one took those fans seriously, and there was no harm done. Some may have seen the band's second album as a letdown, but they cut the Strokes some slack. Everyone knew that the band was young and needed some time to work up to its potential.

In this universe, you've got to feel sorry for Strokes singer **Julian Casablancas** when the most-quoted line from his third album is "I've got nothing to say." You might want to cheer him up: "Hey, don't feel so bad. Most of your peers don't have anything to say either." Or even, "Hey, who needs something to say when you've got a tight band, catchy tunes, and a cool voice?"

In this universe, you have to measure the new album *First Impressions of Earth* against the weight of unrealistic and outmoded expectations. In that other universe, the buzz says that the Strokes are just now



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hitting their stride.  
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**Jim Gibson:** Hotel del Coronado

**M.T. Hollis:** Brick By Brick

**Kjell Holmes** [994]: Edelweiss Restaurant

**The Kneehighs** [996]: The Casbah

**lone-Angeles:** Brick By Brick

**Jangada:** Rei Do Gado Brazilian Steakhouse

**Gordon Kohl** [983]: Edelweiss Restaurant

**Bradley Leighton** [987]: Game Time Tavern

**Los Ingratoz:** Over the Border

**M1:** House of Blues

**Faith Page** [989]: The Westgate Hotel

**Rece:** Brick By Brick

**Rican:** Brick By Brick

**Sambachopps:** Rei Do Gado Brazilian Steakhouse

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**Angels in Agony:** Second Friday of the month, synthpop, industrial, and gothic with DJs DarkAngel, NoSleepDamon, and guest. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Kava Lounge, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, middletown, 619-543-0933.

**Club de Sade:** Third Saturday of the month, gothic, industrial, and EBM with DJs Darkman and Creep. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. San Diego Sports Club, 1271 University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-299-7372.

**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 Fashion Whore:** Second and fourth Saturday of the month, electroclash, Brit pop, and indie dance punk with DJs Nate Soixante, Saul Q, Barry Weaver, and more. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. San Diego Sports Club, 1271 University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-299-7372.

**Club Pussy Galore:** Wednesdays, Robin Roth and other female DJs spin glam, Britpop, and indie. Go-go girls, manicures, and body art. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. No cover. The Beauty Bar, 4746 El Cajon Boulevard, College Area. 619-516-4746.

**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 Wallcrawler, 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, 619-702-6010.

**Friends Chill:** Tuesdays, downtempo, electronic, and ambient with DJs Wank Chops, lstr, and guests; 9 p.m.; 21 and up. No cover. The Whistle Stop, 2236 Fern Street (corner of 30th and Juniper), South Park. 619-284-6784.

**Hot Wax:** Thursdays, funk, classic hip-hop, and '80s dance hosted by Mr. Riddles and guests. No cover. Buster Daly's, 3112 University Avenue, North Park. 619-284-2747.

**Inferno Young Adult Nightclub:** Fridays and Saturdays, DJ Kool T spins hip-hop, house, and reggaeton. 9 p.m. to 1:15 a.m.; high school sophomore and up. 775 Metcalf Street, Escondido. 760-741-1271.

**Liquid:** Sundays, liquid funk and drum 'n' bass; 9 p.m. to 2 a.m., 21 and up. No cover. Red C Lounge, 756 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-233-2838.

**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.

**One Nation:** Second and fifth Saturday of the month, new wave, hip-hop, and bootleg remixes with DJs Blackstone and Atari. The Whistle Stop, 2236 Fern Street (corner of 30th and Juniper), South Park. 619-284-6784.

**Rockin' the House:** Saturdays, hip-hop, R&B, and Top 40. 9 p.m. Rookies Sports Bar, 2216 El Camino Real, Oceanside. 760-757-1123.

**Sabbat:** Second Saturday of the month, gothic, industrial, and dark

'80s with DJs Robin Roth, Adam Atom, and Diskdroid. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Flame, 3780 Park Boulevard, Hillcrest, 619-295-4163.

**Sin Factory:** First Friday of the month, fetish, gothic, and industrial with DJs Robin Roth, Darkman, and guests. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Riley's Sports Bar, 2901 Nimitz Boulevard, Point Loma. 619-255-8635.

**Sonic Circus:** Third Saturday of the month, 20meat:6fry spins house and breaks; guests on live horns and percussion. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. The Kava Lounge, 2812 Kettner Boulevard, middletown, 619-543-0933.

**Therapy:** Fridays, industrial, noise, and EBM with DJs Bryan Pollard, OT7, and guest. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.; 21 and up. Brick by Brick, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-5483.

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

### CLUBS BY AREA

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Wednesday, 9 p.m., *Army*, *Abja & Niyo Ray*, *Ooklah the Moc*, and *Stranger*. roots/dub/island sounds.

**Big Jim's Old South Bar B Q**, 190 North Coast Highway 101, Encinitas. Sunday, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

**Bistro 221**, 221 Grand Avenue, Escondido. 760-737-7398. Wednesday, 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., *Carlos Rull*, jazz.

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

**The Book Works/Pannikin Cafe**, Flower Hill Mall, I-5 at Via de la Valle, Del Mar. 858-755-3735. Friday, 8 p.m., *Primasi*, Eastern European folk.

**Borders Books and Music**, 11160 Rancho Carmel Drive, Carmel Mountain. 858-618-1814. Friday, 8 p.m., *Joe Mersch* and *Dwayne McCobb*, folk.

**Bub's Whiskey Dive**, 301 Pier View Way, Oceanside. 760-757-BUBS. Friday, *Triple X*, rock.

**The Calypso Cafe**, 576 North Highway 101, Encinitas. 760-632-

8252. Thursday, *Len Rainey & the Midnight Players*, blues. Friday and Saturday, *Triple Shot*, blues. Sunday, *Candye Kane*, blues. Monday, *Cactus Twang*, roadhouse rock/blues. Tuesday, *Jack Tempchin*, folk. Wednesday, *Uplift*, reggae/rock/R&B.

**Carvers**, 11940 Bernardo Plaza Drive, Rancho Bernardo. 858-566-2400. Friday and Saturday, *Nitehawk*, classic rock.

**Coyote Bar and Grill**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4695. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Roots to Rockets*, 10 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., DJ event. Friday, 6:30 p.m.

to 10:30 p.m., *the Restless Natives*, rock/blues/reggae. 10:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., DJ event. Saturday, 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., *Billy Watson*, blues. 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *the Jerry McCann Band*, reggae/R&B, 10:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., DJ event. Sunday, 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., *Sparky's Dream*, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Reggie Smith & Pressed for Time*, jazz. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Johnny "B" Blues*.

**Game Time Tavern**, 12735 Poway Road, Poway. 858-748-0015. Friday and Saturday, live classic rock. Tuesday, *Bradley Leighton*, R&B/jazz/dance.

**Hennessey's Tavern (Carlsbad)**, 2777 Roosevelt Street, Carlsbad. 760-729-6951. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, live rock/blues/acoustic.

**The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe**, 5951 Linea del Cielo, Rancho Santa Fe. 858-756-1131. Thursday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., *Jerry Melnick*, jazz/variety piano.

**The Jumping Turtle**, 1660 Capalina Road, San Marcos. 760-471-7778. Music is rock/alternative. Thursday, *Variable*, *Knifemill Disintegrator*, *Mother Mae I*, *Modessa*, and *Six-Foot Deathtrap*. Friday, 8 p.m., *the Rocketz*, *Red Lightning*, and *the Moonlight Cruisers*. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Wither*, *Slewfoot*, *Scarlet Rising*, and *Scar'd Sanity*. Sunday, *Doomsday Device*, *Existo*, and *Enter Telescope*. Wednesday, *You Die First*, *Damycan*, *Medius*, and *Hard Echo*.

**The Kraken**, 2531 Old Highway 101, Cardiff. 760-436-6483. Thursday, 3 EZ *Pieces*, blues. Friday, *the Travel Agents*, alternative. Saturday, *Chill Boy*, blues. Sunday, *the Blues Brokers*. Monday, *the Charles Burton Blues Band*.

**Longshot Saloon**, 643 Grand Avenue, San Marcos. 760-744-8576. Friday and Saturday, live rock.

**Los Cabos Mexican Mesquite Grill**, 12955 El Camino Real, Suite G7, Del Mar. 858-792-2226. Thursday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Funk in the Trunk*, funk/blues.

**Mas Fina Cantina**, 2780 State Street, Carlsbad. 760-434-3497. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Mike Gardner*, acoustic rock.

**The Metaphor Coffeehouse**, 258 East Second Avenue, Escondido. 760-489-8890. Thursday and Monday, live Dixieland band. Sunday, 5 p.m., *Andrea Reschke*, acoustic folk.

**Molly Malone's**, 1270 Main Street, Ramona. 760-789-9050. Friday and Saturday, live rock.

**Ocean House**, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad. 760-729-4131. Thursday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Cradit Union*. Friday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Fake Book*, rock. 10 p.m., DJ event, '80s hits. Saturday, 10 p.m., *DJ Evan*. Sunday, 6 p.m. to midnight, salsa. Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., blues jam.

**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.

**Surf N'Saddle**, 123 West Plaza Street (Lomas Santa Fe and Highway 101), Solana Beach. 858-755-9474. Friday, *Cold Shower*, rock. Saturday, *the Alternatives*. Wednesday, open mike.

**Tom Giblin's Irish Pub and Restaurant**, 640 Grand Avenue, Carlsbad. 760-729-7234. Thursday and Saturday, 9 p.m., *the Clay Colton Band*, pub rock.

**Tomiko Bar and Grill**, 87 Encinitas Boulevard, Encinitas. 760-633-3587. Saturday, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Ben Powell*, blues/jazz.

## BEACHES

**Bahia Resort Hotel**, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Beach. 858-488-0551. Tangier Lounge: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *John Cain*, jazz/Latin/international and pop standards.

**Beaumont's**, 5662 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla. 858-459-0474. Saturday, 8:30 p.m., *Allison Scull* and *Victor Martin*, jazz/folk.

**Blind Melons**, 710 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-7844. Music is rock/alternative unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Hyde*, *Blindheim*, and *Class of Zero*. Friday, *Unintelligent Design*, *the Simple Minded Soldiers*, *Guerilla Transammo*, and *the Dateless Losers*. Saturday, *Cash'd Out* and *the Dukes of Haggard*, country. Sunday, *Caution*. Monday, *Victoria George*, acoustic. Tuesday, D.A. & *the Hitmen*, blues. Wednesday, *Total Satisfaction* and *Malachi Crunch*.

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**Catamaran**, 3999 Mission Beach Boulevard, San Diego. 858-488-1081. Friday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., *Janet Hammer*, jazz/light pop.

**Chateau Orleans**, 926 Turquoise Street, Pacific Beach. 858-488-6744. Thursday and Saturday, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

**Coaster Saloon**, 744 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-4438. Friday, live rock.

**Dreamstreet**, 2228 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-8131. Music is alternative/rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Soul Ablaze, Torpedo Betty, the Cory Wilkins Band, and the Great Error*. Friday, *Ketchikan, Rockford, Run Honey, Social Suicide, and Triple Flats*. Sunday, *Earl Zero and Roots Covenant*, reggae. Wednesday, *Caskets on Parade, AIV, Lazarus, and Atlas of Id*.

**Elario's Bistro & Sky Lounge** (atop the Hotel La Jolla), 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla. 858-459-0541. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m., *John Cain*, international dance music.

**Excelsior**, 1025 Prospect Street #201 (second floor), La Jolla. 858-454-8092. Friday, hip-hop. Saturday, DJ event, call club for information. Wednesday, *Gilbert Castellanos*, jazz.

**FRESH Seafood Restaurant & Bar**, 1044 Wall Street, La Jolla. 858-551-7575. Tuesday and Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *Adrienne Nims & Spirit Wind*, global jazz.

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

**Hennessey's Tavern (PB)**, 4650 Mission Boulevard, Pacific Beach. 858-483-8847. Saturday, *Triple X*, rock.

**La Valencia Hotel**, 1132 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-454-0771. Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Barry Levich*, jazz. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday, *Rick Ross*, jazz.

**The Liars Club**, 3844 Mission Boulevard, San Diego. 858-488-2340. Saturday, 9 p.m. to midnight, *DJ Le Chud*, rock/ska.

**The Lodge at Torrey Pines**, 11480 N. Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. 619-453-4420. The Grill: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Wednesday, *Dan Papaila*, solo jazz guitar.

**Moondoggies**, 832 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-483-6550. Friday, 10 p.m., *the Disco Pimps*.

**Pacific Beach Bar and Grill**, 860 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-272-7278. Sunday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., live reggae.

**Pasquale on Prospect**, 1250 Prospect Street, La Jolla. 858-456-0722. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., *Nick Fiore, John Giulino, Dave Scott, and Cynthia Hammond*, jazz.

**Qwiigs Bar and Grill**, 5083 Santa Monica Avenue, Ocean Beach. 619-222-1101. Thursday and Sunday, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., *Mike Nelson*, solo jazz guitar. Friday and Saturday, live rock.

**Sandbar Sports Grill**, 718 Ventura Place, Mission Beach. 858-488-1274. Friday, live bands.

**Thrusters**, 4633 Mission Boulevard, Mission Beach. 858-483-6334. Saturday, 8 p.m., *Pickford's Party*, rock/funk. Wednesday, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m., *the Lee Brown Perspective*, jazz.

**Tiki House**, 1152 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach. 858-273-9734. Thursday, call club for information. Friday, *Superunloader*, alternative rock. Saturday, *the Rockin' Blues Hounds*. Sunday, open mike.

**Turquoise Cafe**, 873 Turquoise Street, La Jolla. 858-488-4200. Friday, call club for information. Monday, 8 p.m., *Le String Band 5000*, acoustic jazz/Latin. Tuesday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m., *Tomcat Courtney & the Blues Dusters*, blues.

**Winstons**, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach. 619-222-6822. Music is rock/alternative rock unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *Lymbyc and the Life on Earth*. Friday, *Agua Dulce*, Latin jazz, and *Kumba Dawa*, reggae. Saturday, *Pink Floyd*. Monday, *the Electric Waste Band*. Tuesday, *Meld* and *420 Blackbirdz*. Wednesday, *the Breakfast and Brain Buckit*.

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**Acoustic Music SanDiego**, 4650 Mansfield Street, San Diego. 619-303-8176. Music is acoustic/folk. Thursday, *the Waybacks*. Friday, *Chuck Pyle*. Saturday, *Dave Stamey*. Sunday, *Samite*.

**The Aero Club**, 3365 India Street, San Diego. 619-297-7211. Call club for information.

**The Bahia Belle Cruise**, the Bahia Hotel, 998 West Mission Bay Drive, Mission Bay. 858-539-7779. Departs 6:30 p.m. Friday, *B Natural*, Top 40. Saturday, *Nude Blues*, classic rock.

**Blarney Stone Pub**, 5617 Balboa Avenue, Clairemont. 858-279-2033. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, *Tony Cummins*, Irish folk. Sunday, open mike. Tuesday, Irish jam session. Wednesday, call club for information.

**Borders Books and Music**, 1072 Camino del Rio North, Mission Valley. 619-295-2201. Friday, 8 p.m., *Kai Brown*, acoustic folk.

**Brick by Brick**, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park. 619-275-LIVE. Thursday, *Gogol Bordello* and *Zox*, alternative rock. Tuesday, *Rican, Ione-Angeles, 3rd Degree, Rece, M.T. Hollis, and Black Mafia*, hip-hop/reggae. Wednesday, *the Ras Sojie & One Love Band, Diego Roots* and *Burnt*, reggae.

**Epicentre**, 8450 Mira Mesa Boulevard, Mira Mesa. 858-271-4000. Saturday, *the Subways* and *Satisfaction*, rock.

**First Unitarian Universalist Church of San Diego**, 4190 Front Street, Hillcrest. 619-298-4580. Saturday, 7:30 p.m., *the Mark Freundt Jazz Trio*.

**The Gordon Biersch Brewery**, 5010 Mission Center Road, San Diego. 619-688-1120. Friday, *Rule of Thirds*, blues.

**Harney Sushi**, 3964 Harney Street, San Diego. 619-395-3272. Thursday, *Tribe of Kings*, reggae. Friday and Saturday, DJ events, hip-hop/disco/funk/old skool. Tuesday, *Sean Perry*, electric soul/mash-up.

**Harry's Bar and American Grill**, 4370 La Jolla Village Drive, San Diego. 858-373-1252. Friday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Jaime Valle-Bob Magnusson Jazz Duo*.

**Henry's Pub**, 618 Fifth Avenue, downtown. 619-238-2389. Thursday, *Flock of '80s*. Friday, *DJs Tony Aguilera and Nick Shakes*, dance. Monday, acoustic music. Saturday, groove. Tuesday, *the Siletto's*, rockabilly/swing. Wednesday, *Lady Dottie & the Diamonds*, jazz/blues.

**Hot Monkey Love Cafe**, 5960 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego. 619-582-5908. Sunday, 9:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., *the Manny Cepeda & Gene Perry Duo*, salsa/merengue/Cuban.

**Humphrey's**, Half Moon Inn, 2241 Shelter Island Drive, Shelter Island. 619-224-3577. Backstage Lounge: Thursday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *Indie Limelight*. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to 1 a.m., *the Steely Damned*, jazz/rock. Saturday, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., *Janiva Magness*, 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., *Makai*, dance/disco. Wednesday, 8 p.m. to midnight, *Burt Brion*, smooth jazz.

**The Imperial House**, 505 Kalmia Street, San Diego. 619-234-3525. Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m., *Rick Lyon*, pop standards/Top 40/variety.

**In Cahoots**, 5373 Mission Center Road, Mission Valley. 619-291-8635. Call club for information.

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**Kitima Thai Restaurant**, 406 University Avenue, Hillcrest. 619-298-2929. Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Wednesday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Jim Gala Jazz Trio*.

**Lestat's Coffeehouse**, 3343 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-282-0437. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, *the Ex-friends*, *Devon Sproule*, and *Anna Troy*. Friday, *Lindsey Troy*, *Todd Hannagin*, and *Jaime Robb*. Saturday, *the Coyote Problem*, *Renata Youngblood*, and *Tim Mudd*. Sunday, *John-Mark*, *Curtis Peoples*, *Stripped-Down Hollywood*, and *Hodges Taylor*. Monday, open mike. Wednesday, *Hamell on Trial*.

**Lifepoint Cafe**, 4698 Alvarado Canyon Road, Suite A, San Diego. 619-750-3537. Sunday, 7 p.m., *Kim DiVincenzo* and *Kyle Phelan*, acoustic folk.

**Magnolia's**, 336 Euclid Avenue, San Diego. 619-262-6005. Sunday, 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., *the Lee Brown Perspective*, jazz.

**Mister A's**, 2550 Fifth Avenue, San Diego. 619-239-1377. Thursday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, 9:30 p.m., *Jason Weber*, jazz saxophone.

**O'Connell's Pub and Nightclub**, 1310 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park. 619-276-5637. Friday, 9 p.m., *the Citizen Band*, *Deadline Friday*, and *Sweet Tooth*, rock. Saturday, 9 p.m., *Paradise*, *Four Eyes*, and *Drop Joy*, rock. Tuesday, 9 p.m., *the Ruminants*, *Individual Destruction Sequence*, and *Rich White Males*, hard rock/punk/metal. Wednesday, 8 p.m., *Matthew Foster*, *Eben Brooks*, *Alfonso DelaEspriella*, *Ketchikan*, *Podunk Nowhere*, and *Anthony Gravino*, rock.

**The Ould Sod**, 3373 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-6594. Friday, *Brax*, folk/country. Tuesday, traditional Irish jam session.

**Pal Joey's**, 5147 Waring Road, Allied Gardens. 619-286-7873. Friday and Saturday, *Night Shift*, classic rock.

**Ramada Inn**, 5550 Kearny Mesa Road, San 619-596-9777. The Oasis: Friday, live blues. Saturday, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., *DJ D2*, old-skool/dance mix.

**The Rhythm Lounge**, 3048 Midway Drive, San Diego. 619-224-4835. Thursday, 8 p.m., *Raven White*, *Eternal Unbon*, gothic/punk rock/terror.

**Riley's**, 2901 Nimitz Boulevard, Point Loma. 619-255-8635. Thursday, classic rock. Friday, *the Bluecasters*. Saturday, *Nite Life*, blues.

**Rosie O'Grady's**, 3402 Adams Avenue, Normal Heights. 619-284-7666. Friday and Saturday, live rock.

**St. David's Episcopal Church**, 5050 Milton Street, San Diego. 619-276-4567. Sunday, 7 p.m., *Diane Snodgrass*, classical harp.

**Second Wind**, 8515 Navajo Road, San Carlos. 619-465-1730. Friday and Saturday, 619, classic rock.

**Sham Rocks Shack**, 7059 El Cajon Boulevard (half block east of 70th Street), College Area. 619-463-2263. Friday and Saturday, DJ events, hip-hop/R&B/rap.

**Shenanigans Irish Pub**, 7030 University Avenue, La Mesa. 668-1256. Traditional Irish music.

**Soma**, 3350 Sports Arena Boulevard, San Diego. 619-226-SOMA. Music is rock/alternative. Thursday, *Augustana* and *the Damnwells*. Friday, *Matchbox Romance*, *Silverstein*, *the Early November*, *Amber Pacific*, and *I Am Ghost*. Saturday, *Anti-Flag*, *the Casualties*, *the Unseen*, *Smoke or Fire*, and *the AKAs*. Sunday, *Horror Pops*, *Aggrolites*, and *the Tossers*. Tuesday, *Every Time I Die* and *Haste the Day*. Wednesday, *the Night Fell Silent*, *At All Costs*, *His Irate Life*, *the 25th Hour*, and *Dark Horse*.

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**Extra info:** Defamation League made news recently for writing the songs featured on a porno movie that was played over UCSD's closed-circuit campus TV channel.

Defamation League calls their brand of music "grit-hop"; it's "gangsta rap"

without the gang affiliation. The major themes are all there: crime, sex, and anger

7 p.m. to 10 p.m., *the Manny Cepeda & Gene Perry Duo*, salsa/merengue/Cuban.

**Tio Leo's Lounge**, 5302 Napa Street (at Morena Boulevard), Bay Park. 619-542-1462. Thursday, *the Rockiin' Aces*, rockabilly/swing. Friday, *the Fremonts*, blues. Saturday, *the Blazers*, swing. Monday, tango. Tuesday, zydeco blues. Wednesday, 7 p.m., *the High Society Jazz Band*.

**Tutto Mare**, 4365 Executive Drive, La Jolla (Golden Triangle area). 858-597-1188. Monday, 6 p.m. to

9 p.m., *the Capriccio String Quartet*, classical music. Wednesday, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., *the Jaime Valle Quartet*, Brazilian and mainstream jazz.

**Twiggs Tea and Coffee Company**, 4590 Park Boulevard, University Heights. 619-296-0616. Music is acoustic/folk unless otherwise noted. Thursday, 8:30 p.m., *Brian Benham*, *Elmo Jack*, *Kellis David*, and *Tara Jo*. Friday, *Amy Ayres*, *Josh Hall*, *Megan Connelly*, *the Peter Rutman Blues & Jazz Band*, *Quincy*, and *Camille Bloom*. Saturday, *Christie Leigh*, *Dan Tedesco*, *Grand*

toward an undefined establishment. From song to song, the lyrics are simple and interchangeable. They're all about guns, knives, theft, murder, and all manner of dirty business that I doubt these three Ocean Beach kids commit.

Some songs focus on violence, some on sex, but the basic subjects are always present, except in the tenth track, "Autobiography"; it's an account of how the three MCs started the band after being high school rivals. It features an orchestral violin background with guitar work that conveys the sentimental feeling of how the guys "made it."

Most of the songs have a melodic symphony background song mixed, cut, scratched, and beat-juggled in with sophistication uncommon to the San Diego hip-



Defamation League

hop scene. "All Business" opens with an especially good scratch solo. The scratching on the other songs seems like an afterthought. All in all, *The Anatomy of Grit-Hop* is surprisingly seasoned and refined with professional production.

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619-284-DEAD. Thursday, *the Koffin Kats*, psychobilly. Sunday, 10 p.m., *Dark Skies*, *the Fabulous Rudies*, and *Straight Trippin'*, rock/reggae/ska.

## DOWNTOWN

**Belo**, 919 Fourth Street, Gaslamp. 619-231-9200. Main Room: Thursday and Friday, *Rags*. Saturday, *DJ Palash*, *Boris MD*, and *Austin Scott*.

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*Christy's on the lam for splitting his father's skull with a loy, a thin-bladed shovel.*

**G**reat news! New Village Arts has found a space. The young North County company on every critic's A-list signed a five-year lease with the City of Carlsbad. They hope to inaugurate their new theater in October with Beth Henley's *Crimes of the Heart*. Now if the City of San Diego would follow suit for its homeless companies....

NVA's current offering showcases why it's so deserving. John Millington Synge's *Playboy of the Western World* is one of the 20th Century's finest, and most difficult-to-stage, plays. Like Chekhov, Synge thought in terms of mosaics, rather than conventional dramatic structures, and the gap between words and deeds. First produced in 1907, *Playboy's* a Rabelaisian sprawl of poetic language, inside of which lurk more layers than a geological dig.

The grandiose title suggests a priapic on Viagra. But like so much in the play, it's an inflation. Since to most it was all they knew, locals called Ireland's west coast county districts the "western world." And the "playboy," Christy Mahon, "has a prison behind him, and hanging before, and hell's gap gaping below." The mud-caked fugitive, "a dunce who never reached his second book," stumbles into Bottom's Dream.

Synge based the play on a documented inci-

dent: when they found out a stranger had committed murder, Aran islanders protected him from the authorities. One of the many things *Playboy* does is wonder why.

Christy's on the lam for splitting his father's skull with a loy, a thin-bladed shovel used for digging post-holes. When the denizens of Mayo's "wild coast" hear he killed his father, they *laud* Christy. As young Shawn remarks, "Bravery's a treasure in a lonesome place."

In Synge's day, Mayo was Ireland's poorest region, "a waste of turf and bog," one wag claimed (Martin McDonagh's fairly recent *Cripple of Inishmaan* and *Beauty Queen of Leenane* second that notion). If half the yarns laced through *Playboy* are true — and Synge swears they all are — Mayo was also Ireland's most primitive: like the lads who drove a maniac "raving and foaming" into the sea to drown; or the man who, kicked in the head by a red mare, killed horses "a great while," then ate the insides of a clock and died. Amid such mayhem, the likes of Christy could keep danger from the door.

He becomes the Mayo equivalent of a rock star. Women, including the volatile Pegeen Mike, flock to Christy, even though, the legend aside, he's no great shakes. And for a while he rides the

## REVIEW

JEFF SMITH



*The Playboy of the Western World*

**The Playboy of the Western World**, by John Millington Synge  
**New Village Arts**, Studio Space at Jazzercise, Inc., 2460 Impala Drive, Carlsbad. 760-433-3245.  
**Directed by Kristianne Kurner and Francis Gercke**; cast: Joshua Everett Johnson, Jessica John, Kristianne Kurner, Francis Gercke, Tim West, Brandon Walker, Pat Moran, Jack Missett, Rachael VanWormer, Aurora RuPert, Monique Fleming, Grace Delaney; scenic design, Kristianne Kurner; costumes, Michelle Hunt; lighting, Eric Lotze; sound, Joshua Everett Johnson  
**Playing through April 11**; Thursday through Saturday at 8:00 p.m. Sunday at 7:00 p.m. 760-433-3245.

**Intimate Apparel**, by Lynn Nottage  
**Directed by Delicia Turner Sonnenberg**; cast: Lisa Renee Pitts, Michael A. Shepperd, Lisel Gorell-Getz, Lisa H. Payton, Lance Smith, Sylvia M'Lafi Thompson; scenic design, Fred Kinney; costumes, Jennifer Brawn Gittings; lighting, Jennifer Setlow; sound, Stephanie Robinson  
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Lisa Renee Pitts, Lisel Gorell-Getz in *Intimate Apparel*

bandwagon, even wins a tough race. But the resurrection of his father (resurrection, “Christy,” “son of Mahon”: Syngeian biblical encodings) and a second murder attempt (and second coming) collapse the dream.

“In a good play,” Synge writes in his preface, “every speech should be as fully flavored as a nut or apple.” *Playboy*, an all-time favorite of mine, is one of the few dramas that can pass the test. Everyone’s a combination, as Pegeen says, of “savagery and fine words.” New Village Arts’ in many ways capable production could use more of each. In one respect, it’s too authentic. The Irish accents are so thick, the “fine words” get lost, whole speeches in some cases. Thinning out the lilt would let the poetry come through.

Kristianne Kurner’s set, a country public house hearthlit by Eric Lotze, abounds with rustic details. But since Synge wanted a “very rough and untidy,” savage atmosphere, the set (and Michelle Hunt’s otherwise excellent costumes) is a mite too picturesque: the bottles’re lined too straight.

On the plus side, quality ensemble acting’s become an NVA trademark. It’s a pleasure to watch everyone connect in a large cast. Codirectors Kurner and Francis Gercke are especially adept at group scenes: swirls of fervor around Christy, swaggering drunks, spectators re-creating a race through their words and wide eyes. Tim West and Brandon Walker head the support group, as blustery Michael James Flaherty and skittish Shawn Keogh, of whom Pegeen observes, “That lad would wear the spirits from the saints of peace.”

Joshua Everett Johnson, as dazed Christy “mounted on the springtide of the stars of luck,” and Jessica John, as barefooted Pegeen the pistol, show why they won San Diego Critics Circle awards for lead performances in 2005. Each excels, and their tandem scenes flow like a dance, one leads, then follows, then vice versa, as Christy’s status shifts from a “gallous story to a dirty deed.”

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*Playboy* explores the gap, in an oral culture like Mayo’s, be-

tween word and fact. Christy’s act is valiant in words but violent in person, and we watch the growth and deflation of a legend. Lynne Nottage’s *Intimate Apparel*, currently at the San Diego Rep, explores similar territory. What gets said in letters turns out to be far from actuality.

Daughter of freed slaves, 35-year-old Esther sews unmentionables at a 1905 New York rooming house for women. She’s worked 26 years “without a day’s rest” and has never known love. Her corsets link her with socialites and prostitutes (who, if not separated by race and social class, would discover they had much in common, including unmentionable desires). When Esther corresponds with George Armstrong, a West Indian on the Panama Canal’s construction crew, a verbal love grows. Her work bridges disparate women, his bridges oceans; surely they’re a match.

When a play’s first act concludes with a marriage, you can pretty much tell what will follow. What helps overcome the second act’s predictability is Esther’s plight. She’s so innocent, so deserving of something good (a titch more of either and she’d float straight to paradise). Yet her choices, like those of the play’s other women, are corseted by society and circumstance.

*Intimate Apparel* moves with an old-fashioned feel and speed. As in turn-of-the-century novels, scenes develop slowly. The play’s strength, as in the works of August Wilson: Nottage gives voice not only to people history has overlooked, but also to people who have trouble speaking for themselves.

Though at times the acting verges on declamation, *Intimate Apparel* is one of the San Diego Rep’s strongest productions in some time. Everything has texture, from thickly patterned wallpaper, and a red brick wall that disappears, to the sheen of silks and bridal veils. Director Delicia Turner Sonnenberg enhances these qualities with a visual subtext: the characters speak as much with their hands as their words; their “touch,” in fact, often defines them, be it gentle, like Mr. Marks, the Hasidic fabric merchant, or brusque, like George.

Lisa Renee Pitts gives Esther a sculptor’s hands. In a moving, understated, intricate performance, Pitts reveals volumes about the humble woman just by the way Esther works a foot-propelled sewing machine and carefully prepares clothing so intimate that few will ever appreciate her artistry. ■

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Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice's musical — Eva Peron Superstar? — has less substance than a tabloid exposé. It shuffles through the rise of Eva Duarte so fast because it wants to make the Argentine sinner/saint a mystery, when it turns out the composing team just didn't know much about her (or Ché Guevara, or the evils of *peronismo*, for that matter). *Evita* has a splashy style and rousing music, and these stand out in the Welk Resort Theatre's production. Slick-haired Doug Bilitch is coolly understated as Juan Peron (whose draconian tactics raised murder and "disappearances" to a new level and who had Evita mummified). Aided by Ambra Wakefield's iconic costumes and Jennifer Edwards-Northover's red-lavender lighting, Laura Dickenson looks and sings Evita capably, though she could stoke the furnace a bit more. Jenn Grinels makes the most of a cameo when, as Peron's rejected mistress, she sings one of the show's best tunes, "Another Suitcase in Another Hall." Danny Bolero's Guevara fascinates. He has the requisite angry puzzlement but also throws in a mocking, clownish attitude that fills in some of the book's wide gaps. To Bolero's credit, and also director/choreographer Sha Newman, this is the first *Evita* I've seen (out of maybe five or six) that gets the point of view right: it's a reverie in Guevara's mind. Newman also deserves credit for brisk stage movement, a textual trim job, and rich Latino spirit. **Worth a try.**

WELK RESORT THEATRE, 8860 LAWRENCE WELK DRIVE, ESCONDIDO, THROUGH APRIL 2; TUESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE TUESDAY THROUGH THURSDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 1:45 P.M. 760-749-3448.

### Intimate Apparel

Reviewed this issue. LYCEUM STAGE, 79 HORTON PLAZA, DOWNTOWN, THROUGH APRIL 9; WEDNESDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-544-1000.

### Into the Woods

"Happy endings can spring a leak / Ever after can mean one week," jaded lovers sing in Stephen Sondheim's *Do I Hear a Waltz?* As if to prove the point, Sondheim borrowed Rapunzel, Jack and the Beanstalk, Cinderella, and Little Red Riding Hood from the brothers Grimm and sent them back into the woods as adults. The result: A *Midsummer Night's Dream* redux, comically harrowing afterlives. *Woods* premiered at the Old Globe 20 years ago (it's amazing to compare this trimmed version to the original's ungainly thickets and Sondheim's hipper-than-thou pseudo-nihilism). It's currently enjoying a spritely mounting at Lamb's Players. Best of show, in fact, is the cast's obvious pleasure in doing it. Even the performers' squeaks, and they are legion, are perfect pitch. Director Robert Smyth has orchestrated a track meet over and through Mike Buckley's cardboard cutout set (gnarled Rorschach faces embedded in the trees; leaf fossils on the ground). Nate Parde's sunlight bright and gloomy red lighting enhances tragic and comic moods, and Jeanne Reith's costumes, from Little Red's big red cape to woody peasant garb, are excellent. It's unfair to single out individuals from the ensemble, since all contribute to an always-entertaining, if undemanding, evening of theater. (Note: due to popular demand, Lamb's has extended the run of *Into the Woods*.)

#### **Worth a try.**

LAMB'S PLAYERS THEATRE, 1142 ORANGE AVENUE, CORONADO, THROUGH MARCH 26; THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AT 4:00 P.M. AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-437-0600.

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### The King and I

Lyric Opera San Diego stages Rodgers and Hammerstein's popular musical (their first based on a true story) about an American governor and the King of Siam. J. Sherwood Montgomery directed. STEPHEN AND MARY BIRCH NORTH



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### Late-Nite Catechism

As part of its "Off Nites at NCRT," the North Coast Repertory Theatre reprises its hit show, an interactive adult catechism class, taught by a sister from the spare-not-the-rod school. The concept doesn't sound like much. The sister is substituting (it's the regular teacher's poker night, don't tell a soul). She used to teach but was deemed too strict for contemporary students. The sister's authoritarianism takes the class to unforeseen places (you can hear cries of recognition from the audience, especially when she taps a hard ruler against her palm). The results: an evening of almost non-stop comedy and a thought-coaxing look at religion, education, and much more. The sister, it turns out, is not kidding.

#### **Worth a try.**

NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH MAY 22. (NOTE: LATE-NITE RUNS IN REPERTORY WITH LATE-NITE CATECHISM 2. FOR DAYS AND TIMES CALL 858-481-1055.)

### Late-Nite Catechism 2

North Coast Repertory Theatre presents the sequel to Maripat Donovan's popular audience-participation show, which claims, "Sometimes we feel guilty because we ARE guilty." NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, THROUGH MAY 23; RUNNING IN REPERTORY WITH LATE-NITE CATECHISM. 858-481-1055.

### Man from Nebraska

South Coast Repertory Theatre presents Tracy Letts's Pulitzer

Prize-finalist about Ken Carpenter's loss of faith and odyssey of self-discovery. William Friedkin (of film fame) directed.

JULIANNE ARGYROS STAGE, SOUTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 655 TOWN CENTRE DRIVE, COSTA MESA, THROUGH APRIL 2; TUESDAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT 7:45 P.M. MATINEE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 714-708-5555.

### My Fair Lady

Cygnnet Theatre celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Lerner and Loewe classic with a pared-down version. The company hasn't solved all the technical problems of shifting from epic to intimate (slides projected on the rear wall also project on the actors, piped-in music), but the performances are winners, and the production offers inventive twists. Ron Choularton plays Eliza Dolittle's father, Alfred P., as if to his ill manners born. Sean Cox's ardent tenor rendition of "On the Street Where You Live" stops the show. As do Jeanne Reith's costumes, especially when a transformed Eliza appears before the ball, radiant as a star. Instead of Rex Harrison and Audrey Hepburn emblazoned across Cinemascope, Sean Murray's Henry Higgins and Amy Biedel's Eliza are much more finite and human — and malleable. Both sing well (and Murray often sings the songs Harrison spoke). In a surprising update, Cygnnet changed the ending. It doesn't promise the happily-ever-after kind that George Bernard Shaw, on whose *Pygmalion* the musical is based, hated. Let's just say it suggests that Henry's and Eliza's post-musical lives might be more fulfilling than Shaw's sterile account, and much more adult. At Cygnnet, *My Fair Lady's* come a long way, baby!

#### **Worth a try.**

CYGNET THEATRE COMPANY, 6663 EL

CAJON BOULEVARD, COLLEGE AREA, THROUGH APRIL 23; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 619-337-1525 X3.

### National Comedy Theatre

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

#### **Worth a try.**

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### The Nerd

North Coast Repertory Theatre states Larry Shue's comedy about a

seeming dolt who may be the wisest one of all. David Hay directed. NORTH COAST REPERTORY THEATRE, 987D LOMAS SANTA FE DRIVE, SOLANA BEACH, THROUGH APRIL 16; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. 858-481-1055.

### Nickel and Dimed

Mesa College Theatre company presents Joan Holden's piece, based on Barbara Ehrenreich's book about "life on minimum wage" in America.

APOLLIAD THEATER, SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE, 7250 MESA COLLEGE DRIVE, KEARNY MESA, THROUGH MARCH 26; FRIDAY AND SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 619-388-2672.

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### The Playboy of the Western World

Reviewed this issue. STUDIO SPACE AT JAZZERCISE, INC., 2460 IMPALA DRIVE, CARLSBAD, THROUGH APRIL 1; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. 760-433-3245.

### San Diego Theatresports: The FunHouse

A cross between improvisational comedy and *Family Feud*. Improv, making up a funny scene as you go along, is tough enough. Add competitive scene making, with the audience awarding points to the winning team. Purists might balk at the odiousness of comparisons used in this format, but the "game show" — on Fridays — is a hoot. The 90-minute evening offers different bits. The show I caught had "Team Sports" — two pairs of players competed, taking suggestions from the audience; and "Gorilla Theatre" — five directors invented scenes, using the other four as actors. The winner got a banana, the loser a "forfeit" (other formats include "Micetro" and "Improv Survivors"). Some attempts went nowhere (I repeat: improv is tough; I did it in my, as hindsight reveals, callow youth). Others made amazing twists and turns. The group makes the hits much more frequent than the misses. Their guru, Keith Johnstone, wrote one of the very best books I've ever read about mak-

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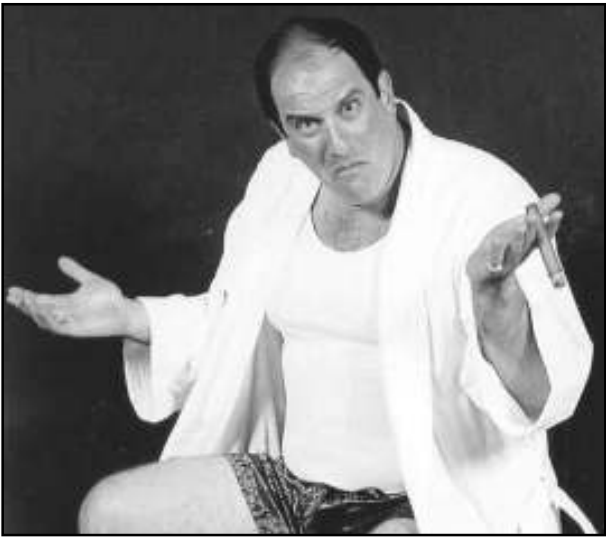
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Hugh Butternutt’s done his lounge act at the Triple Espresso Coffeehouse 20 years to the day. While patrons sip a house blend — “Grape,” “Scandinavian Blizzard,” or “Mokoko Cocoa Mocha” — Hugh plays ’70s tunes on the piano. He and his companions, here to celebrate Hugh’s anniversary, got

stuck in the ’70s. The trio used to be Maxwell, Butternutt, and Bean, a comedy group that never went far. They’re “losers,” they admit, but not “ordinary” ones. And, hey, their reunion could help them face searing issues from their mediocre pasts. A formulaic story line? Yep. Straight from *Forever Plaid*. There’s also the *Forever Plaid* problem: the three comedians are far too talented

to play inept characters. One’s a whiz at the piano. Another’s a first-rate mime, and the third’s a crack-erjack magician. The trio is so talented, when the plot has them complain of difficulties to overcome, you wish they’d quit trumping up the pseudo-drama and get on with this highly entertaining, if lightweight show. (Note: the original cast members have been replaced.)  
**Worth a try.**  
HORTON GRAND THEATRE, 444 FOURTH AVENUE, GLASLAMP QUARTER, OPEN-ENDED RUN; WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY AT 7:30 P.M. FRIDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SATURDAY AT 5:00 AND 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 3:00 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. 619-234-9583.

**The Twilight of the Golds**  
Rob Stein’s biotech company can identify genetic predispositions. His wife, Suzanne, becomes pregnant. Why not check for danger signs? When they do, in Jonathan Tolins’ comedy-drama, they find that the fetus, a left-handed boy, might be gay. What they should do about “that trait” unravels the Golds, Suzanne’s allegedly liberal family. Though one could wish that Tolins had written thicker characters, *Twilight* raises major issues about a future fast upon us. And though Di-

versionary Theatre hasn’t solved all the script problems (including Tolins’ sitcom urge to leaven too many dramatic moments with jokes), Rosina Reynold’s deft direction rebalances the play’s emphases and humanizes stereotypes. It also raises another question: where did Matthew Weeden come from? A new face, he’s terrific as young David Gold, the gay son forced to reject his family. With sharp comic timing and emotional range, Weeden takes the stage with the assurance of a vet. As does Amanda Sitton as hyper Suzanne who, for once, won’t go the “easy way.” Overall, the acting’s uneven, especially the cameos, but Glynn Beddington’s, as the mother who will “say nothing,” is a heart-grabber. David Weiner’s epic-minimalist set includes Wagnerian mountains and Brunhilde’s flames (and roiling waters when Jeff Fightmaster’s lights turn blue-gray).

*Twilight* premiered in 1993. Its dated topical references make it a period piece, but its ethical questions are right this minute.  
**Worth a try.**  
DIVERSIONARY THEATRE, 4545 PARK BOULEVARD, UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, THROUGH APRIL 9; THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY AT 8:00 P.M. SUNDAY AT 7:00 P.M. MATINEE SUNDAY AT 2:00 P.M. MONDAY PERFORMANCE, APRIL 3 AT 7:30 P.M. 619-220-0097.

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# Your Way to Dinner

Are you the kind of cook who tosses a frozen entrée into the oven before clicking on the TV remote? Do you stop for takeout on the way home or order out nightly from the nearest Chinese? In that case, you probably won't be interested in cooking magazines. If, on the other hand, you read the recipes on the back of the Rice-A-Roni box (and occasionally try one of them) or come home from a restaurant and attempt to duplicate the chef's tastiest dish, there's a cooking magazine out there with your name on it.

Food magazines are burgeoning, their circulation largely fed by baby boomers saying "never again" to Mom's Spanish rice from the back of the Minute Rice box. (When my mother served this "Creole" delicacy, I dubbed it "Rice Cruel.") Today there are publications for every level of cooking skill and taste. Crazy for pork? You might enjoy *Pig International*. Wanna reincarnate Mom? *Frozen Food Age* might be the ticket. But here's an overview of the less specialized magazines, the ones we go to for recipes, inspiration, armchair travels, and daydreams of a sweeter lifestyle. You can find them at the checkout stand or on the news rack, subscribe directly or via Amazon.com — or you can access their sites from Google.com by typing in the names. They're arranged here in ascending level of the skill, cost, and time you'd need to prepare a typical recipe. (Note: No Martha Stewart magazines are included in this roundup. Some years ago, Stewart was sued and assessed damages for outright plagiarism, having ripped off numerous recipes word-for-word from other cookbook authors, including the redoubtable Barbara Kafka. Lazy Stewart's been off my list ever since.)

## FOR FRESHMEN

*Family Circle* and *Woman's Day* (available at grocery checkout stands and by subscription, at [www.familycircle.com](http://www.familycircle.com) and [www.womansday.com](http://www.womansday.com)). These magazines were fabulous sources of recipes and inspirations when I was a young married with two paperback cookbooks on my shelf and no technique beyond Mom's broiling and boiling. I especially liked their occasional spreads on ethnic menus — in fact, I'm still using recipes clipped from an ancient "Greek cooking" *FC* issue (though I've modified them over the centuries since publication). The magazines are inexpensive



and easy to find, and so are the ingredients they require.

*Cookbook Digest* (\$25.97, 6 issues). It's small, cute, lightweight, and approachable (printed on newsprint), shows up on checkout stands, and looks as if it's aimed at fledgling cooks. The recipes are culled from recent cookbooks. The rub? They're mainly from dumped-on-the-market cookbooks, not those from top chefs and authors. I subscribed for a year and *hated* it — didn't anybody ever test those recipes? NOT RECOMMENDED.

*Cuisine at Home* (\$22 for 6 issues, [www.cuisineathome.com](http://www.cuisineathome.com)). In business for about four years, this magazine focuses on recipes from the American heartland and from America's favorite ethnic cuisines, with lots of basic, useful information (e.g., how to buy lamb, how to use various types of rice). It's printed with larger-than-usual type and color photos on heavy unglazed paper, hole-punched for handy notebook storage, and runs about 60 pages per issue. Some recipe sections are by "name" authors, e.g., Italian pasta recipes from Mary Ann Esposito,

pizzas from Wolfgang Puck. Other features include basic technique, cookware reviews, and ingredient tastings. I haven't subscribed (they've been sending me free "teaser" issues), but this looks like a winner for beginners, and for intermediate cooks looking for shortcuts and slick techniques.

## RECIPES

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## SOPHS ON UP

*Cook's Illustrated* (\$24.95 for six issues, [cooksillustrated.com](http://cooksillustrated.com)). This slim (33-page) black-and-white magazine, printed on heavy matte paper, is illustrated with drawings and carries no outside advertising. Each issue includes a few recipes for culinary classics (e.g., herb-roasted turkey, buttermilk mashed potatoes, Provençal beef stew), rigorously worked over and written with an identical, clinical tone. The staff are food scientists rather than foodies — producing technically flawless dishes and precise recipes. For any cook who feels shaky about technique, the recipes for dishes you like are probably worth keeping as benchmarks for correct procedure. But the slant is New England, not California, and you may want to fiddle with flavorings to adapt the recipes to your tastes. Other

features include readers' kitchen-technique tricks, tests of kitchen products, and ingredient tastings. The tasting panels are also "back East," so the brands in our groceries may not be tested, and the recommended brands may not be available here. A new sister magazine, *Cooks' Country* (\$19.95 for six issues), focuses on American heartland recipes, rather than international classics, and involves more audience participation, with recipes from readers. Dubbing *Cook's Illustrated* and all its products "America's Test Kitchen," editor Christopher Kimball has built a cottage industry, complete with cookbooks, TV shows, videos, etc. The magazine's website offers opportunities to enter recipe contests or to "become a recipe-tester for us" (mainly for *Cooks' Country*), but you have to pay separately to access the online archives containing 12 years of recipes and articles (\$25 per year, or \$4 per month, or \$20 per year if you also subscribe to the magazine; free two-week test subscriptions are available online).

*Sunset Magazine* (\$16.95 for 12 issues, [www.sunset.com](http://www.sunset.com)). Many of the recipes are contributed by readers like you, but they're retested in the magazine's kitchens to make sure they work. (My all-time favorite contributor is Roxanne Chan from the Bay Area — a multiple cooking-contest winner with a great grasp of how to do fusion food at home.) Recipes are easy, interesting, mainly pretty quick, and they fit into our Western lifestyle. On other magazine pages, you can learn how to renovate your patio, tend your garden, and discover neat places to visit within a thousand miles of home.

*Fine Cooking* (\$29.95 for seven issues, [www.FineCooking.com](http://www.FineCooking.com)). From Taunton Press, this magazine is printed in color on heavy, high-gloss paper. Readers chiming in on Amazon.com's magazine ratings compare it to a thicker, prettier, and more interesting version of *Cook's Illustrated* — with personality in the writing. Big names like Lidia Bastianich and Perla Meyers provide recipes and/or intense studies of a single ingredient, e.g., vanilla. Back-page articles focus on small-scale farmers and food purveyors, lending insights into where (and how) good food happens. I subscribed to this one for a year, dropping it only because I was drowning in food-related print.

  
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## JUNIOR YEAR ABROAD

*Intermezzo* (\$19 for six issues, [www.intermezzomagazine.com](http://www.intermezzomagazine.com)). This is a relatively new publication covering international food, wine, homes and gardens, and travel. On Amazon.com, subscribers praise it for its sophisticated but simple recipes, mainly featuring easy-to-find ingredients, and for its “non-snotty” travel coverage. The recipe index on its website reads like a treasure-trove of yummys. I’m so impressed, I intend to subscribe.

*Bon Appetit* (\$15 for 12 issues, [www.BonAppetit.com](http://www.BonAppetit.com); recipes also appear on [www.Epicurious.com](http://www.Epicurious.com)). This and *Gourmet* are the 800-pound gorillas of the food mags — the oldest and fattest of the lot. (And *Cook’s Illustrated*, is, I suppose, the 100-pound gorilla.) Published out of Los Angeles and edited by Barbara Fairchild, *Bon Ap* aims to feed every taste. I probably clip more recipes from this medium-thick (average 125 pages) glossy magazine than from any other and am more inclined to actually use them. One regular column gives restaurant recipes that readers have requested — tested and adapted by the staff to make any needed changes for home use. (Chef recipes often need tweaking — changing the number of servings may call for an adjustment in proportions or procedures.) The bulk of the articles highlight recipes by highly reputed chefs and cookbook authors — either a full menu (seasonal or ethnic), or variations on a particular ingredient, or an array of favored ingredients or techniques. Recent authors have included Lydie Marshall, Joyce Goldstein, Bruce Aidells, and Nancy Oakes. Each issue also includes a feature on entertaining: Somebody (not a food pro) throws a party (ranging from patio barbecues to formal dinners), a photographer snaps it,

and here are the photos, the menu, a minute-by-minute cooking schedule, and recipes, just in case you’d care to replicate somebody else’s feast. Other features include staff-written “Fast, Easy, Fresh” recipes and “Too Busy to Cook?” with readers’ home recipes for easy weeknight cookery. “Bon Vivant” displays photos of stylish high-priced housewares, while “On the Calendar” lists regional food festivals. Since this is a West Coast publication, the occasional restaurant recommendations may even include San Diego. This mag is a great choice for moderately skilled cooking enthusiasts seeking ideas, inspiration, and workable recipes for all occasions.

## SENIOR COOKS (WITH MONEY AND TIME)

*Gourmet* (\$20 for 12 issues, [www.Gourmet.com](http://www.Gourmet.com); recipes also appear on [www.Epicurious.com](http://www.Epicurious.com)). From here on out, we’re in the “lifestyles” magazines, aimed at six-figure incomes (although many subscribers are in the mid-fives or even less). If you look at Junior League cookbooks from across the country, you’ll find them rife with recipes clipped from *Gourmet* and barely modified for republication by hostesses with domestic help to do the actual cooking. But former *NY Times* restaurant critic Ruth Reichl, now ensconced as editor, has livened up a publication that, ten years ago, had grown stale and repetitious, endlessly recycling the same classic recipes. The slant remains upscale, with features on kitchen makeovers, chic restaurants to visit, and chic travel destinations (e.g., luxury hotels featuring full pampering for about \$500 per night — plus spa fees). But the recipes — whether reader-requested restaurant dishes or features by famed chefs and authors — are often worthwhile, especially if you’ve got money for the ingredients, time to

shop or order online, and leisure for careful cooking. There are some quick recipes, too, but they’re not the focus. Reichl’s cheerful persona makes the whole fancy-schmancy thing seem like a rich bohemian’s idyll in the realm of hip, well-traveled taste.

*Food and Wine* (\$19.99 for 12 issues, [www.foodandwine.com](http://www.foodandwine.com)). Wine shares the spotlight here with food, ranging from “bargains” (we ain’t talking Two-Buck Chuck) to price-no-object. Recent issues have included Jacques Pépin’s roast goose, Michael Mina’s family Christmas dinner, Charles Pham’s Vietnamese family dinner, Paula Wolfert’s Mediterranean recipes, plus elegant menus for entertaining (awing) a crowd. When rare ingredients (e.g., natural unhydrogenated lard) are used, you’ll find a source either as a footnote or in a section at the back. There’s a regular monthly feature of “fast” recipes suitable for rushed two-career couples who still want to eat well at home. Features include taste tests, chic tablewares, restaurants (even, occasionally, San Diego restaurants!). Travel features run to high-end choices (e.g., hotels costing at least \$300 per night in nations where most luxury accommodations are under \$120). It reads a bit “nouveau riche,” but lots of the recipes are excellent and doable for moderately skilled home chefs.

*Saveur* (\$29.95 for nine issues, [www.saveur.com](http://www.saveur.com)). The subtitle is “A World of Authentic Cuisine.” Editor Colman Andrews (erstwhile boyfriend of *Gourmet* editor Ruth Reichl) eventually parlayed his globetrotting import-export business into a second career as a food maven and cookbook author. Having used his cookbook recipes for dishes from areas where I’ve traveled, I’m sometimes slightly skeptical of their authenticity — his sources seem to be middle-class business ac-

quaintances rather than sidewalk carts or marketplaces — but at least he journeys to eat where few others have gone. His magazine is chatty, sophisticated, and heavy on food-slanted travel features (featuring, for a change, moderate-price hotels at uncommon destinations). Recipes may be on the recherché side, with hard-to-find ingredients like bull meat. (Substitutes are suggested, and “The Pantry” section in the back gives sources for many but not all the rare substances.) The body of the magazine features both celebrity chefs’ and just-plain-celebrities’ recipes, e.g., Texas musician Joe Gracy’s formula for country-fried steak (a keeper). A wine-tasting column and listings of worldwide seasonal food festivals are included. Experienced, adventurous cooks and travelers will find these pages rewarding, if you don’t mind the underlying assumption that cost is no object.

## POST-GRADUATE STUDIES

*Vogue* ([www.vogue.com](http://www.vogue.com), currently \$12 for 12 issues, including a concurrent subscription to *Vanity Fair*). You’ll have to plow through the whole two-ton array of fashion spreads and rub-and-sniff perfume ads to get to Jeffrey Steingarten’s near-monthly exhaustive experiments with the hardest-to-find ingredients (e.g., Italian *lardo*) and most obscure cooking equipment (a whole-pig cooker) — and then you’ll have to go to the Web or send him a postcard to get any recipes he’s kind enough to bestow on us plebes. But this is delicious writing from a spoiled, passionate, and vastly curious foodie/perfectionist.

*Gastronomica, the Journal of Food and Culture* (\$45 for four issues, [www.gastronomica.org](http://www.gastronomica.org)). A scholarly journal (with some recipes) that looks at food anthropologically, in panoramas or in microscopic

detail. Names you may find in its pages: Su-Mei Yu, Charles Perry, Kitty Morse, and the *Reader’s* own Jeanne Schinto. At the price they charge, it’s aimed at readers with a serious passion for food and plenty of time for reading; however, back issues are currently on sale at the website for \$5 each (for individuals, higher for institutions). *Très erudite* for the intellectually inclined food obsessive.

*Art Culinaire* (\$59, or \$15 per issue; [www.getartc.com](http://www.getartc.com), or access via Amazon.com). What’s for dinner? How about a nice squab breast with dates, chorizo, and banana foam? Subtitled “The International Magazine of Good Taste,” this is a favorite of chefs — especially those at luxury restaurants. This hardback periodical (resembling a coffee-table book) with heavy, high-gloss paper and exquisite photography is beautiful, luxurious, and written at a professional level, with usable recipes if your technique is advanced and you have the time and resources to procure any ingredient and gadget that you fancy. Foam is easier to make than you think!

*David Rosengarten Reports* (\$39.95 for 12 issues, [www.DavidRosengarten.com](http://www.DavidRosengarten.com); price is expected to rise significantly within a few months). This is not so much a cooking magazine as a yuppie ingredient-buying service. Cookbook author Rosengarten (*Taste*) gushes about his latest culinary discoveries — no tasting panels, just his own palate — and will either provide a special discount when subscribers order these morsels from his purveyors or, in some cases, will sell them to you directly. He also provides some recipes. If you buy into his mystique and can afford him, you’ll be in hog heaven, enjoying the ultimate in culinary self-indulgence. Personally, I can’t stand his authorial personality, but I know

my dislike is 95 percent envy — what a racket he’s got going!

## WHAT TO DO WITH THOSE RECIPE CLIPPINGS

Forget the little index card file — that’s for your grandma’s teeny recipes off the back of the Minute Rice (or matzoh meal) box. Different cooks have different systems for filing the recipes they clip. I’ll tell you what I use, just as an overall suggestion.

Recipes I mean to try right away start out on the fridge. Those I especially like go into an accordion folder arranged by seasons: Those with yams, roots, pears, and apples go into fall/winter; asparagus, artichokes, and peaches are in spring (when my peach trees fruit); fresh tomatoes go in summer. The last section is called “Ethnic,” and it’s for recipe articles covering national cuisines that, to my palate, work best as whole dinners (e.g., Brazilian and Indian food).

For longer-term storage, I use loose-leaf notebooks, with the recipe clippings Scotch-taped in similar groups to holed paper. (These started as one notebook, but now there are 12, and I’m transferring them to a heavier grade of paper where the holes won’t tear.) The notebook organization has these categories: Main courses (divided by type of protein); starters and light dishes (soups, salads, soufflés, etc.); vegetables (including main courses) filed in alphabetical order by primary ingredient; starches (with separate sections for breads, pastas, potatoes, and grains like quinoa and bulgur). Then come desserts (divided by genre into fruits, pies, cakes, etc.). My “ethnic” notebook is divided into regions. I also have a slim notebook for oddments like techniques, sauces, and beverages. Now — if only I had time to file the last five years’ worth of clippings! ■

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# Chop Shop

*"They call it 'chopped sewage' where I come from. I keep telling you, man, it's not Chinese."*

I love you, my little lotus blossom, but it's Chinese."

"I tell you, Edward, it's American."

"Chinese!"

"American!"

Carla and I are sitting at the maroon-clothed table, glowering from behind our menus. The issue is Dish Number L-17, "Chop Suey."

This isn't the greatest start. I'd promised her a special lunch, in the Gaslamp, after she walked 400 steps in one go. She went 425. Now, however, here in this little Chinese place, I can see we're not on the same page.

"This is it?" Carla says. "Not some, like, grand Italian place?"

"Never judge a book by its cover," I say.

"Bedford, I swear. You never change."

She's right. I like this kind of restaurant. It's not glad-ragged out for the rich and fatuous, but it's still nice. Like, Chinese fans on the plywood walls, a laughing Buddha or two — and this beautiful menu. Beautiful prices, that is.

"Complete Lunch," I read. "\$5.55."

Hey, hey! Includes soup and any of 20 main dishes, plus fortune cookie. Beat that in the Gaslamp.

"And see, darling?" I point to the front of the menu. " 'New York-Style Fine Chinese Cuisine.' That means real Chinese: Chop Suey..."

Which is how we get onto the origins thing. We're still arguing when the lady of the house comes up to the table, looking expectant. Time for decisions.

The first two are easy. Coffee for Carla (\$1.00). Chinese hot tea for moi (\$1.00). Then it's a question of soup. Carla goes for the hot-and-sour, and I choose egg drop.

The egg drop's fine, with a plate of crispy noodles to crumble and drop in, but oh, man, when Carla gives me a taste, I wish I'd had the hot-and-sour. Tangy, dark, but not heavy, not too peppery.

"It is a Mandarin recipe," says a guy everybody calls Robert. He's sitting at the cashier's desk up front. Must be the owner. "I

learned it in New York. Ours is mild, only white pepper. Making it too hot is wrong, but so many chefs do it."

Stephanie, Robert's wife, is back to take our main order. 'Course we could have had a big soup, like a *wor* wonton noodle soup "with big shrimp, chicken, and fresh vegetables" (Stephanie says *wor* means "big stockpot") if we hadn't had our little soups. But, hey, the list is ample. They have things like green pepper steak and onions with egg roll and rice (they all come with egg roll and rice), "Kung Po" Hot Chicken, and the rest of the well-known array: orange chicken, beef broccoli, hot garlic chicken broccoli, fried chicken wings, sweet-and-sour pork or chicken, shrimp and veggies, chicken lo mein. Carla lands on the curry chicken, hangin' in there with her Indian thing. Me, what the heck: chicken chop suey. Just to see what it does look like.

"But why?" Carla asks. "It's just a pile of a steamed veggies with noodles or rice. They call it 'chopped sewage' where I come from. I keep telling you, man, it's not Chinese."

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I pick up my pot and pour tea into my cuplet from a great height to add authority to what I'm about to say.

"Chinese."

So, okay, my chop suey is the pile of veggies. Cabbage, more cabbage, carrots, sliced chestnut, baby corn, bamboo, and bean sprouts — natch — plus that egg roll and chunks of chicken. And a plate of plum sauce. I'll say this: with the fried rice, no man could starve on this dish, and with splots of soy sauce and dunks of the egg roll into the plum sauce, the pleasure's in the taste, the volume, and the thought that right next door, folks are spending ten times this much just to get through the appetizers. Plus, the veggies taste fresh and crisp.

Carla lets me have one spoonful of her curry chicken. Mmm. Tangy, dammit. I hand her a forkful of chop suey cabbage.

"As I say. Pure American."

Okay, we need to settle this. Time to call in the big guns.

Robert comes on over. He's an affable gent. Had a restaurant in New York. "It was on 45th," he says. "We had lots of customers from the UN and showbiz, Kofi Annan, Robin Leach, the 'Rich and Famous Lifestyles' guy. He always had our dumplings, pot stickers. Itzhak Perlman, the violinist..."

Man. Can't help shooting a look at Carla. Heh heh. She's impressed — I can tell.

Robert's from Taiwan. From wa-ay back. "My family escaped to there from Canton in 1700. We were running from the barbarians. The Manchus."

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# The Envelope, Please

*"You know those circus peanuts? That's exactly what this smells like."*

**A**t 9 a.m., the procession begins. It's day two of the Pacific Rim International Wine Competition, and blue-shirted volunteers are beginning to push cart after cart into the chilly gray room where the judges wait at the ten great round tables. The tops of the carts are loaded with glasses, each one tagged to ensure it matches up to the correct bottle in back. (Thousands of pairs of bottles line the tables in the back room, their foils removed for quick opening — one opened for pouring, one standing as backup in case of a corked or spoiled wine.) The volunteers fan out the glasses before the judges in flights of up to 14 wines, but there is still plenty of room for papers and snackables — grapes, celery, cheese, crackers, and olives. (Nobody at my table touches the cheese; the olives and crackers are what get munched.)

Most of the panels have three members — with four, you run the risk of deadlocks over controversial wines. Panel ten agrees to let me sit in and play along for the Viogniers and Muscats. The actual judges on the panel: Gerry Warren, Ellen Landis, and Stillman Brown. Warren is from Seattle and is "not a winemaker but a consumer. I founded the wine competitions for the Enological Society of the Pacific Northwest and the Tri-Cities Festival — they're for Northwest wines. I've known many of the judges that judge here for years, and someone put my name in the pot. I

guess maybe I talked a good line up north. I'm also a home winemaker, so I know something about the vinification process." Landis, together with her husband, owns and operates "a luxury oceanfront inn in Half Moon Bay which carries a wide wine theme." While studying at UC Davis in preparation for becoming a certified sommelier, she also took a class in sensory perception of wine. "If you take it for credit and you pass, then your name is sent out to wine judges as one who is deemed worthy to be a judge." Competition director Bob Foster Brown is the proprietor/winemaker for Red Zeppelin Winery; he's been judging here since 1990. "I guess they thought I'd made some decent wines and that I could be a good judge."

The chief thing that strikes Brown about the opening round of Viognier — the '05s — is that it's sweet. "The Old World models for Viognier are all bone dry, unless the fermentation sticks. In this round, the three good ones are undeniably sweet — and high alcohol." Wine one gets nothing. "Too light and syrupy," says Brown. Landis gives wine two a silver-minus, while Brown gives it a bronze-plus. "I think it's a solid bronze," he concludes. "I'm sure the winery would be delighted." Nobody disagrees. Three gets nothing, and four gets two silver votes and one bronze. The majority rules: silver. Some competitions al-

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low for each judge to deploy one "silver bullet": "If I said gold and the other two were silver," explains Landis, "then the silver bullet would allow me to give it a gold." But this year's Pacific Rim will allow no such exceptions.

Five stirs a little debate. "That nose," complains Landis. "You know those circus peanuts? That's exactly what this smells like." "But if you don't have the association..." objects Warren. "It has the strongest Viognier nose here," rules Brown. Landis gives a little. "But I think they went over the top on the residual sugar." Six is bronzes all 'round, while seven, says Brown, is "an absolute disaster." "Do Not Put In Mouth," agrees Landis — the nose alone was enough to

condemn it. There are no gold medals in this group — the judges are not basing their medal judgments on comparisons among the wines but working from their own referents. And while they may award a Best in Class if they find one, they are not bound to do so.

They whip through the '04s up to \$14.99, pausing here and there to toss darts of criticism: "Three gets nothing." "But it has oak in it!" "They could have made it out of grapes, too." "It's disappointing," says Warren. "I like Viognier, personally, and they make some nice ones in Oregon and Washington." Then the '04s from \$15 to \$29.99, plus one over \$30 that smells very much like money. I get to join in on the tasting here.



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I'm with them on one; there's nothing there to evaluate; two, as Brown notes, "is rather decayed." Three has a nice finish but is too soft and oaky for me. Asks Brown, "Is there any evidence, aside from mouth feel, that this was made from Viognier? The aromatics could easily have come from the Chardonnay flight. However pretty it is, I have trouble giving it more than a silver. It's wonderful structurally; they're just overkilling sonofabitches." Silver is what it gets.

Four, five, and six are busts. I say seven is pleasant, if bland and too sweet, but it's judged authentic enough to merit a gold. Warren doesn't like the sugar. "It's a varietal characteristic," says Brown, smiling. "It's a winemaker's characteristic," answers Warren. Ten has the peach aromas that Landis loves in Viognier, good enough for a gold, likewise the over-\$30 bottle, even if it is sweet enough to remind me of Spatlese. The '03s — "the fossil category," according to Brown — manage only one bronze among them. "You're generally suspicious of

an older wine," says Brown. The question arises: Why wasn't this entered sooner?

The Muscats are more fun and include one really excellent wine — number seven, spicy, floral, and complicated, easily the Best of Class. The orange Muscats from '05 are barely even there. Most of the talk is given to a Muscat/Vidal Blanc blend. I didn't like it — my first impression was "pine resin" — and neither did Warren. But Landis and Brown are impressed despite the oddity and give it a bronze for being well made and interesting. "It's foxy," says Brown. "You have to have an Eastern palate."

The judges break for lunch, a splendid catered affair outside under the heat lamps. Then they return for the sweepstakes voting — each panel has been allowed to select one white and one red for this round. Voting is by acclamation: everybody can vote for as many wines as they feel are worthy. "It's a good system, statistically," says Warren. "As long as you have a large enough sample."

Director Foster has pulled Landis from the judging so that she can smell the wines before they are brought out ("She has such a great nose for corked wines," he says). But even so, one judge immediately names

one wine as corked, and her tablemate joins her. "That's just too many oak trees that have been sacrificed for the wine," suggests another judge, but no go. The wine is sent back to Landis. She sniffs, pronounces it clean. It's compared to the same wine from another bottle — no apparent difference. "Normally, when a wine is corked," says Foster, "you get hands up all over the room. I don't get it; this is really unusual. Maybe something in the glass?" Eventually, the judge who cried corked agrees to back down, but the complaint made for an anxious few minutes.

The winners from the white and red categories — a Geyser Peak Sauvignon Blanc and a Carol Shelton Old Vines Zinfandel — are judged from the only sparkling and dessert wines submitted for the finals, and the final round of judging begins. I might have gone with the Riesling Ice Wine, which hails from the Mission Hill Winery in the Okenagen Valley of British Columbia. But the nod goes to the '01 Mumm Napa Valley Blanc de Blanc bubbly — judging from the reaction among the judges, a sparkling sweepstakes winner is a bit of a surprise. Also surprising is the inclusion of two Argentinean wines — a Cabernet and a Chardonnay from

Andeluna — among the sweepstakes finalists. The judges applaud the volunteers and congratulate Shelton and Geyser Peak's Daryl Groom — winners from among their own ranks. The volunteers begin cleanup, and Foster bids his team adieu until next year. ■

## RESTAURANT LISTINGS

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## NORTH COASTAL

**En Familia Amici** 564 South Coast Highway 101, Encinitas, 760-753-9050. You'll feel like a guest at an intimate party eating a leisurely dinner in this small, noisy, pretty dining room. Chef Monica Szepesy and her brother Michael offer personalized, home-style renditions of South American cuisines, including

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**La Especial Norte** 604 North Coast Highway 101 (at Leucadia Boulevard), Leucadia, 760-942-1040. This big, brightly lit roadhouse sports highly whimsical decor (take a look at the blue ceramic "pond" in the dining room, complete with cayman) and boasts a five-page menu, including a page of a dozen regional soups and another full page for seafood. The soups are superb — the authentic Mexico City-style chicken soup is laden with avocados, chicken shreds, cilantro, and rice, and the savory eggplant soup includes airy little "croutons" of puffed *relleno* batter. The fresh, interesting seafood entrées outshine the relatively ordinary renditions of the standard stuffed-tortilla variations. No wheelchair access to rest rooms. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (5/02)

**Oceanside Cafe** 1938 South Coast Highway, Oceanside, 760-722-7337. This little place is as "mom and pop" as they get. "Hi honey. You going to have the usual?" That's Shannon. They do lunch, with good burgers, but breakfast's what a lot of folks come for. "Dieter's Downfall," a 3-egg omelet stuffed with ham, bacon, sausage, tomato, Jack, and Cheddar, is wicked. Two other things to try: the "Sausage of the Week" is made next door at the Red and White Market (anything from bockwurst to French apple-chicken sausage). And the dieter's real downfall comes with Marsha's carrot cake or her double chocolate cake —

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**Potato Shack Cafe** 120 West I Street (off South Coast Highway 101), Encinitas, 760-436-1282. Check out the cute potato-toon mural on the side of the building — a sign for spud-lovers to load up on portions sized for lumberjacks from The Lumberyard across the street. American fries (served "All you can eat!"), French fries, potato patties, and baked potatoes with various toppings are the heart of the menu, along with eggs, omelets, biscuits with sausage gravy, and beer-battered onion rings made from sweet reds. If size counts, consider the daunting inch-thick "manhole" pancake that's bigger than the plate. Lunch runs to "deli" sandwiches (with potatoes), or a hearty bowl of chili con carne. Arrive early weekends. Open daily, breakfast to late lunch. Inexpensive. — N.W. (10/01)

**Ruby's Diner** 1 Pierview Way, Oceanside, 760-433-7829. One thing about Ruby's: You can build an appetite just getting there. It's at the end of the 1/3 mile-long Oceanside pier. (There's a 50-cent electric wagon, too.) Ruby's is part of a themed "forties diner" chain stretching from LAX to Scottsdale, Arizona. But it's still fun. Shiny Chevy Corvette-style red leatherette and chrome booths, white walls, portholes, old Coca-Cola signs, "Dewey-Warren" presidential buttons, and that view to Hawaii. And pretty darned good-sized servings too; try their omelets. Open daily. Inexpensive. — E.B. (11/01)

**Savory** 267 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas, 760-634-5556. Chef-owner Pascal Vignau was executive chef of the Four Seasons Aviara when he decided he wanted his own little place. His casual strip-mall restaurant has been perpetually packed for dinner since opening day. Here he serves a monthly changing menu of Southern French and Mediterranean cooking spotlighting seasonal lo-

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**Tom Giblin's Irish Pub** 640 Grand Avenue (at Roosevelt Street), Carlsbad Village, 760-729-7234. Occupying the whole of a handsome, sprawling, block-long Elizabethan-style building, this friendly "small-townish" saloon offers some above-average pub-grub, especially the perfect, moist corned beef with firm-tender cabbage, the huge, lively salads, and the house-baked brown bread. Boxty (Irish "peasant" potato pancakes, rarely found in California) are done up rather doughy rather than crisp to serve as "wraps" for corned beef and other dishes. Live music on holiday evenings and during happy hours. A large, attractive heated patio next to the parking lot offers some afternoon serenity. Open daily, lunch until late, plus Sunday breakfast/brunch. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (3/02)*

**Trattoria Positano (Cardiff-by-the-Sea)** 2171 San Elijo Avenue (at Chesterfield), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-632-0111. If you're tired of Italian restaurants, you'll be revitalized by this one. Original recipes, wonderful fresh fish, nightly specials, excellent lamb and pastas. Very warm atmosphere. A treasure. Reservations accepted only for parties of six or more; expect a wait at prime dinner hours, especially on weekends. Lunch and dinner six days, Sunday dinner only. Upper moderate. — *E.W. (6/98)*

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**Abbey's Real Texas BBQ** 6904 Miramar Road (at Commerce Street, behind Denny's), Miramar, 858-566-5235. Texas barbecue consists of meat, chicken, turkey, and links that are repeatedly mopped with a marinade and cooked in a big cast-iron smoker (rather than grilled over a fire). Here they use mesquite to barbecue the poultry quickly and the brisket ve-r-r-ry slowly. In addition to the usual BBQ sides (potato salad, coleslaw, beans, etc.), they offer a Caesar salad. At the Miramar branch the room is large and unadorned but very clean. Wheelchair accessible. Same menu lunch and dinner. Open daily; continuous service for lunch and early dinner weekdays; normal dinner hours weekends. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *E.W.*

**Galeon (Escondido)** 503 West Mission (at Centre City), Escondido, 760-746-5951. Mexican seafood, along

with the usual dishes, is featured in a bright coffee-shop atmosphere with comfortable booths, big windows, a lunch counter and a salad bar. Shrimp and *langostino* ("squat lobster," in fishermen's terms) are the house specialties, and are well treated. Also consider an intense little marlin taco (squeeze some lime onto this rich, strong fish), or the savory *albondigas* soup (lime it up, too). Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Inexpensive (standard dishes) to moderate (seafood). — *N.W. (6/01)*

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**Island Boy Grille** 10066 Pacific Heights Boulevard (south of Mira Mesa Boulevard, at Carroll Canyon Road), Sorrento Mesa, 858-452-7708. It's the last thing you'd expect up here in Corporate Lunchland, but Pua Macario's Hawaiian food sanctuary is the real thing. Pua ("Flower") serves genuine items like purple *taro poi*, seven-hour cooked *lau-lau* (beef, pork, and fish slow-steamed in taro and banana leaves), rice delivered by the ice-cream scoop, potato salad delivered hot with shrimp and crab in it, and mahi mahi, lots of lovely flame-seared mahi mahi. Delivered in a standard polystyrene box, eat in or out. And heavy! The Wasa Plate will include, say, two big pieces of mahi mahi, a pile of shredded kalua pig and cabbage, or kahuna shrimp, or teriyaki chicken, plus two scoops of rice, salad and any side dish. If you're a really big kahuna, the Kanaka Plate will deliver three main entrées and three scoops of rice. Sparse decoration: eggshell blue walls with photos of real hula-dancing, and a longboard by Hawaiian Julian Cruz (it's yours for \$450). Warning: only open weekdays, from 10:30 a.m. to around 2:30 p.m. Always crowded. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (3/02)*

**Pho Hoa Hiep** 9910 Mira Mesa Boulevard, #A, 858-578-1468 (also at 6947 Linda Vista Road, 858-268-8406). This *pho* (soup) place of the brothers Hoa and Hiep is a clean, busy eatery near hi-tech offices. It's popular at lunch and dinner, partly because of frequent two-for-one deals. Try the #1, *Dac Biet Xe Lua*, an "extra large bowl" of soup filled with rare steak slices and well-done brisket, flank, tendon, and tripe along with mint and bean sprouts. A popular breakfast *pho* is "French bread with beef juicy cube

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**Rancho Valencia** 5921 Valencia Circle, Rancho Santa Fe, 858-759-6216. Nestled in the lush garden setting of the Rancho Valencia Resort is one of San Diego's dining gems. They advertise the cuisine as California-French. Whatever. Every bite from appetizer to dessert is prepared and presented to delight Californians, French people — actually, any person on the planet with taste buds. Their crab cake topped with sun-dried apricot-mango chutney was equal to the best you'd eat around Chesapeake Bay. Also, enjoy an entrée of prime mesquite-grilled steak, fresh fish, veal, lamb, or chicken. Portions are generous, as is the wine list. Casual-elegant dress. Open daily, lunch and dinner; brunch Sunday. Very expensive. — *S.M. (6/04)*

**Sand Crab Cafe** 2229 Micro Place (at Oppen, off Barham), Escondido, 760-480-2722. Sandy Crabbe (honest, that's his name) owns this fun, funky dive in the wilds of industrial Escondido near the San Marcos border. A visit offers the primordial, preschoolish joy of whacking crabs to pieces with mallets and eating them with your hands. (Bibs are optional.) Everybody gets into the party spirit. There's a huge à la carte list of appetizers, soups, snacks, and main courses, often at bargain prices. Entrées include several crab-bucket combos, cooked to a well-seasoned boil with corn, potatoes, and spicy Louisiana sausage. Most of the shellfish were flash-frozen on shipboard, but they're still tasty. The melted non-butter "spread" accompanying them appeals to the area's many health-conscious residents. (Or you can BYOButter and they'll melt it for you.) Fine tangy housemade key lime pie is a perfect finale. Full bar; not much wine, but good margaritas. Open daily, three meals. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

**Tong Szechuan** 609 North Broadway #E-F, Stater Brother's Shopping Center, Escondido, 760-480-9438. The "New Style Favorites" of North County Chinese restaurants feature fresh fruits. Tong's has several variants, mainly cornstarch-battered fried proteins in honey-based sweet-and-sour sauce, lightened with loads of seasonal fruit chunks — pineapple, papaya, pear, etc. They're tasty dishes. For the rest, the Szechuan specialties (hot-and-sour soup, *kung pao*, *ma la*, etc.) are better than the old "Chinese-American" standards on the menu. Lunches are big, bargain-priced, and popular. In this quiet, pretty room, you may overhear northern or western Chinese dialects at nearby tables. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Very inexpensive (lunch) to low-moderate. — *N.W. (5/01)*

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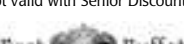
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## RESTAURANTS

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### GOLD COAST

**Arterra** Marriott Del Mar Hotel, 11966 El Camino Real (off Carmel Mountain Road), Torrey Pines/Del Mar, 858-369-6032 or 858-523-1700. Bradley Ogden and his minions — including Arterra's Carl Shroeder — do the perfect cuisine for executive-oriented hotels like this Marriott, which is situated in an inhumanly corporate neighborhood. The fare is fine, classy, but not excessively demanding of attention. Ingredients are seasonal and top-quality, creations are pleasing but not radical. It's a great place to take your boss to dinner. Breakfasts, though, are spectacular, e.g., the airy, bittersweet tangerine soufflé pancakes may just be the ideal way to jump-start the morning. Open daily, three meals. Expensive. — *N.W. (4/02)*

**Beach Grass Cafe** 159 South Coast Highway 101 (one block south of Loma Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-509-0632. Formerly a branch of Parkhouse Eatery, Beach Grass has been bought by a mini-chain (with Swami's Cafe and Honey's), but still serves the original recipes. You could eat breakfast here daily and never

get bored with the creative morning menu, which includes foamy, fresh orange juice and "Beach Benedict" with eggs and house-made hollandaise on a soft, lush crab cake. Oddly, though, the "maple" syrup and "butter" spread are both mass-market blends. Lunches and dinners feature multiethnic "coastal cuisine," with the best results in seafood dishes like "Moroccan crabcakes" and the fish 'n' yam chips (with fine house-made tartar sauce). Vegetable accompaniments are tasty and creative. Reservations essential for weekend breakfasts. Free parking in back via driveway to right of restaurant. Breakfast through dinner daily. Moderate to slightly expensive. — *N.W. (6/05)*

**Besta Wan Pizza House** 148 Aberdeen Drive (off the 101), Cardiff-by-the-Sea, 760-753-6707. This ever-popular North County restaurant which opened back in 1965 is a family operation all the way. Their thin-crust East Coast-style pizzas are famous locally. Also check for the big-pile spaghetti or lasagna specials if you just want to fill up. Open seven days, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/01)*

**Cafe Zinc** 132 South Cedros (at Loma Santa Fe), Solana Beach, 858-793-5436. The Rancho Santa Fe set like to hang out here in the garden patio with their Porsches at the curb and their shih tzu under the table (dogs are welcome). Even for non-doggie people, the California pepper trees and garden sculpture make this indoor-outdoor eatery a really pleasant kick-back place (which gets its name from the zinc-top bar inside). The menu, a mixture of Italian and vegetarian, offers dishes like frittata with cucumber salsa, and baked eggplant "pizzette" (personal-size pizza) with marinara, mozzarella, and Parmesan cheese. The vegetarian chili and the Zinc veggie burger (served on a La Brea bun) are tasty too. Open seven days, breakfast through late lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

**Le Bambou** Del Mar Village, 2634 Del Mar Heights Road (turn north on Mango), Del Mar Heights,

858-259-8138. No mere "pho joint," this lovely restaurant serves the sophisticated Vietnamese cuisine of pre-war Saigon — and the owners' daughters serve it in the flower-bedecked dining room with grace, intelligence, and evident pleasure in teaching westerners about the cuisine. Appetizers (most of them designed for rolling with fresh herbs in lettuce leaves and eating with your hands) are varied and of superb quality. Few restaurants here do the royal delicacy of "ground shrimp on sugar cane" so well. Most of the house specialty entrées are equally accomplished. Lacqué duck, sautéed shrimps or scallops in tamarind sauce, and "Star of the Sea" curry are outstanding. The gently priced wine list abounds in the fruity whites that go so well with this cuisine, while beer-quaffers can enjoy Vietnam's own "33" brand. Lunch Tuesday through Friday, dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Low moderate. — *N.W. (6/05)*

**Pacifica Del Mar** Del Mar Plaza, 1555 Camino Del Mar (at 15th Street), Del Mar, 858-792-1803. The chic crowd is drawn here by Pacific Rim/California-fusion cuisine centering on seafood and organic, locally grown produce. It's quality all the way, but some nights the restaurant is a victim of its own success. The riotous overflow crowds can challenge the kitchen's capacities, not to mention diners' tender ears. (Best strategy for pleasure: Reserve for early or late on a weeknight, and ask for patio seating or Room #2.) Fun list of low-priced mini-appetizers, plus great baked oysters, seared scallops, mustard catfish, and house-cured rib eye. The award-winning wine list is half price Thursday nights, and the full bar specializes in creative martinis. "Pacifica Dine-In" offers call-in take-out for selected items. Lunch and dinner daily. Pacifica Breeze Café (a level down) offers savory dishes for breakfast through late lunch daily. Early-bird dinner discount. Expensive to very expensive. — *N.W. (6/05)*

**Tony's Jacal** 621 Valley Avenue (between Genevieve Street and Juanita

Street), Eden Gardens, Solana Beach, 858-755-2274. Come here at night, when the mysterious low mud-brick arches with the stained glass windows make you think Old Mexico, when the Del Mar racing bar makes you think 1930s Hollywood, and the dining patio, under the 100-year-old chinaberry tree, looks straight out of Guadalajara. Back in 1946, Tony Gonzales' wife Catalina started preparing food for fellow Mexican workers. Since then, everybody from Liz Taylor to J. Edgar Hoover has passed through these portals. Try the "La Colonia" combination of just about anything with rice and beans. Turkey meat is big here, and the (real) crab quesadilla in a corn tortilla is delicious too. Cheapest: probably chicken strips with French fries. And "Jacal"? It means "shack." Open seven days, but with a gap between lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

### LA JOLLA

**La Taverna** 927 Silverado Street (at Girard Avenue), La Jolla, 858-454-0100. Reservations are a necessity at this tiny trattoria, especially if you'd prefer the relative quiet of the roofed sidewalk patio to the din of the cute but cramped dining room. Don't look for meatballs and red sauce except at lunch because dinner is Tuscan-style, showcasing pastas with simple, fresh sauces. Highlights include chef-owner Mary Ann Vitale's house-made Sicilian-style fennel sausage, and if the feather-light potato gnocchi are a special, just say yes. Save room for a slice of house-made layer cake. Moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

**The Pannikin Cafe** 7467 Girard Avenue (at Pearl), La Jolla, 858-454-5453. Oh sure, the inside of this converted bungalow is cool, with its woody-green tables of different heights and cool damsels with animal temp-tattoos on their arms serving you. But here at Pannikin's La Jolla outpost, the outside's the "in" spot, with its brick and earth tones

and weathered timber and sixties rain-bow tables. But you have to make it through the laptop-clacking, cell phone-blabbng crowd who use this as their garden office and Very Important Meeting spot. Musicians, grad students, and school kids also show up to munch twigs and nuts and think serious thoughts. Breakfasts are mostly steamed-egg variations, including the popular Greek eggs and a filling breakfast burrito. For lunch, a mild chicken curry is a nutty treat, and "pannwiches" such as ham or tuna are fresh, generous, and worthy, though the retros among us will be looking for a salt lick all the way home. Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (2/03)*

**Roppongi** 875 Prospect Street (at Fay), La Jolla, 858-551-5252. In terms of atmosphere and food preparation, one of the best restaurants in La Jolla. The Euro-Asian fusion menu offers a vast choice of 20 appetizers, or *tapas*, including several sushi rolls. Don't overlook the Thai coconut soup, Atlantic salmon, and duck confit at dinner, or the *niçoise* salad at lunch. Beautiful interior; lovely heated patio; excellent service. Be sure to reserve, especially for dinner, to avoid a very long wait. Open daily. Moderate (tapas) to expensive. — *E.W. (12/99)*

**Sadaf** 613 Pearl Street (at Cuvier), La Jolla, 858-551-0643. You worry — those formal fixtures and black-tux waiters, the gold-encrusted paintings, and the crisp, pink table linens all scream "expensive!" Actually, prices are easygoing, especially at lunch. The appetizers are free: a basket of *lavash* (unleavened bread), and beside it, butter and a large sliced raw onion. Eating bread with onion makes you hungry, say the Persians. Then try skewers of chicken or ground filet mignon with rice or salad, or *albalou polo* (rice, dried cherries, and chicken). Pistachio-and-rosewater ice cream is a great finale. Nonspecials and evening meals cost more, but at any price this is real Persian food, with typical riotous herbage and sybaritic spicing. Another branch in the Gaslamp turns into a nightclub after dinner, but the food's

better at this La Jolla flagship. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (10/00)*

**Tutto Mare** 4365 Executive Drive (at Executive Way), Golden Triangle, 858-597-1188. The modern Italian cuisine here emphasizes pasta and fresh seafood from the mesquite grill or oak-fired oven. Lunch hours roar with chic crowds from the surrounding office buildings, but the kitchen is most on its toes then, too. Pastas are mainly house-made, with fresh-tasting sauces, and substantial seafood salads are available. Entrées (whether seafood or meat) may be overcooked by the fierce wood fires, and most come with minor variations of the same lemon-butter sauce and a one-size-fits-all veggie medley. Full bar, interesting wine list, good Happy Hour nibbles. Complimentary valet parking. Call for careful directions (very hard to find). Extremely noisy. Lunch and dinner weekdays, dinner weekends. Pastas and salads moderate, entrées expensive. — *N.W. (10/02)*

### MISSION VALLEY & THE MESAS

**Andres' Patio Restaurant** 1235 Morena Boulevard, Bay Park, 619-275-4114. This is a cozy cultural surprise on hard-to-define Morena Boulevard. The food is flavorful (and not spicy-hot like Mexican and South American dishes). A good introduction to it is *ropa vieja* ("old clothes"): shredded beef sautéed with mushrooms, green pepper, and tomatoes with ever-present rice and black beans. And the Cuban sandwich (roast pork, baked ham, and cheese) shows off the Cuban handling of pork. Other interesting dishes include *alcapurria* (pork and green plantain) and luscious, messy *yuca con mojo* (yuca root with garlic oil). Open for lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (8/01)*

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Heights, 619-283-4352. Ann Nguyen started this back in 1980, and her prices haven't changed — they're incredibly low. But the taste of her sandwiches is up there in French-Vietnamese heaven. The Vietnamese are special at this: they do French better than the French — with some spicy Asian touches. The BBQ Pork French sandwich delivers the immediate taste of cilantro, garlicky mayonnaise, sweet barbecue sauce, carrots, onions, cucumber, and lashings of sliced pork, with the occasional heat of a green jalapeño. But above all, it's that crunch of bread — fresh, feathery, and very French — that makes this hard to beat. Add dessert of home-made banana shrimp cake and Vietnamese coffee and — *voilà!* Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

**Emerald Chinese Seafood Restaurant** Pacific Gateway Plaza, 3709 Convoy Street (at Aero Drive), 1st floor, Kearny Mesa, 858-565-6888. Arguably the best Chinese restaurant in the county, here's where local Asians (of all nations) go for both casual family dinners and special feasts of Hong Kong specialties. When you dig in, you'll know why. Menu (trilingual in Chinese, Vietnamese, and English) emphasizes seafood and gourmet delicacies of the South China coast, plus lunchtime dim sum carts daily. The staff is bilingual and crisply helpful, and the specialties are well worth exploring. Reservations accepted for all meals, including weekend dim sum brunches. Few dishes include MSG; diners can request none in made-to-order dishes. Live fish tanks, full bar, serviceable wine list. Mainly moderate, with moderate splurges like live fish and Peking duck easily balanced by inexpensive down-home dishes (unless you insist on shark fin or bird's nest). Open daily from lunch until midnight or later. — *N.W. (9/02)*

**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)*

**24-Hour Valley Kitchen Family Restaurant** 875 Hotel Circle South, Mission Valley, 619-819-1017 or 619-298-8282. Great when everything else is closed. The place feels like a Mid-western chain eatery: all carpets, dark-wood walls, etched glass. Prices are a lit-

tle up there, but hot French dip is great and burgers are generous. Best news may be that if you feel like breakfast at midnight, no problem. Ask for the pork chops, two eggs, hash browns, and biscuits and gravy. Chops are crumbed and buried in hash browns. Splosh on lots of applesauce, and leave room for the biscuits — their bacon-fat gravy will have you licking the plate. Bonus: You can sit here with a book and a coffee all night long if you like. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (1/04)*

## THE BEACHES

**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," offered Saturday and Sunday. If you 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 and Tuesday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Gringo's** 4474 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-490-2877. With better cooking than you'd guess from its name, this ambitious spin-off of the local Moondoggies chain serves the sort of Mexican cuisine you might find at a seaside resort in Cabo or Puerto Vallarta — skillfully prepared with good, fresh ingredients, just a bit dumbed-down in the flavors. The chile verde, say, is beautifully seasoned if barely *picante*, and the luscious *camarones borrachos* are big white shrimp cooked just till done and not a moment more. Given the surefire location at the hub of PB partytown, the food is actually better than it needs to be. A vast list of tequilas, interesting margaritas, and a sensible wine list emphasizing affordable, food-friendly Chilean bottlings add to the draw for a lively young crowd that revs the decibels to a roar on weekends. Open daily. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/02)*

**Hawaiian Island Barbecue** Pacific Plaza, 1768 Garnet Avenue, Pacific Beach, 858-483-9830. What do folks really eat in Hawaii? What they serve here: plate lunches. Which means two scoops of rice, one scoop of macaroni salad, and then whatever, like garlic shrimp, mahi mahi or fried shrimp, Hawaiian BBQ chicken, chicken *katsu*, Hawaiian BBQ beef or short ribs, even hamburger steak. But to go all-out Hawaiian, try the chicken *lau lau* (chicken and butterfish wrapped in taro leaves), slow-cooked

*kalua* pig (don't call it pork) with cabbage, or *limu poke* (seaweed and raw tuna). Barbecue? Their BBQ Mix (Hawaiian BBQ beef, chicken, short ribs, with rice or macaroni salad) is a deal. Authentic? Count the Hawaiians around you. Lunch and dinner daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**The Mission Cafe and Coffee House** 3795 Mission Boulevard (at San Jose Place), Mission Beach, 858-488-9060. Gourmet and Latino breakfasts served in funky surroundings. Outstanding are cinnamon French toast, blackberry-banana pancakes, and roast beef hash with rosemary potatoes and eggs. Chino-Latino lunch items. All dishes plus fabulous bread, scones, muffins, available for take-out. Open daily 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.W.*

**People's Organic Foods Co-op Deli** 4765 Voltaire Street, Ocean Beach, 619-224-1387. This is the land of "organic," "cruelty-free," "environmentally safe," "shade-grown." Vegan Country. People look either disgustingly healthy, disturbingly pasty, or just plain smug. But the food tastes pretty good. And they sell it by the pound so you can mix and match. Course, you have to learn new words, like tempeh (cultured soy which can be made to taste like anything). And dishes have a sensible momsy East Coast feel — garlic eggplant with beet root and onions, tempeh loaf, sweet squash and rice, millet spinach bake, shepherd's pie, "mango madness," tempeh sausage, steamed vegetables, vegan macaroni and cheese. Bottom line: it's guilt-free. Open seven days, breakfast, lunch, dinner (but "serious" breakfasts Saturday and Sunday only). Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/03)*

**The Surfside** 4527 Mission Boulevard (at Garnet Avenue), Pacific Beach, 858-273-2979. In the evenings, it's a "scene" here — for good reason. You'll find fresh sushi, sashimi, and "California coastal cuisine," i.e., fun and flavorful fusion-y tapas, many of them going for half-price during weeknight Happy Hours. You can actually reserve for the sushi bar (it'll put you at the head of the line), where the chefs are unusually friendly. They shine on simple, pure Japanese sushi, although they make the usual "party rolls," too. Most seafood is of fine quality (except the *toro*, which seems to have problems). For those preferring a tapas-style sit-down meal, there's a breezy, informal dining room with large windows looking out on the street, plus a small private dining room for parties. Four Japanese beers, 10 sakes available. Reservations urged for large groups. Parking is tight; just one handicapped slot in front lot. Inexpensive to low moderate. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Sushi Ota** 4529 Mission Bay Drive (at Bunker Hill Street), Pacific Beach, 858-270-5670. What becomes a legend most? At its best, this renowned sushi bar offers fish of exceptional quality, perfect tart-sweet rice, tight wraps, and disciplined creativity. These joys don't come easily. First, find the place: Driving south

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from Balboa, look left, and pull into the mini-mall with the large 7-11 sign (opposite Rubio's). Sit at the sushi bar to snoop on your neighbors' choices, watching for off-menu extravaganzas, e.g., sea snails cooked over flaming sugar or the irresistible "sushi sundae" (*uni, toro*, mountain potatoes, salmon roe). Don't miss the *ama-ebi*, with crisp shrimp heads atypically flash-baked (not batter-fried). Cooked dishes are dull except for *chawan-mushi* (custard broth with ginkgo nuts). Alas, when Ota-sari's away, his elves may play — amateurishly. Best bet: Reserve a bar seat for an early dinner Wednesdays through Saturdays, when the master is most likely to be present. Disabled access chancy; long, crowded waits unless you've reserved. Moderate. — *N.W. (11/00)*

### CENTRAL SAN DIEGO

**Los Reyes** 2496 Broadway (at 25th), Encanto, 619-231-0716. If you've ever craved those fabulous Mexican fish soups that can be such energy restorers, these strip-mall Mexican restaurants have a great one. It's *Caldo 7 Mares* (Seven Seas Soup) and it comes as a big bowl of savory red fish soup clunking with giant crab legs, clams, chunks of white fish, shrimp, the pink and purple suckers of octopus, and vegetables. It's also called *Vuelva a la vida*: "Return to life." On a hot day, their Cocktail Campechana (shrimp and octopus in a light, spicy tomato broth) will return you to life, too. Four brothers and one sister from Michoacan run the place. A very Michoacan dish is *carnitas* — pork shoulders. Or try their gringo lunch deal of a bacon cheeseburger with fries and a can of soda. The prices make this a tightwad's paradise. Three meals daily, with the Broadway flag-

ship branch open until 11 p.m. on weekends; all other branches closing early every evening. (Smaller branches at 47th and Market, 25th and Imperial, and 1270 Picador Boulevard.) Cash only. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/03)*

**Phoenicia** 3381 Adams Avenue (at 34th Street), Normal Heights, 619-282-4120. To find this tiny restaurant — the longest-running eatery on Adams Avenue — look for a window featuring a cedar tree (the symbol on the Lebanese flag), an American flag, and the word "Phoenicia" written in Arabic and English. The inside is cramped, but they have sidewalk tables, too. Try their baked eggplant stuffed with lamb, pine nuts, onions, and garlic, or the *kafta* kabob, with ground meat, parsley, onions, and pita bread. The real treat is the *kibbeh neyeh*, raw lamb with cracked wheat, onions, and seasonings, but you'll need to call 24 hours ahead to get it. Homemade rose juice and Lebanese coffees are delicious, too. Bakery open mornings; restaurant lunch and early dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Saigon** 4455 El Cajon Boulevard, City Heights, 619-284-4215 or 619-284-4288. You're in a big glass palace here. It's especially good on Sundays, when three- or four-generation Vietnamese families gather for lunch. Gaggles of waiters hover a glance away, but take your time. The menu has over 250 items on it. Default choice: *pho*, the famous, filling soup-meal of Vietnam where beef cooks in the soup. Another safe bet is stir-fried crispy or soft egg noodle with seafood and assorted vegetables. "33" Vietnamese beer is on hand to make Saigon lovers sentimental. Open daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/01)*

**Trieu Chau Restaurant** 4653 University Avenue, City Heights, 619-280-4204. This is as near as you'll come to eating breakfast in Phnom Penh or lunch in Ventiane. Cambodians come in the morning to talk politics and play Cambodian chess. At lunch, Laotians replace them. Maps of "Kampuchea" decorate the walls, as well as long-distance telephone ads. The menu includes Chinese, Khmer, and Lao dishes. In the morning, ask for

"*djak kvai coffay dok ko*" — fried bread with Cambodian coffee, the standard French-Khmer breakfast. Later in the day, you might try pan-fried noodles with broccoli and beef or shrimp and gravy ("*koitiow bahat sai kho*"). If in doubt, ask for Kathy, who speaks Chinese, Khmer, Lao — and English. Open daily, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Turf Supper Club** 1116 25th Street, Golden Hill, 619-234-6363. At this cozy saloon (a landmark since 1950, "re-established" in 1998), if your meat's done wrong, it's your own fault. Every night's an indoor cook-out, as patrons huddle by the communal fire-pit tending their steaks (a choice of three ritzy cuts, well-marinated in garlic and olive oil), burgers, chicken breasts, or portobello mushrooms; others choose the veggie kabobs or teriyaki skewers of beef, chicken, or fish. And that's the menu. The only side dish is a simple salad — not even fries. But the meat's a treat, especially the huge, juicy Delmonico rib eye. If you're an utterly hopeless cook, a staffer will mind your meal for you, but you'd miss half the fun. Full bar, no reservations. Open nightly. Inexpensive to barely moderate. — *N.W. (4/01)*

### EAST COUNTY & COLLEGE AREA

**Barnes Bar-B-Que** 2625 Lemon Grove Avenue, Lemon Grove, 619-462-9206. Clayton Davis's sign says it all: "Let Us Bring Tha South to Ya Mouth." You can tell this is the real deal from the two heavy iron doors in the brick wall behind the counter and the big wood fires burning oak inside. This is Memphis-style soul food, mild and mouth watering — and cheap. Expect dollar portions, from smothered chicken or pork, neck bones and cabbage, to country yams, corn on the cob, and corn bread. Other lip-smacking dishes include chopped beef brisket sandwich, pork ribs or shoulder, beef ribs, red snapper, and hot links or ham — all with two sides and bread. Oh yes, they also serve catfish sand-

wiches and sweet potato tarts. Or you could just stand outside and smell the smoke. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Jimmy's** 6935 Mission Gorge Road (at Town Center Drive), Santee, 619-448-8994. We're at the end of the line here, the trolley's Orange Line. Feels like a safari. You walk back through the grass to the streets of Santee. Thank goodness for this family-friendly restaurant with good, old-fashioned American food. Their six-page plastic menu tells all — forget your diet and dig into the breakfast "Eggs and Cakes" (two eggs, three pancakes), the "Touch-down" (two eggs, two hotcakes, four strips of bacon or three link sausages), or the "Monte Cristo" hot sandwich (ham and turkey grilled on batter-dipped Texas toast with Swiss cheese, hot syrup, and French fries). Later in the day, the New York strip or sirloin steak with all the trimmings, and desserts like homemade cinnamon bread pudding with raisins and whipped cream. Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Lemon Grove Fish-N-Chips** 2605 Lemon Grove Avenue, Lemon Grove, 619-462-6212. Snapper, cod, whiting, and catfish seem to go down better here at sunset on the deck looking across the valley to Old Lemon Grove. Even more so the salmon. It's wild, but the prices aren't. Even the plain ol' fish and chips taste fresh, with crispy batter and good malt vinegar. The coleslaw (it's made with raisins) freshens your mouth up for the next round. You get the feeling these guys really care. Plus plenty of the sides you'd expect, like zucchini sticks and hush puppies. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Lucky Star Seafood Restaurant** 3893 54th Street (at University Avenue, in Kmart Shopping Mall), College Area, 619-229-8228. The Hong Kong-style Cantonese menu runs to many dishes, not to mention the dim sum lunches from roving carts bearing goodies. The huge room is perfect for large parties (call ahead to reserve) or banquets. Not to be missed are lobster dishes, steamed whole fish, Dungeness crab in special sauce, and frog's legs. Open daily, lunch

and dinner. Inexpensive to upper moderate. — *E.W. (9/99)*

**Ranas.Com** 9683 Campo Road, Suite A, Spring Valley, 619-589-1792. With 33 Mexican restaurants in the area, this Mexico City eatery has got to be good. It's a cheery place with lime green walls and orange accents. Cooking from the capital tends to be less biting hot than some northern food, with unexpected taste combos, like *pollo en salsa de cacahuates* (an almost Thai-tasting chicken in peanut sauce which comes with rice, beans, and tortilla). Or try the delicious *pelangoches*, a mess of bacon, pork, pineapple, mushrooms, bell peppers, onions, and cheese. Aztec *huarache* (cactus with potato, cheese, lettuce, sour cream, and salsa) is also easy to love. Open daily; closes early on Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Valley House Restaurant** 10767 Woodside Avenue (at Magnolia), Santee, 619-562-7878. This is for Cornbelt folks, plus wannabes who enjoy plain-speaking, plenty-of-it Iowan food. Take the morning special, "Iowa Breakfast": breaded pork tenderloin, two eggs, and hash browns, fries, or grits, plus a choice of biscuits, muffins, or toast — it's delicious. Lunch or dinnertime you can't go wrong ordering the signature "Iowa Porker" hot sandwich (breaded pork tenderloin in a bun with soup, potato salad, or steak fries) or the "Iowa Beefers" (seasoned ground beef simmered in chicken broth, piled into a burger bun). Open three meals, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/01)*

### FAR EAST

**Dulzura Cafe** 16985 Highway 94 at Dulzura, 619-468-9591. Think *Grapes of Wrath*, Okies, the 1930s. Dulzura Café is the real thing, serving big, hot meals to weary westerners since 1910. The walls are cluttered with license plates, pots, brass cream-separators, corn-shuckers, horse collars, railroad lanterns, ancient egg-beaters, six-foot snake skins, deer antlers, and a seedy stuffed bobcat head. The food's for filling. Big, juicy hamburgers with lanky home-cut fries, thick slices of meat loaf,

or if you arrive early, steak and eggs or a hefty Denver omelet. This is frontier food before slim spelled "success." Breakfast and lunch daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**La Posta** 32337 Old Highway 80, Pine Valley, 619-478-5600. Is the Wild West dead? Not out here. Swagger in past the rocking chairs on the wooden porch, by the "NRA meets here, every 3rd Wednesday, 7 p.m." sign, past bows and arrows, dream catchers, lariats, and brass spittoons, and swing into a chair. Now think vintage American food. Hefty anytime-breakfasts include two eggs, hash browns, biscuits, and coffee or eggs with chicken-fried steak or a bulging veggie omelet. Their sourdough cheeseburger with fries or potato salad is big, or delve into a bowl of chili. Folks hereabouts talk about that chili in low, reverent voices. For dinner, the rib eye steak or pork chops is good enough to make city folks swoon. Three meals daily. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**Potrero's Cafe** 25125 Highway 94, Potrero, 619-478-2697. Watch for the three great old Live Oak trees. This café sits under them and looks straight out of a 1930s Western movie. Lot of good old boys in ten-gallon hats gather here. The menu's non-PC. It features rib-sticking food from biscuits and gravy to a mountain of hot cakes, or the famous mushroom-and-onions hamburger with baked beans. Three meals daily; dinner limited to hamburgers and daily specials. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (12/01)*

### UPTOWN & OLD TOWN

**Adams Avenue Grill** 2201 Adams Avenue, University Heights, 619-298-8440. The frequently changing menu tries to embrace several disparate styles, and can't quite get its arms around any of them. The dishes are often ambitious; a few soar, but many falter due to flaws in conception, execution, or both. Largely ho-hum wine list needs selections with enough sweetness to stand up to items featuring Asian spice — where

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are the Rieslings? Still, the place seems full of happiness and friendliness: yellow and orange walls, plenty of smiles amid the bustle. Soups receive lavish attention, and sometimes live up to their billing — the blood orange and roasted butternut squash soup is delicious, dark and complex. The generous, marvelous lavender-infused crème brûlée makes this a dessert destination — pause to sniff a spoonful before slipping it between your lips. Inexpensive to moderate. — *A.M. (4/01)*

**Bread and Cie** 350 University Avenue (at Fourth), Hillcrest, 619-683-9322. At least twenty breads emerge daily from this bakery's 10,000-pound French stone hearth oven. Most are dense, crusty, and delicious French or Italian peasant breads, including the outstanding anise-fog and black olive loaves that are served in many top local restaurants. Scones, brownies, muffins, banana bread, and cookies are the sweet side of the house. Focaccia pizza and sandwiches (many with thick-sliced bread and rather thin fillings) are available to take out or eat on the spot — inside the café or on the sidewalk patio. Open daily, breakfast through early dinner. Inexpensive. — *N.W. (6/02)*

**Cafe on Park** 3831 Park Boulevard (at University), Hillcrest, 619-293-7275. Okay, it's trendy, from the rusty spoon-and-fork sign at the door to the PC industrial interior (concrete walls, exposed plumbing). But don't expect PC food. The plates are huge and overflowing with fodder. Breakfast scrambles are popular with add-ons such as smoked salmon, artichoke hearts, or brie cheese. Health nuts choose the Park Porridge stuffed with apples, raisins, and honey. But the prize may be the dish that Placerville, California, miners ordered when they came down from the mountains with pockets full of gold: the Hangtown Fry — luscious marinated sautéed oysters scrambled in eggs. Lunch has deals too: the roasted eggplant is cheap and good. Three meals Tuesday through Saturday; only breakfast and lunch Sunday and Monday (line at door on Sunday). — *E.B. (10/01)*

**Cafe Pacifica** 2414 San Diego Avenue (next to Old Town graveyard), Old Town, 619-291-6666. The fare here is

mainly very fresh seafood, either fashioned up and somewhat chancy, or grilled simply and reliably excellent. Among the highlights are a clean-limbed 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-scorers. Optional valet parking \$4. Wheelchair lot and ramp behind restaurant (ask valet to direct you). Often very noisy. Serious, rather steep California wine list; full bar. Daily, dinner only. Upper moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**Jack and Giulio's Italian Restaurant** 2391 San Diego Avenue (at Arista), Old Town, 619-294-2074. After more than four decades in business, this father (Giulio) and son (Jack) operation manages to stay fresh. The antipasto salad with its thin-cut prosciutto and salami will get your juices flowing, or try the mango salad, with fresh mango, raisins, and sweet onions. All the traditional Italian entrées like veal parmigiana and fettuccine Alfredo are there, but go for the house specialties like Spaghetti New Orleans with shrimp, crawfish, and crab meat, or the expensive scampi dishes. Broke? Get a simple Angel Hair Mediterranean or rigatoni with meat sauce to enjoy out on the patio. Open for lunch and dinner, seven days. Moderate. — *E.B. (5/04)*

**Khyber Pass** 523 University Avenue (at Fifth Avenue), Hillcrest, 619-294-7579. The room's very modern, but Afghan cuisine is full of history, carrying echoes of both Persian and Indian foods, with even a hint of Greek (Alexander the Great conquered the region). Dinners feature kebabs, tandooris, curries, and some unique regional specialties. Flavors are exotic but oddly comfortable to the cosmopolitan palate. Among the don't-miss items are the outstanding *auslak* (spring onion ravioli) and *mantu* (ground-meat ravioli) — both with lively yogurt sauces — and *zamordd chalow*, a spicy lamb-and-spinach stew. Save room for the sexy desserts. Can be noisy inside; small sidewalk patio. Private dining room upstairs

bookable for parties. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (9/02)*

**Ono Sushi and Pacific Spice** 1236 University Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-298-0616. If you are searching for huge portions, fresh tasty food and reasonable prices, don't overlook this colorful Japanese/Pacific Rim café. Excellent specialty rolls, entrées, appetizers. Very crowded weekends; lively young crowd. Dinners nightly; open for lunch Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.W. (11/98)*

**Pomegranate Russian-Georgian Restaurant** 2302 El Cajon Boulevard (northeast corner of Louisiana), University Heights, 619-297-4007. Pomegranate's address is serendipitous, since the food of Deep-South Georgia is the Louisiana cuisine of the Slavic world — alive with fresh herbs, garlic, touches of hot pepper. This rustic-looking restaurant is animated with antic humor (check the multilingual graffiti on the walls) and offers unique, flavor-bomb dishes. Don't miss the world-beating beefy, herb-jungle borscht (beet soup, but it's way more than that), the Lobio bean dip, and Olivier salad. The chef slow-smokes his moist barbecued beef and pork and cold-smokes whole trout, a treat as a group appetizer or summer entrée. On weekends, there's sublimely smoky *shashlik* (a.k.a. shish kebab). The printed menu is only a hint as to what's really cooking, and regular patrons get the best off-menu choices. So become a regular. Street parking is dire. Reservations advised for weekend dinners. Dinner nightly, service until 11 p.m. on weekends. Moderate. — *N.W. (1/04)*

**Rice Jones** 3687 Fifth Avenue, Hillcrest, 619-291-1887. It's probably no coincidence that Anglo-Asian families seem to come here. Rice Jones's owner Anh Long had two good ideas: one, to provide rice with just about everything (usually sautéed with mushrooms and herbs, so customers can fill up without busting the bank), and two, to bridge the taste gap between Vietnam and California. She offers lemongrass chicken, and a turkey burger next to a Vietnamese grilled eggplant. Most exotic: "shrimp wrap," a shrimp patty wrapped around



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## RESTAURANTS

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**Terra** 3900 Vermont Street, Uptown Shopping Center, Hillcrest, 619-293-7088. Co-owner Jeff Rossman, formerly in charge of the front of the house, has moved into the kitchen to serve as chef at this comfortable neighborhood spot, serving venturesome, if uneven, tropical-influenced American cooking. You can settle in a spacious southwest-tinged dining room or people-watch from a sheltered outdoor patio (with smoking permitted). Generously sized tapas can serve as appetizers or as a sustaining bite before venturing into Trader Joe's across the street. The dinner menu changes seasonally, featuring barbecue items during the summer, comforting fare in colder weather, and special dinners on all major holidays. Good wine list with several flights available, full bar with tropical cocktails (Pisco Sours, Caipirinhas, et al.). Reservations advised, especially for weekends, holidays and special events (e.g., Sunday "blues and barbecue" during the summer). Open daily for lunch or brunch, snacks, dinner. Moderate. — *N.W. (6/01)*

## DOWNTOWN

**Athens Market** 109 West F Street (between First and Front), 619-234-1955. Alex Spanos and lots of local hotshots come here for honest Greek home cookin'. Yes, it's classy — white table cloths, linen napkins — but you can fill up on just a bowl of *fakae*, owner Mary Pappas's "secret recipe" lentil soup, and an appetizer, like *spanakopita* (spinach and cheese pastry pockets). And entrées like *arni psito* — roast leg of lamb — are guaranteed to stuff you. They come with rice, roast potato, a vegetable, soup or salad, and French bread and butter — all at a darned good price. Oh, and don't despise the gyro. Meat flavor's great, and it takes a football player to empty this plate. Lunch Monday through Friday; dinner nightly, to 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — *E.B. (2/03)*

**Cabo Cafe & Grill** 808 West Cedar (near Pacific Coast Highway), Little Italy, 619-595-1618. This miracle restaurant is run by homeless kids from the Monarch School Project next door, with a little help (okay, a lot) from Rubio's and its founder Ralph. He helped raise a million dollars to get the school and the restaurant running. Think Starbucks meets Taco Bell (oops, sorry Ralph). The place is like its kid-staff: smart, cheery (they painted all the seals and porpoise murals), with a great fountain-gurgling patio outside. Try the grilled burrito (grilled chicken or steak with guacamole, roasted salsa, sour cream, black beans, Mexican rice, and melted Jack cheese in a warm tortilla) or, as a great filler, the Cabo Maestro Bowl, with marinated grilled chicken or steak in a bowl with black beans, Mexican rice, cheeses, guacamole, and shredded cabbage. And yes, they do make the Rubio fish taco. Daily specials. Open weekdays, breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (5/02)*

**Candelas** 416 Third Avenue, Gaslamp, 619-702-4455. Don't look for tacos here — Chef Eduardo Baeza specializes in *alta cocina*, a luxurious, inventive combination of traditional Mexican fare and French techniques. In a handsome Spanish-style dining room (romantic but rather noisy) with gracious service, the menu emphasizes seafood, including a signature dish of luscious stuffed Maine lobster. Plenty for meat lovers, too, with fine Black Angus cuts inventively garnished. But the menu and ingredients have been somewhat compromised over the years to accommodate the "Dude, where's my taco?" conventioners. The choices are more Dude-friendly — that is, less venturesome than they might be, and execution can be uneven. In the lounge at 10 p.m. on weekends, the music cranks up and the scene goes disco (with a cover charge for nondiners; IDs checked). Reservations advised, required on weekends; slightly dressy. Lunch weekdays, dinner nightly until 11 p.m. Interesting but expensive wine list; food expensive or higher. — *N.W. (1/04)*

**Chive** 558 Fourth Avenue (near Island), Gaslamp, 619-232-4483. The old Chive was wonderful enough, but now, with chef Fabrice Poigin (most recently of Bertrand at Mr. A's) taking charge of the kitchen, it features a new cuisine for the upscale residential neighborhood rising around it. Diners can choose an adventure-meal or an evening of sophisticated comfort food. Urbane multicultural fusion dishes dance cheek to cheek with remade American classics and the occasional sleek French luxury dish. A new "grazing menu" features small bites for folks on a diet or on the run. The menu

changes seasonally, but you can trust the kitchen any time of year. Very noisy. Full bar. Dinner nightly, until 11:30 p.m. weekends. Full meals expensive; "grazing" can be moderate. — *N.W. (10/04)*

**Edgewater Grill** 861 W. Harbor Drive, Seaport Village, 619-232-7581. An easy walk from the Convention Center, the dining room is spacious and handsome, and the view from the crowded dining terrace is optimal (the bay, the Coronado Bridge, a park, etc.). The menu, though, is convention-centered — like a Howard Johnson's for the 21st century. The fare features middle-of-the-road faux-fusion salads, seafood, grilled steaks, pastas (most with shellfish), and individual pizzas, plus daily fin-fish dishes listed on a card in a plastic holder on the table. The lighter dishes are the most successful — this is not a bad place to "graze" on appetizers and a mini-pizza when you're starved for a view. Difficult wheelchair access to terrace. Open daily, breakfast through dinner. Entrées high moderate to very expensive. — *N.W. (8/01)*

**Fat City Steakhouse** 2137 Pacific Highway (at Hawthorn), Little Italy, 619-232-9303. In the Deco "pink palace" at the edge of downtown, the USDA Choice steaks (and one velvety Prime cut) are cooked over mesquite charcoal, which lends them a deliciously smoky campfire flavor. Don't like beef? You can choose nicely grilled chicken, pork, or salmon; two vegan pastas; or scampi. The appetizer list is mainly trite pub grub, but the fry cook does a great job with calamari. And in fair weather, the lush garden dining patio is a little piece of Eden. Full bar, rather basic wine list. Casual ambience, above-average wheelchair access from large, free parking lot. Dinner nightly, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Inexpensive to moderate. — *N.W. (12/02)*

**The Honey Bee Hive Bar and Grill** 1065 14th Street (at C), East Village, 619-702-6010. Seems like half the students and staff of City College are popping across the road to this cellar-dive. Why the bee theme? A hive of real bees once lived in here. Try the Bee Keeper burger (a half-pound cheeseburger), the King Bee honey-lemon grilled chicken sandwich or wrap, or the Queen Bee, a Cajun honey-grilled chicken sandwich or wrap. Also loved by the more affluent college staff: Big Daddy's 12-ounce steak with baked potato and salad. Open weekdays for lunch till late afternoon. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/04)*

**Las Cuatro Milpas** 1857 Logan Avenue, Barrio Logan, 619-234-4460. This isn't a restaurant, it's a legend. The same Estudillo family has been serving old-fashioned Mexican food here for three

generations — seventy years. Rice, beans, pork tacos (they don't serve beef), pork tamales, chorizo with eggs — that's about it. So how come they have lines outside every day? Blame a potent mixture of sentiment and the lard they refuse to abandon. Folks say that lard flavor is the real Mexico. Also famous: their Saturday *menudo*. Warning: go easy with their deep wine-colored hot sauce. It's room-rocker strength. The name? From a famous mariachi song, "The Four Cornfields." Open morning to mid-afternoon, Monday to Saturday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (8/03)*

**Pete's Quality Meats** 1742-1/2 India Street, Little Italy, 619-234-1684. Pete's Meats was just a butcher's shop until Pete's daughter and sister-in-law got the idea to set up a grill there. Now aficionados line up for Sicilian specialties like Italian-sausage sandwiches, steak sandwiches, and especially *spitini* — veal rolled around two cheeses, onions, tomatoes, pine nuts, currants, parsley, prosciutto, and breadcrumbs. Pete stuffs all of that into a hot bun with marinara sauce, sautéed peppers, and onions as packing. Nuff said? Inexpensive. — *E.B. (11/00)*

**Rama** 327 Fourth Avenue (near K Street), Gaslamp, 619-501-8424. This large, handsome restaurant is the younger brother of Celadon in Hillcrest. It's named for the king of Thailand and offers Thai cuisine fit for royalty, made with top ingredients (including Chino Farms produce). The menu includes all the popular favorites but adds authentic dishes rarely found locally, such as chicken and squid with flat noodles and caramelized palm sugar, and a wicked Thai version of Chinese twice-cooked pork, a fat-fest made with unsmoked bacon. Soups and curries are based on freshly made coconut cream of swoony richness. The extensive wine list, unusual in this genre, offers affordable, food-friendly choices plus an interesting reserve list. Full bar. Lunch Monday through Saturday, dinner nightly. Moderate. — *N.W. (10/04)*

**Rei Do Gado Churrascaria** 939 Fourth Avenue (between E and Broadway), Gaslamp, 619-702-8464. The meats just keep on coming at a Brazilian *rodizio*: skewer after skewer of *churrasco* (Brazilian barbecue), a near-endless procession of rotisserie-grilled meats and poultry. At each table there's a wooden cone with one end red and the other end green. Turn the green side up to start the servers parading to your table, offering you tastes cut from long spits of salty, simply seasoned pork, poultry, ribs, sausages, and numerous cuts of beef. Turn the cone red side up to take a break from the protein parade. The gargan-

tuan spread includes a buffet in the front of the restaurant with a changeable array of alluring side dishes, salads, fruit, and such intriguing hot entrées as Brazilian oxtail stew or seafood in coconut milk, with exotic but oddly comfortable flavors. There's always a potful of *feijoad*, the national dish — slow-cooked, meaty black beans (in a somewhat bland version, which you can live up with a splash of hot sauce). No matter how often you eat here, you'll never have the same meal twice. Reservations advisable for weekends. Full bar (have a *Caipirinha*). No doggie-bags. Lunch and dinner daily. Moderate (considering the food amount); prices higher on weekends. — *N.W. (10/02)*

**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)*

**Sevilla** 555 Fourth Avenue (at Market Street), Gaslamp, 619-233-5979. (Also in Carlsbad.) This site has three faces: a crowded but civilized tapas bar for spontaneous snacking, a romantic dining room with serious Spanish entrées, and a basement nightclub dishing out assembly-line paella. The best food is upstairs. You can get tapas in the restaurant and entrées at the bar, and in either case the choices are varied, interesting, and highly cosmopolitan, executed with wonderful consistency. Be sure to look for something that includes potatoes; the humble spud gets Cinderella treatment here. No reservations (or wheelchairs) at tapas bar; reservations strongly recommended for dining room. Dinner daily. Moderate. — *N.W. (2/01)*

**The Westgate Gourmet Delicatessen** Third Avenue, between Broadway and C Street, downtown, 619-557-3698. This is where you take your respectable Aunt Martha for lunch. The place reeks of gentility. Green carpets, white linen cloths, fresh flowers, chandeliers, giant potted palms. It's part of the Westgate hotel, and looks like a

grocery for the rich who just can't live without specialty olive oils and expensive wines. But prices for sandwiches, light breakfasts, and lunches are down there with the best Market Street liquor-deli. The Hawaiian chicken salad (with walnuts, pineapple, chutney, fresh seasonal fruits, and non-fat mayo) is filling and healthy. But the best deal is the soup and half-sandwich combo, especially the Friday cioppino: a tomato-based soup filled with fish such as sea bass, shrimp, shark, lobster, and scallops. Open Monday through Friday for breakfast and lunch. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (9/01)*

## SOUTH BAY & CORONADO

**Cilantro Live!** 315-1/2 3rd Avenue, Chula Vista, 619-827-7401. Look in Cristina Guzmán's kitchen: no ovens, no burners. Guzman's theory? Never heat food above 112 degrees or the enzymes will die. Enzymes? They're life. They give you energy and do your digestion for you. What's amazing is how much real-looking and -tasting food she can create with raw nuts and twigs. And fruit. And especially seeds. She creates "tuna" wraps (using sunflower-pumpkin seed pâté), burgers (using flax seeds), "meat" loaf (using walnuts) — all pretty credible and edible. Drinks? The margaritas (green apple with ginger, lime, and cinnamon) have to be good: Ms. Guzmán comes from Mexico City. Open for lunch and dinner Tuesday through Sunday. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (1/04)*

**Coronado Boathouse 1887** 1701 Strand Way, Coronado, 619-435-0155. For a relaxing good time with lovely views and tasty food to match, put on your aloha shirt and head over the bridge. The old Coronado Boathouse boasts a handsome, historic structure with architecture mirroring the nearby Hotel Del, plus enthusiastic servers, terrific water views, and satisfying mainstream American cooking. The herbed artichoke appetizer is wonderful, as is the very fresh macadamia-crust halibut sauced with coconut milk. The juicy roast beef here is USDA Prime (translates to "melt in your mouth") and even the desserts offer some old favorites cooked with classy ingredients and imaginative twists. A perfect place to entertain your in-laws or hold your birthday dinner. Full bar. Dinner seven days (weekends until 1 a.m.), moderate to expensive. — *N.W. (10/04)*

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**Filipino Desserts Plus** 2220-Q East Plaza Boulevard, National City, 619-479-6748; also at 8955-F Mira Mesa Boulevard (inside Searoad City), Mira Mesa, 858-271-5754. Filipinos often mix sweet and savory, so it's no surprise that this desserts place has regular dishes too, including *adobo* pork, *pancit*, and *lumpia*. But the pride of the place is the desserts, from the *ube halala* (purple yam custard) and *maja blanca* (coconut-corn combo) to the *sapin sapin* (multicolored layer cake) and fried sweet *saba* banana on a skewer. But watch it if someone offers you "chocolate milk" — it's slang for pig's blood. Open six days, breakfast through early dinner; closes early on Sundays. — E.B. (9/04)

**Island Wok** 922 Orange Avenue, Coronado, 619-435-6835. This tiny indoor-outdoor-takeaway café is a standby with locals, especially the high school crowd. It serves good Vietnamese-Chinese food, and plenty of it. The owner, Xuan, makes scrumptious fresh (not fried) Vietnamese spring rolls wrapped in rice paper with shrimp, pork, or chicken and vegetables in the middle. But most customers go for the steam-table combination plates. You always get chow mein, fried or steamed rice, and a fried spring roll to start off, and then you can add entrées like orange chicken, *kung pao* chicken, or sweet-and-sour pork. Closed Sunday. Inexpensive. — E.B. (12/01)

**Moonlight on the Sea/Club 13**  
640 Civic Center Drive (under I-5 at Harbor Drive), National City, 619-477-2851. Is this what sailors dream of when they're at sea? The little blue under-the-freeway shack has been serving up *cervezas*, BBQ, and burgers to sailors and shipbuilders since 1934, most of the time as "Club 13." Traditionally, Hell's Angels visited it on their north-south tour of California's oldest bars. In 1993, Linda, the latest owner, added the romantic "Moonlight On The Sea" moniker. She prepares and hand-rolls her own *lumpia*, and it shows. It has a nice fresh veggie, marinated-meat taste. And of course the grilled cheese sand-

wiches, wings, cheeseburgers, and dinnertime doubleburgers fit right into this wonderful throwback bar. Lunch, dinner, seven days. Inexpensive. — *E.B. (10/02)*

**Peohe's** The Landing, 1201 First Street, Coronado, 619-437-4474. This gorgeous, view-endowed restaurant offers upscale, Hawaiian-inspired fish and giant Angus steaks in a plush tropical-style setting with indoor waterfalls and three separate patios. Given the visual splendor, much of the food is better than it needs to be, featuring top-quality seafood prepared with care, e.g., halibut in a lush, sassy Frangelico-touched macadamia *beurre blanc*. A chocolate shell filled with macadamia nut ice cream may be worth the calories, too. Full bar. Reservations advised. Lunch (with limited breakfast) Monday through Saturday; brunch Sunday. Dinner nightly. Expensive. — N.W. (3/01)

**Swaddee Thai** 1001 C Avenue (at 10th Street), Coronado, 619-435-8110. Tourists never stray to Swaddee's quiet residential location a block from the bright lights of Orange Avenue. The loss is the locals' gain. The dining room is a quiet, lovely haven from the hustle; the service is caring and gracious. Even if the long list of Siamese specialties is merely standard, the kitchen, too, is devoted to the art of gently giving pleasure. The peanut sauce accompanying the *saté*, for instance, is classically balanced; the complex but soothing coconut-chicken soup can wash away all cares; and the calamari in the many seafood arrays is cleverly knife-scored to achieve sheer tenderness along with good looks. Even the jasmine rice is an exceptionally fragrant brand. Unless you specify otherwise, spicy dishes have a nice nip tuned to brave but tender *farang* tastebuds. Lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday; dinner only Saturday. Inexpensive to moderate. — N.W. (9/00)

**BAJA**

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**Cien Años** Calle José María Velasco 1407, Zona Río, Tijuana, 634-3039 or 634-7262. This lovely, comfortable, dressy-casual “destination restaurant” serves extraordinary Mexican haute cuisine, graced with a brilliant variety of sauces based on elaborations of Mexican ingredients, including tropical fruits, nuts, and above all a vast variety of chile peppers, each with its own distinctive

flavor (not all of them spicy). You could eat here a dozen times and not begin to exhaust the possibilities. Just a few of the treats are mushrooms steeped in beef marrow, crocodile meat mini-tacos, *pozole* with crab meat, and an irresistible beef and shrimp stew. (Food critic Ruth Reichl consumed a meal of exotic Aztec delicacies, including ant roe and mezal worms, and you can try them too when they're in season.) The wine list is devoted wholly to ambitious Baja wineries; you're also welcome to BYO. Bar choices include damiana and hibiscus liqueurs. Menu and staff are bilingual. Reservations strongly advised; ask for directions. Moderate. — N.W. (1/04)

**La Costa** Calle Galeana #8131 (Seventh Street between Revolución and Constitución), Tijuana, 685-8494 or 685-3124. Even after four decades, fisherman-singer Adrián Pedrín Aramburo's seafood place looks fresh, with its blue-and-white floor tiles, polished brass portholes, and varnish. Some seafood combos can be costly, but most fish and oyster dishes are reasonable. Everybody seems to go for fileted sea bass — the baked "Catalina" with mushroom cream sauce, or "Olivia," stuffed with octopus and shrimp, are really good. So are "Madrazo" oysters, with chipotle and bacon. But you can't go wrong with the less expensive whole fish plates, like the charcoal-broiled "Sarandeado" (just watch out for the bones). Each entrée comes with soup, hors d'oeuvre, salad, rice, and coffee, plus a Kahlua-based drink-dessert. Bonus: the owner's charming menu inserts. Open daily, late breakfast through dinner. Moderate to expensive. — E.B. (3/05)

**La Fonda** Baja Highway 1, Km. 59 (Alisios exit from toll-road, about halfway between Rosarito and Ensenada, near CESUN Universidad), 661-628-7352. It's hard to imagine a better start to the day, in any sweeter ambiance, than at La Fonda ("The Inn"), which offers Mexican and American breakfast dishes and a lavish Sunday brunch buffet with both. Arrive early for patio seating under a straw umbrella with a full-out ocean view. The bilingual menu is written on chalkboards and dinner choices change nightly, featuring American and Mexican seafood entrées and deluxe meats aged in-house. Most staffers speak some English. Full bar, including Baja-grown wines. Open daily, three meals, starting about 9 a.m. Inexpensive to moderate; cash only. — N.W. (4/03)

**Malecon de Puerto Nuevo** Northwest edge of Puerto Nuevo; take Calle Entrada (entry road) to the ocean-front bluff, edge right, and walk about 30 feet down a steep dirt road running seaward from the street-market on the ocean-side edge of town. Look for a yellow building with blue trim and a terrace with umbrellas. Worth looking for. This great, honest little restaurant harks back to the original, uncommercialized “lobster village” before it got its capital letters and written menus. Open since August, 2002, it’s owned by an active fisherman, who serves (as much as weather permits) fresh-caught local lobsters and genuine “daily catch” with standard sides — superb frijoles, red rice, real melted butter — and that’s all. The first-course ceviche, when available, is astonishingly flavorful with fish caught that very morning; in harsher weather, a hearty, warming fish chowder substitutes. Breaking from Puerto Nuevo tradition, when the lobster is fresh caught it’s simply split and grilled, not large-fried first, and all the better for it. Some staffers are bilingual. Open brunch through dinner. No reservations, cash only. Low moderate. — N.W. (11/02)

**Manzanilla** Riveroll 122 (off Lopez Mateo), Ensenada, Baja Mexico, 646-175-7073. At this art-filled, very “Euro” bistro, a pair of gifted, classically trained chef-owners are pioneering “new Mexican cuisine,” creating sophisticated combinations of superb local products and traditional Mexican flavors. Fresh-caught seafood, local-grown vegetables and mesquite smoke from the wood-burning grill are featured players on the seasonal menus; a spectacular rib-eye steak, tender and intensely beefy, is also constant. Little wonder this has become *the* destination restaurant south of Tijuana. The menu is in Spanish, but owners Benito Molina and Solange Muris Evans speak fluent English, as do some wait staff. (The only communication problem will be the exotic music blasting on the sound system.) Reserve for weekends, especially during tourist seasons. Full bar featuring tequilas, Baja vintners. Wednesday through Saturday, late lunch through dinner, until midnight. Moderate. — N.W. (9/04)

**Original Ortega's** In Puerto Nuevo, next to Casa de la Langosta, on the first street to your left (Calle Principal) after entering town through the entry gate. Open since 1952, this is the original "Lobster Village" restaurant, and not much has changed. Eventually Ortega's

grew into an octopus with multiple arms in Puerto Nuevo and Rosarito Beach, all pretty similar. The menu is longer than most, with numerous starters (including a tasty ceviche and an excellent tortilla soup), varied seafood entrées and *antojitos*, desserts, and even fancy coffees (including “Viagra,” which features reputedly aphrodisiac Damiana herbal liqueur). The spiny lobsters (once local but now from who-knows-where) are first fried in lard, then finished off on the grill, and served with a greasy-tasting melted “Kitchen Maid” margarine blend, frijoles, rice, tortillas, and salsa. Full bar, English menu, staff marginally bilingual. Moderate to high, but with low-moderate specials. No reservations, cash only. — N.W. (11/02)

## MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

**Bully's East** 2401 Camino del Rio South, Mission Valley, 619-291-2665. Also at 5755 La Jolla Boulevard, La Jolla (858-459-2768), and 1404 Camino del Mar, Del Mar (858-755-1660). Despite the plasma TV sports screen, this place is very sixties. For example, dark, woody, plush red booths. And always crowded. Word is, they serve more prime rib with au jus and horseradish than any eatery in San Diego. The "Petite Cut" 8 ounce, their smallest, fills you plenty, with its baked potato and salad. But just once, come here with your main squeeze and order up the "full cut for two." It hangs ten over the edges. Or go bonkers and order the 32-ounce cut — just to watch your neighbors' eyes bug out. Not flush? Try the "Bully Burger," French dip sandwich, or calamari sandwich. Lonely? Go to the horseshoe-shaped Low Bar. Lunch and dinner daily. The price ranges. — *E.B. (2/03)*

**El Pollo Loco** 2795 Main, Logan Heights, 619-595-0847. Additional locations in College Ave, Midway, Carmel Mountain, Chula Vista, El Cajon, Lemon Grove, National City, Poway, and more. This Mexican-style chicken chain offers healthier, tastier fast food. The flame-broiled poultry has crisp, richly seasoned, very salty skin; the flesh can vary from barely done to overdone, but usually is just right. The bird (or any assortment of its parts) comes with sage gravy, tortillas, and a choice of side dishes that includes rice, sweet black beans, crisp and

clean coleslaw, great gooey-cheesy macaroni, and passable mashed potatoes. Help yourself to salsas (there are four varieties), chopped onions, lemons, cilantro, hot peppers. But stick with the chicks — the taqueria-style choices are barely better than Taco Bell. Check for daily specials, wherein a small amount of cash will buy a huge amount of highly palatable poultry. Open daily, lunch and dinner. Inexpensive. — N.W. (2/03)

**Popeye's Chicken & Biscuits** 2333  
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(whether of chicken or crawfish, when  
available) is surprisingly decent. The  
gumbo, offered at some locations, is  
weird — flavors aren't bad, but it's more  
like a flavors risotto, with wet rice  
instead of liquid (where's the soup?). Dirty  
rice and jambalaya are nasty and dry.  
Food quality varies subtly from branch  
to branch, as does the attitude of the  
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*The only thing the least bit out of the ordinary is the closeness of correlation to the present day.*

One significant influence, or impact, of *V for Vendetta* on popular culture seems perfectly apparent. It will take away an option from Sue Grafton when it comes time for the author to name her third detective novel from her newest one, *S Is for Silence*. (Let's see. *V* could still be for Victim... Vandal... Vice... Vengeance....) What more influence, or impact, could be expected of the comic-book adaptation du jour? Its own title, straight off the "graphic novel" by Alan Moore, should really be reversed, *Vendetta for V*, seeing as how "V" is the name of the vendettist himself, taken from the very source of his grievance, the Roman numeral on his cell door in a top-secret facility for Nazi-esque medical experiments. When we first meet him, he alliterates like mad with the twenty-second letter of the alphabet, but he thereafter drops that affectation, so as not to turn himself into a Batman villain. Hidden behind the stiff grin of a Guy Fawkes mask (a 17th-century prologue explains to a new generation Who Fawkes Was),

he's a kind of Frankensteinian composite pieced together of Zorro (the black hat and cape, the revolutionary politics, the carving of his initial on his handiwork), Blade (the adeptness with cutlery, the customized arsenal thereof), the Phantom of the Opera (the disfigurement by fire, the romantic

longing, the underground lair), among others. Batman, Darkman, whatever-man. But it's his superhuman powers, much more than his plagiarisms, that make him into a bore: a martial-arts magician, an invincible one-man-army, a rebel without a care. The Australian actor Hugo Weaving is the sonorous voice, and presumably the body, behind the disguise. And Natalie Portman, with a faint and fugitive British accent, and a political-prisoner haircut that martyrs her in the image of a Tibetan monk, is the tomato of his eye.

The setting is indeed England, at a time in the near future when America, undermined by an unspecified war (illustrative news clips from the Middle East), has been reduced to "the world's



*V for Vendetta*

biggest leper colony." England isn't much better, your standard totalitarian dystopia by way of Orwell, hard on minorities and nonconformists, explicitly homosexuals of both sexes, one of whom harbors a clandestine copy of the Koran. (For aesthetic reasons only, like one of the Book People in *Fahrenheit 451*.) The television voice

of the regime, meantime, is a Bill O'Reilly blowhard, and its official head (John Hurt, promoted from his spot as the downtrodden hero in the latest screen treatment of 1984) is a Hitlerian ranter and raver. The only thing the least bit out of the ordinary in all of this is the closeness of the correlation to the present day, the strictness of the

equivalence, the bluntness of the political comment, the harness on the imagination. One might guess that the filmmakers — first-time director and veteran ad man James McTeigue, screenwriters Andy and Larry Wachowski — would stop short of equating terrorism and justice. But that can only be a guess. They, and their upright terrorist, to the

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inaudible cheers of Al Qaeda, do not stop short of blowing up Parliament.

*Tsotsi*, a film from South Africa, walked off with the recent Oscar for Best Foreign Film. That the Oscar for the best nonforeign film went to *Crash* tells you pretty much all you need to know about the legitimacy of that honor. Writer and director Gavin Hood, adapting a novel by Athol Fugard, demonstrates conclusively that a film from South Africa can be as flashy and fashion-conscious as a film from anyplace else. He makes an effort, in addition, to supply a reason, a “motivation,” for why a vicious cold-blooded punk who has hijacked a car with a baby in the back seat would decide to keep the baby and personally care for him. The reason, nothing to do with thoughts of ransom, is unpersuasive. And objections will not be swept away under the onslaught of pathetic details: diapering the baby in newspaper, brushing ants from his face on the first morning, carrying him around in a shopping bag, soliciting parenting lessons at gunpoint from a beautiful young mother in the neighborhood. The depiction of a segregated shantytown, for all its music-video glossiness, does provide something of what we want from a foreign film, a window on the world. If the very same scenario, however, were transplanted to Atlanta or Detroit, and if it had no subtitles for an air of rarefaction, the film might have been more easily dismissed as contrived, manipulative, maudlin. Then again, it might have won an Oscar all the same.

*Don’t Come Knocking* reunites the writing and directing team of *Paris, Texas*, Sam Shepard and Wim Wenders, for a similarly slow-moving road movie which seems to be set in an alternative universe where there still exists in the present day, much as it existed half a century ago, a class of people known as “Western actors,” i.e., actors predominantly identified with Westerns. One of these might then be branded in the tabloids as the “Western Bad Boy,” to set him apart from his better-behaved brethren, for his promiscuous ways with women, drugs, and liquor. (In a departure from *Paris, Texas*, Shepard himself plays the protagonist, an interesting performance that involves a lot touching, stroking, rubbing of his face, as if he needed to confirm constantly his corporeality.) And such a man, too, might then choose to abscond on horseback from the set of an oater called *Phantom of the West* in Moab, Utah. (If this took place in our own universe, the oater could only be a TNT Original, like the allegorical Western starring Sam Shepard, *Purgatory*.) To shake any pursuers, he swaps clothes with a grizzled old codger, throws away his cellphone and credit cards, and seeks temporary refuge with the mother he hasn’t seen in decades (Eva Marie Saint), who will give direction and purpose to his flight when she shares the gossip tidbit that he has a grown son he never knew about (Gabriel Mann), a moody rock-and-roller with a Fifties ducktail, whose rebellious nature hasn’t taken him more than a stone’s throw from the restaurant run by his mother (Jessica Lange) in Butte, Montana. By the luckiest chance, a daughter he also never knew about (Sarah Polley), by a separate mother, simultaneously roams the streets of Butte, lugging her mother’s ashes in an urn. The entire affair — a Shepard’s pie of restlessness, rootlessness, and unseverable blood ties — is saved from total silliness by Wenders’s cool command of tempo and tone.

(Though he’d have done well to rein in Lange in her emotional dam-burst on a public sidewalk.) This filmmaker, the most durable of the New German filmmakers of the Seventies, requires a locale more than he requires a script. The evocative Western landscapes, the ribbony roadways, the cascade of colored lights in a small-town Nevada casino, the ghostly streets of Butte — all these are more real, more beckoning, than the human story. Wenders truly settles into a place, occupies it, observes it, absorbs it. And the emptier the better: see, for instance, Tim Roth, as the relentless pursuer from the bond company, amusing himself with the sound of his cordless razor in the wide-open spaces. In Wenders’s stronger movies, locale is but a supplement. In lesser ones such as this, it’s a substitute.

My attendance at the San Diego Latino Film Festival was too sporadic to permit any pronouncements on the Best of the Fest. Just about all I can say is that, besides the previously discussed *Duck Season* (which opens commercially at Landmark’s Hillcrest this Friday), I was very taken with Manuel Martín Cuenca’s *Malas Temporadas*, translated as *Hard Times*, although the literal *Bad Times* would not over-

state it. Remarkably, this was selected by the official festival jury as the Best Narrative Feature. Maybe, after all, I missed nothing unmissable. In the narrative pattern of a TV soap opera, the film braids together, in modern Madrid, some proverbial lives of quiet desperation: an expatriate Cuban smuggler, a crippled unfaithful wife, an ex-con chess master and his bartending former cellmate, an overworked social worker and her teenage Oblomov who will not leave his room, plus peripherals. Nothing overly sensational happens, only the mustering of sufficient courage to carry on. For all the overt angst, I found it to be an invigorating escape, an immediate involvement, a thorough engulfment, in the lives of believable people, always so much more involving than those of unbelievable people. (Cf. the three movies above.) One line of dialogue could stand as a pithy fictional credo: “The world outside is pretty fucked-up. Sometimes you need to invent another.” Beyond that two-hour escape, the festival in toto offered a week-and-a-half escape, a getaway from the everyday moviegoing grind. Where else can you find a full house on a Monday or Tuesday night? Where

else can you see moviegoers dancing a tango to live music in the lobby? Where else in a neighborhood theater can you sense such a spirit of community? Now that it’s over, I’d be a lot more depressed if I didn’t have the diversion of the NCAA basketball tournament. Once *that’s* over, I’ll succumb. ■

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past reviews sorted alphabetically, by year of release and by rating, are available online at SanDiegoReader.com.

**April’s Shower** — Lesbian romantic comedy written and directed by, as well as starring, Trish Doolan, with Maria Cina and Randall Batinkoff. (MISSION VALLEY 7, FROM 3/24)

**Aquamarine** — Pallid mermaid comedy aimed at tween girls or lower. Two representatives of that group, unnaturally perky, advise a more mature mermaid on the do’s and don’ts of the mating game as played on dry land. No reason why that shouldn’t have been fun (and educational) for all. With Emma Roberts, Joanna “Jojo”

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## MOVIES

Levesque, Sara Paxton, Jake McDornan; directed by Elizabeth Allen. 2006.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; FASHION VALLEY 18; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**Ask the Dust** — Depression-period romance, written and directed by Robert Towne, in a largely dark, nocturnal, un-sunny Southern California, a star-crossed affair between a gringo and a Chicana, or more disparagingly a “dago” and a “spic,” an impoverished young novelist taken under the wing, at long distance, of H.L. Mencken (whose voice in correspondence is provided by film critic and historian Richard Schickel) and a consumptive diner waitress from south of the border, two marginals with a tenuous sense of be-

longing. (The source material is a 1939 autobiographical novel by John Fante.) Because it is no sort of thriller, it avoids the plotting snarls and snags of Towne’s screenplays for things like *Chinatown*, *The Two Jakes*, and the two *Mission: Impossible*’s, but it does not avoid the structural weaknesses of slow, shapeless, and exasperating development. And notwithstanding the compatible blackness of their hair, Colin Farrell and Salma Hayek do not have a great deal of chemistry between them, although the combustible Hayek all by herself has enough chemistry for them both. With Idina Menzel, Jeremy Crutchley, Donald Sutherland, Eileen Atkins. 2006.

★ (FLOWER HILL 4, FROM 3/24; LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Brokeback Mountain** — Here’s fulfillment of any desire for a homosexual cowboy movie, superseding all those inadmissible innuendos as to Wyatt Earp and Doc Holliday, the Lone Ranger and Tonto, the Cisco Kid and Pancho, et al. It fills out and plumps up a sketchy, skinny, yet ample short story by E. Annie Proulx, about a love

that dare not speak its name in the unliberated time and place of 1963 Wyoming, a love that could not be denied despite denials (“You know I ain’t queer” and “Me neither”), a love that would survive each man’s marriage and fatherhood, over a period approaching two decades, but a love that could never come down from the mountain where it sprang up: “This is a goddam bitch of an unsatisfactory situation.” Though the story was quite precisely written before the murder of Matthew Shepard in that same territory, the movie arrives long after that, and with a clearer, cruder sense about it of payback, of axe-grinding, of remedial education. There is also a sense about it of material stretched too thin, a slow, uneventful, time-biding start, working up stealthily to the moment of maximal male bonding, and then a straightforward, chronological, but time-skipping follow-through. The greater detail and delay on screen, as against the page, do not equate to greater credibility. One credible detail: the horseplay that turns rough on the eve of their first parting, the eloquent expression of nonverbal types. Contrastingly, their first reunion, a clinch of sumowrestler ferocity, right under the nose of one of the wives, is miles from credible. Jake Gyllenhaal, with his choirboyish pretty face and lofty voice, is the more acceptably typecast of the two. But Heath Ledger, lowering his voice to a Scott Glenn register, inside a clamped jaw, and suppressing his native Aussie accent, conveys the more poignant image of inhibition and concealment. Both actors look good in their jeans, in their hats, on their horses, and with their Marlboro Man smokes. And the voluptuous landscape is lovingly photographed. Director Ang Lee already did a lot of that in *Ride with the Devil*, and did it, at the time, with more impact of surprise and revelation. (Ang Lee? Man of action?) What’s new here feels frankly inevitable, not at all revelatory; and the director of *The Wedding Banquet*, *Sense and Sensibility*, and *The Ice Storm* seems an unsurprising man for the job. Michelle Williams, Anne Hathaway. 2005.

★ (MISSION VALLEY 7, FROM 3/24)

**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.

★★★★ (FLOWER HILL 4; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA VILLAGE, FROM 3/24; POWAY 10; TOWN SQUARE 14)

**C.S.A.: The Confederate States of America** — Satirical science fiction, alternative-universe subdivision: What would have happened had the South won the Civil War? (One thing: it would have become known as the War of Northern Aggression.) A viable idea, but throttled by hamfisted humor, amateur acting, and a cheap and expedient mockumentary format, mixing archive footage, staged interviews, cinematic parodies (a Griffith short depicting the capture of Abe Lincoln in blackface, etc.), and sub-*Saturday Night Live* commercial spoofs (the Coon Chicken Inn, etc.). Written and directed by Kevin Willmott. 2006.

● (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Curious George** — Juvenile monkey-shines, scrimpingly animated, monopolistically voiced by Will Ferrell as the primate’s adopted human, and accompanied by a posy of insipid songs. Based on the books by Margret and H.A. Rey; directed by Matthew O’Callaghan. 2006.

● (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24; VOGUE)

**Date Movie** — In the mode of *Scary Movie*, a witless collection of references to, thefts from, and spoofs of, assorted romantic comedies, nonromantic comedies, non-

comedies, anything at all, *My Big Fat Greek Wedding* to *Lord of the Rings*. The assumption seems to be that mere recognition will bring forth laughter. With Alyson Hannigan, Adam Campbell, Jennifer Coolidge, Fred Willard, Tony Cox, and Eddie Griffin; directed by Aaron Seltzer. 2006.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; PALM PROMENADE 24; RANCHO DEL REY 16)

**Dave Chappelle’s Block Party** — The titular comedian hosts a hip-hop concert on a rainy September day in Brooklyn (Kanye West, Mos Def, Erykah Badu, Jill Scott, the Fugees), and beforehand rounds up extra partygoers in his stamping ground of Dayton, Ohio, including the entire marching band of Central State U., to be bused to the event. Chronology never imposes itself, and the concert gets chopped up into little bits — probably, as an anti-monotony measure, a blessing. The substandard video image, meanwhile, is an unrelieved curse. Directed by Michel Gondry. 2006.

★ (FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**Don’t Come Knocking** — Reviewed this issue. With Sam Shepard, Jessica Lange, Gabriel Mann, Sarah Polley, and Tim Roth; directed by Wim Wenders.

★★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 3/24)

**Duck Season** — Modest little Mexican comedy by Fernando Eimbcke, shot in black-and-white, or anyway low-contrast gray, with an impassive static camera and a strong compositional eye for the artless, graceless lines and planes of a drab urban-scape. (The few grainy flashbacks with a mobile hand-held camera add nothing, and the one that exposes the barbarities of the Dog Pound even subtracts something.) A bit of a shaggy-dog story, or perhaps a ruffled-duck story (the title alludes to a nature painting of disputed ownership in a divorce settlement), it passes a single leisurely day in the company of two early-teen boys left alone in a middle-class apartment. The slightly older neighbor girl (a very engaged and engaging actress, Danny Perea) comes over to use the oven and warms up to one of the boys, and a pizza-delivery man won’t go away without his payment despite missing his guaranteed delivery deadline by maybe a minute. A standoff ensues, and a video-game soccer match fails to settle the argument when the power goes out in sudden-death overtime. The business of the marijuana in the birthday cake might be pretty stale, but the bigger business of human isolation and tentative connection, when observed with the patience and perception of Eimbcke, remains ever-fresh. Enrique Arreola, Diego Cataño, Daniel Miranda. 2005.

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**Eight Below** — Agreeably old-fashioned survival adventure, “inspired by a true story” as well as by a Japanese film inspired by the same story, about a team of Antarctic sled dogs who, after saving the life of a UCLA scientist in quest of “the first meteorite from the planet Mercury,” are chained up for safekeeping while their masters fly out to get medical aid, and are then left on their own for six months — forty-two months, that would be, in dog years — when winter storms come ahead of schedule and seal off their retrieval. The early shots of the dog team in harness at full run (“They absolutely love their work”) are stirring; and the rescue of the scientist from a hole in the ice, the leader of the pack worming her way towards him with a life-line in her teeth, is breath-stopping. There is also, in their months of aloneness, one moment guaranteed to make you jump out of your skin, and that’s just the start of the film’s most nerve-racking sequence. All eight dogs, blessedly free of inner voices provided by the likes of Bruce Willis and Whoopi Goldberg, form as stoical an ensemble of actors as you could find outside a Jean-Pierre Melville gangster film. They thoroughly outclass Paul Walker, Jason Biggs, Bruce Greenwood, and Moon Bloodgood (as the hottie airplane pilot), despite the humans’ sincerest efforts and the indiscriminately flattering photography, crisp, clean, bright, by Don Burgess. Not all of the dogs (pussies be warned) make it through alive, but it’s precisely at the times of loss and injury that their demeanor is most inspirational. *This is bad*, their faces seem to say, *but let’s get on with it*. A couple of them, over the course of events, emerge as individuals, but even then the overriding point, and very touching point, is their togetherness, their oneness. As their handler laconically puts it: “Good team.” Directed by Frank Marshall. 2006.

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**Everything Is Illuminated** — A road film in a sparse landscape, an adaptation of a novel by Jonathan Safran Foer. It follows the quest — the “very rigid search,” in the uncertain English of the Ukrainian guide and translator — for the peasant woman who in WWII saved the life of the late grandfather of a young American Jew (Elijah Wood, looking like one of the Men in Black, an alien even in his native land), but really a quest for quirks, personal oddities, cultural dissonances. Actor-turned-director Liev Schreiber (strictly behind the camera) pushes the absurdism very hard, and the re-

lentless ethnic background music lends a hand and a shoulder, until the climax of straight schmaltz and a musical switch to angelic harps. Eugene Hutz, Boris Leskin, Laryssa Lauret. 2005.

★ (SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY, 3/27, 6:30 P.M.)

**Failure to Launch** — This romantic-comic bauble by Tom Dey has a definite situation, namely a mid-thirties stud still living at home with his parents. If the situation were born of any necessity — financial, psychological, medical, or otherwise — the film might additionally have had a subject. But since the situation is only an amorous stratagem, an ace-in-the-hole shameful secret useful for scaring off over-serious girlfriends, the film is left with no more than a formula: the burdened parents hire a “professional interventionist” (new synonym for paid escort) to woo their son away from the nest, the wooer soon starts to fall for him in earnest, he sees through the ruse and cuts himself off from both wooer and parents (good question: “Why didn’t you just say something? All you had to do was tell me”), and everyone reconciles in the end. More simply, the whole thing is just a piece of exercise equipment for a couple of A-list hardbodies named Matthew McConaughey and Sarah Jessica Parker, the latter of whom could be said to be miscast as a character forever claiming and demonstrating a hearty appetite. Zooey Deschanel, as the sardonic roommate (what lately would have been known as the Joan Cusack character) driven half-mad by a persistent mockingbird, protects herself — and her “indie” reputation — behind her idiosyncratic delivery of lines, half-depressive and half-drugged. (If you’re not having a good time, well, neither is she.) And Terry Bradshaw, the former football star and cur-

rent buffoonish football analyst, reveals the desperation of the enterprise by revealing his heimie. Justin Bartha, Kathy Bates. 2006.

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**Final Destination 3** — Commonplace instance of a sequel that’s really just an alternative version, a completely different cast of characters in a parallel series of contrived chain-reaction accidents with gory payoffs, all to test the dictum that you can’t cheat death. Death, evidently, will go to great serpentine lengths to see that you don’t. Gross lengths. Rube Goldberg lengths. You wouldn’t think death had so much spare time. With Mary Elizabeth Winstead, Ryan Merriman, Amanda Crew, and Kris Lemche; directed by James Wong. 2006.

● (MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROMENADE 24)

**Find Me Guilty** — Forty-nine years after Sidney Lumet’s first courthouse drama, as well as first film of any type, *Twelve Angry Men* (which, inasmuch as it takes place in the jury room, can’t quite be called a courtroom drama), the now eighty-one-year-old director returns to the genre. He had gone back to it several times before: *The Verdict*, *Guilty as Sin*, *Night Falls on Manhattan*. This time he tells the factual story of the longest criminal trial in U.S. history: twenty-two months from 1986 through 1987, twenty separate defendants rounded up from the Luchese crime family, sev-

enty-six charges altogether, and at the end of the proceedings a brief fourteen hours of jury deliberations. The unwieldiness of it all, to say nothing of the talkiness of it all (“Most of the court dialogue is actual testimony”), mires Lumet in a passive, flat-footed visual style. What’s worse, he seems a bit bewitched, a bit bowled over, a bit swept off his flat feet, by the “colorfulness” of the Mafia in general (a single tirade by the tightly wound prosecutor, preaching to the choir of his associates, can’t stem the tide), and in particular the colorfulness of the convicted cocaine dealer, Jackie Di-Norscio, who opts to serve as his own attorney, and who stoutly maintains his loyalty to the family even as its other members distance themselves from his courtroom antics: “I’m not a gangster, I’m just a gagster.” Vin Diesel, “stretching” himself by putting on hair, pounds, and ill-fitting suits, at least cannot be accused of elevating the character through thespian classiness. Ron Silver, playing the long-suffering judge on the case, makes a first-rate straight man. With Peter Dinklage, Linus Roache, Alex Rocco, Annabella Sciorra. 2006.

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**Firewall** — Ridiculous heist-and-hostage thriller that requires the retirement-age Harrison Ford to shoulder altogether too much of the burden of heroics — *all* of it, to be exact — as much as Jean-Claude van Damme shouldered at half the age. And this in the role of a family-man Seattle banker! Not an ex-Navy-SEAL banker, not a former-FBI-agent banker, just a plain old banker, a computer geek. The clichés come in bunches. Because the story is set in Seattle, it must rain ninety percent of the time, the Space Needle must be visible out the banker’s office window, and he must live with his wife, his TV-addicted teen daughter, and his peanut-allergic tween son in a sumptuous waterfront home that would be the envy of Bill Gates. In a slight modification of a cliché, the architect who designed the place is not the man of the family but the woman (Virginia Madsen in her first post-*Sideways* job opportunity, let’s hope a lucrative one). The fiendish mastermind of the caper is a cultivated Brit (not Alan Rickman, not Jeremy Irons, not Sean Bean, but Paul Bettany), and the action is a techie’s delight (computers, cellphones, security systems, fountain-pen video camera, GPS dog collar). It is not an aesthete’s delight, shot as it is in such closeup that the viewer can’t get a decent look at it. Robert Forster, Robert Patrick, Mary Lynn Raskub; directed by Richard Loncraine. 2006.

● (FASHION VALLEY 18)

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**Inside Man** — Caper thriller with Denzel Washington, Clive Owen, and Jodie Foster, directed by Spike Lee. (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 3/24)

**Joyeux Noël** — A pretty dream, inspired by fact, of brotherhood on the WWI battlefield, with the French, the Scots, and the



Aquamarine

Germans all laying down their arms on Christmas Eve, 1914, and celebrating the holiday together. (Big treat for everyone: Diane Kruger, as a Danish diva, visits her lover in the trenches and lip-synchs to the voice of Nathalie Dessay.) The preludial groundwork — children of different lands parroting chauvinistic jingles in the classroom — is very strong, but the rest of the work is like an overelaboration of a single vignette from *A Midnight Clear*, and at this length it can hardly help but become pious and preachy. With Guillaume Canet, Benno Furrmann, Gary Lewis, and Daniel

Bruh; written and directed by Christian Carion. 2005. ★ (LA JOLLA VILLAGE)

**Last Holiday** — The old, old — fifty-six-year-old, to be exact — Alec Guinness vehicle retailored to the expansive personality and physique of Queen Latifah. As a mousy cookware clerk at a department store in New Orleans, given three weeks to live and determined to blow her bank account on a dream vacation at the Grandhotel Pupp (pronounced "Poop") in Karlovy Vary, the actress shows a bit more than her usual capital-A attitude — a reserve, a restraint, a wider range. That's hard to sustain, though, when she's doing things like snowboarding down a "black diamond" ski slope or BASE-jumping from the top of a hydro-

electric dam. You go, girl. She is flatteringly photographed in the bargain, although the lighting that gives her (and a nonthreatening LL Cool J) a golden glow, gives the white folks jaundice and anemia. One of those is the pre-eminent French actor of his generation, Gerard Depardieu, in a subordinate role as the hotel master chef who holds the secret of life: "Butter." Which is tantamount to seeing a French comedy starring Firmine Richard wherein Robert De Niro would pop up intermittently, speaking broken subtitled French as a philosophical hotdog vendor. Wayne Wang, the director, appears to feel no urgency to correct the course that has led him away from *The Joy Luck Club* and *Eat a Bowl of Tea* toward *Maid in Manhattan* and *Because of Winn-Dixie*. Not the most credi-

ble source, in other words, for a moral homily on living without fear. Timothy Hutton, Alicia Witt, Jane Adams, Giancarlo Esposito. 2006. ● (VOGUE)

**The Libertine** — Restoration period piece. Charles II of England (John Malkovich in a false nose) beseeches the Second Earl of Rochester (a rock-starry Johnny Depp) to quit wasting his energies on debauchery and to put them into becoming the king's Shakespeare: "Give me a major work of literature." What the sovereign is given instead is off-off-off-Broadway smut. Only when the rotter starts rotting literally (syphilitically) does he start thinking of redemption. Salaciousness aside, a dull costume party in a sickly green monochrome. With Samantha Morton, Tom Hollander, Rupert Friend, Paul Ritter, and Rosamund Pike; adapted from his own stage play by Stephen Jeffreys; directed by Laurence Dunmore. 2005. ● (FASHION VALLEY 18; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA JOLLA 12; MISSION VALLEY 20)

**Match Point** — Didactic illustration, by Woody Allen, of the role of luck in human affairs, taking as its central metaphor a ball clipping the top of the net in a game of tennis, freeze-framed indecisively in midair. The story traces the progress of a lowborn Irish tennis pro (Jonathan Rhys-Meyers), not quite good enough to have held his own on the circuit with Sampras and Agassi, interested now in life's finer things — literature, art, opera — and wanting to "do something special, you know, make a contribution," but led by happenstance into the British upper class, into the affections of a sweet-natured, uncomplicated heiress (Emily Mortimer), into the family business, into a pact, if you will, with Mephistopheles, and into a bit of a sticky wicket. His prospective brother-in-law's American fiancée (Scarlett Johansson), a struggling actress but an accomplished flirt, has a certain something that his own lady-love lacks: "Did anyone ever tell you you have extremely sensual lips?" And Jonathan Rhys-Meyers should know! These two pairs of lips appear destined to meet. The developments to this point and beyond unfold organically, efficiently, covering a lot of ground swiftly yet without hurry, in the craftsmanly manner of Golden Age Hollywood. They hold, even if they do not tightly grip, your interest. At a full two hours,

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**Munich** — Steven Spielberg's profoundly pessimistic account of the terrorist massacre of eleven Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympics and the bloody aftermath of tit-for-tat reprisals. The director, while he plainly wants to pay his respects to all parties, has not rid himself of his grandiosity and his self-indulgence. The overextended running time is simply, contradictory though it sounds to say so, a shortcut to Importance, a direct equation of size with significance. And the assorted lightening, whitening, fading effects in the cinematography of Janusz Kaminski (*Schindler's List*, *Amistad*, *Saving Private Ryan*, etc.) call at-

**The New World** — Two-and-a-quarter-hour history lesson, trimmed down from two and a half after its initial release, on John Smith and Pocahontas, and the latter's marriage to another, John Rolfe, and her intended sojourn in England which became instead her eternal rest. Terrence Malick's account is not a love story, or not just ("Love — shall we deny it when it visits us?"), but rather a vision of utopian idealism ("I shall make a new start, a fresh beginning") and the ineluctable progress of America from its native innocence ("They are gentle, loving, faithful, lacking in all guile or trickery") to its imported corruption ("Lord, they're gone away from You, they have not hearkened to Your voice"). No one could deny that Malick has a vision, or at the very least a favorite shot: a solitary person adrift in a sea of tall grass or grain, engulfed by nature, enraptured in a state of childlike wonder, wandering around confusedly as if trying to remember where he might have mislaid his script. Large chunks of the words in a very sparse screenplay have been dubbed onto the soundtrack later, in murmurous, barely audible voice-overs from more than one narrator. (Most, if not all, of the parenthetical quotations

*FUTURAMA* (USA) 1999–2000,  
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above come from these first-person ruminations.) The employment of multiple narrators is of course a modernist storytelling device which Malick seized upon in *The Thin Red Line* — an advance on the solo, subliterate female narrators of his *Badlands* and *Days of Heaven* — and it sounds all the more anachronistic, all the more pretentious, in a setting of the early 17th Century than in one of the Second World War. Despite the bigness of the budget (the excellent set of the frontier fort must have cost a mint by itself), this is a bona fide art film, one whose jump cuts — very tiny jumps — cannot juice up its stagnant pace, one whose integrity is declared most clearly in its ineptitude. It's too earnest, it seems to say, to be bothered with entertainment. Colin Farrell, O'rianka Kilcher. Christian

*PUNCH-DRUNK LOVE* (USA)  
2002, Columbia/Tristar  
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(USA) 2003,  
Twentieth Century Fox  
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come. Amid the thickening glut of remakes and sequels, however, there is no cause to come down particularly hard on this one. The undemanding will not be disappointed. 2006.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROM-ENADE 24; VOGUE)

**Pride and Prejudice** — By this time the Jane Austen novel qualifies as a repertory piece, a mettletest for would-be Darcys and Elizabeth Bennets, little different from *Romeo and Juliet*. The team behind the present production of it, apart from their attempt to replace the titular conjunction with a dashing ampersand, earn no points for imagination or courage in finding their way to so trafficky a corner of the library. (Can no one, for a change, find his way to the shelf of Thomas Love Peacock? George Meredith?) And the prospect of again sitting through the machinations of the author's mating game (match four from Column A to four from Column B) sounds quite tedious in advance. Nevertheless, the filmmakers have not failed to make it involving. Austen herself made it hard for them to fail, as long as they stuck close to the text. Joe Wright, a British TV director in his feature debut, certainly did more than his share to gum up the works, with an anemic, coarse-grained image and a lot of mushy telephoto camerawork: a pale sub-

stitute for the MGM sheen of 1940. And Matthew MacFadyen makes a dull Darcy, a blank, more stuporous than brooding, a kind of waxwork Stan Laurel. Any doubts, however, as to the star potential of Keira Knightley — and after the likes of *Domino* and *The Jacket* and *King Arthur*, how could there not have been doubts? — are decisively routed. She may be too pretty for Elizabeth, she may be too young, but she is just sufficiently feisty, just sufficiently fiery, without being too and too. It's a tightrope she walks, and she keeps perfect balance. Two old pros, Brenda Blethyn and Judi Dench, bring solid support as two very dissimilar women, the high-strung Mrs. Bennet and the haughty Lady de Bourgh. Any well-bred young woman who can endure the one on a daily basis and stand up to the other in a moment of crisis must be made of stern stuff. Donald Sutherland, Rosamund Pike, Jena Malone, Tom Hollander. 2005.

★★ (GASLAMP 15)

**The Shaggy Dog** — Tim Allen seems to have his opportunities — wolfman transformations into an itch-scratching, stick-fetching, cat-chasing canine — but the circumstances are strained to a point of discomfort: an abducted Tibetan holy dog, animal experimentation, mixed-species mutations. With Kristin Davis, Robert Downey, Jr., and Danny Glover; directed by Brian Robbins. 2006.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; LA COSTA 6; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION

MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 7; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROM-ENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**16 Blocks** — The title specifies the distance over which an NYPD detective must transport a garrulous witness from jail to courthouse in Lower Manhattan, weaving through a whole platoon of murderously corrupt cops; and the hour-and-a-half duration approximates the time limit allotted to get him there. Overextended even at that tidy length, essentially lazy, mediocre, and incredible, the film is nevertheless not devoid of humanity. Bruce Willis is in his Serious Actor mode (a mustache, a receding toupee, a bicycle tire around the middle) in the part of the burnt-out detective with a bum leg and a thirst for booze, bone-tired after pulling an all-nighter. And hip-hopper Mos Def, talking nonstop in a nasally drone as the petty-criminal witness, takes a bold backward step toward Stepin Fetchit. Veteran director Richard Donner, little more

than a traffic cop himself, swallows his whistle and takes the time to notice, and to make something of it, whenever the bedraggled detective decides to get serious about his job. The first sign of that, when he makes a choice between his bottle of whisky and his gun, is your sign to get serious about the movie. David Morse, Jenna Stern. 2006.

★ (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; FLOWER HILL 4; 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

**Stay Alive** — Video-game terror with Jon Foster, Samaire Armstrong, Frankie Muniz, and Adam Goldberg, directed by William Brent Bell.

(CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CINERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY; GASLAMP 15; GROSSMONT CENTER; LA JOLLA 12; MIRA MESA 18; MISSION MARKETPLACE 13; MISSION VALLEY 20; OCEANSIDE 16; PALM PROM-ENADE 24; PARKWAY PLAZA 18; POWAY 10; RANCHO DEL REY 16; RANCHO SAN DIEGO 15; SAN MARCOS 18; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE; FROM 3/24)

**Summer Storm** — German film on being young and gay, with Robert Stadlober and Kostja Ullmann, directed by Marco Kreuzpainter.

(KEN, FROM 3/24)

**The Three Burials of Melquiades Estrada** — Tommy Lee Jones directs himself in a slight variation on the last act of *Lonesome Dove*, once more hauling the carcass of a close friend on horseback to his chosen resting place. This time he has the unwilling help of the friend's killer, a carpetbagging Border Patrolman from Cincinnati, who is made as unsympathetic as possible, brutalizing Mexican illegals, reading *Hustler* on the job, forcing himself on his wife from behind when she's trying to fix dinner and watch her favorite soap. The story is told nonsequentially and a touch incoherently, but Jones has a knowing eye for Tex-Mex squalor and ugliness, and he sniffs out some pungent gruesome details: e.g., setting the corpse's head on fire to beat back an attack of ants. With Barry Pepper, Julio Cedillo, Dwight Yoakam, January Jones, Melissa Leo. 2005.

★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS)

**Transamerica** — Conventional road movie and male-bonding movie despite the unconventional natures of the fellow travelers, a druggy street hustler en route to Hollywood for a career in gay porn, and a pre-op transsexual, a week away from his "reassignment" surgery, who his young companion does not at first realize is a man, much less realize is he — the companion's — long-lost father. It boasts a flat tire of a script, or anyhow a low-on-air tire (from first-time writer and director Duncan Tucker), but also a fascinating, disorienting performance by Felicity Huffman in a gender-blurring no-man's-land, moving as if she were balancing a jug of water on her head, talking in a tranquilized mono-

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3:45) 7:15, 10:20; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (1:10, 2:00, 3:50, 4:35) 6:45, 7:35, 9:15, 9:55; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri., Sun. (3:55) 9:25; **Firewall** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (1:20) 6:55; **Inside Man** (R) Fri., Sun. (1:00, 1:30, 4:00, 4:30) 7:00, 7:30, 10:00, 10:30; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri., Sat. (1:25, 4:25) 7:15, 9:50 Sun. (1:25, 1:35, 4:25) 7:20, 9:50; **Mrs. Henderson Presents** (R) Fri., Sun. (1:15, 4:20) 7:05, 9:45; **The Libertine** (R) Fri., Sat. (1:35); **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri., Sun. (1:40, 4:05) 6:50, 9:20; **The World's Fastest Indian** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (12:40, 3:40) 6:40, 9:35; **Transamerica** (R) Fri., Sun. (1:45, 4:45) 7:25, 10:05; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri. (12:35, 1:05, 3:35, 4:10, 4:40) 6:35, 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:15, 10:35 Sat., Sun. (12:35, 1:05, 3:35) 4:10, 4:40, 6:35, 7:10, 7:40, 9:40, 10:15, 10:35

## LA JOLLA

**La Jolla 12**  
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**16 Blocks** (PG-13); **Eight Below** (PG); **Failure to Launch** (PG-13); **Inside Man** (R); **Match Point** (R); **She's the Man** (PG-13); **Stay Alive** (PG-13); **The Hills Have Eyes** (R); **The Libertine** (R); **The Shaggy Dog** (PG); **Transamerica** (R); **V for Vendetta** (R)

**La Jolla Village**  
8879 Villa La Jolla Drive (619-819-0236)  
**Ask the Dust** (R) Fri. (1:40, 4:20) 7:00, 9:40 Sat., Sun. (11:00) 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40; **C.S.A.: The Confederate States of America** (Not Rated) Fri. (2:10, 4:50) 7:30, 10:00 Sat., Sun. (11:30) 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:00; **Capote** (R) Fri. (4:40) 9:55 Sat., Sun. (11:20) 4:40, 9:55; **Joyeux Noel** (R) Fri., Sun. (2:00) 7:20; **Mrs. Henderson Presents** (R) Fri. (1:50, 4:30) 7:10, 9:45 Sat., Sun. (11:10) 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45

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**Fashion Valley 18**  
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**April's Shower** (R) Fri. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45 Sat., Sun. 10:30 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **Brokeback Mountain** (R) Fri., Sun. 10:45 (1:45, 4:45) 7:45, 10:45; **Capote** (R) Fri., Sun. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Inside Man** (R) Fri., Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri., Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Tonka Tough Truck Adventures: The Biggest Show on Wheels** (Not Rated) Sat., Sun. 10:00; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri., Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15

**Mission Valley 20**  
1640 Camino Del Rio North (858-558-2262)  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13); **Aquamarine** (PG); **Curious George** (G); **Dave Chappelle's Block Party** (R); **Eight Below** (PG); **Failure to Launch** (PG-13); **Final Destination 3** (R); **Find Me Guilty** (R); **Inside Man** (R); **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13); **Madea's Family Reunion** (PG-13); **Memoirs of a Geisha** (PG-13); **She's the Man** (PG-13); **Stay Alive** (PG-13); **The Hills Have Eyes** (R); **The Libertine** (R); **The Pink Panther** (PG); **The Shaggy Dog** (PG); **Ultraviolet** (PG-13); **V for Vendetta** (R)

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**Ken**  
4061 Adams Avenue (619-819-0236)  
**Summer Storm** (R) Fri. (4:55) 7:20, 9:45 Sat., Sun. (2:30) 4:55, 7:20, 9:45

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10:05 Sat., Sun. (11:25) 2:10, 4:55, 7:40, 10:05; **Neil Young: Heart of Gold** (PG) Fri. (1:50, 4:35) 7:20, 9:55 Sat., Sun. (11:05) 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 9:55; **The Three Burials of Melquiades Estrada** (R) Fri. (1:30, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45 Sat., Sun. (10:45) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:45; **Tsotsi** (R) Fri. (2:00, 4:45) 7:30, 10:00 Sat., Sun. (11:15) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:00

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**Grossmont Center**  
Grossmont Center (619-465-7100)  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (12:40, 3:00) 5:25, 7:45, 10:05; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (11:45, 2:30) 5:00, 7:25, 9:45; **Inside Man** (R) Fri., Sun. (11:00, 1:50) 4:40, 7:30, 10:30; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (11:05, 1:10, 3:20) 5:30, 7:50, 10:00; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (11:55, 2:20) 4:55, 7:35, 10:10; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri., Sun. (1:00, 3:05) 5:15, 7:20, 9:35; **The Hills Have Eyes** (R) Fri., Sun. (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:40; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri., Sun. (11:50, 2:25) 4:50, 7:15, 9:40; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri., Sat. (11:20, 1:20, 2:35) 4:15, 5:20, 7:00, 8:10, 9:50, 10:55 Sun. (11:20, 1:20, 2:35) 4:15, 5:20, 7:00, 8:10, 9:50

**Grossmont Trolley**  
8555 Fletcher Parkway (619-466-1401)

### RANCHO SAN DIEGO

**Rancho San Diego 15**  
2951 Jamacha Road  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri. (11:40, 2:15, 5:05) 7:35, 10:20 Sat., Sun. (11:40, 2:15) 5:05, 7:35, 10:20; **Aquamarine** (PG) Fri., Sun. 7:40, 10:30; **Eight Below** (PG) Fri. (12:10, 4:05) 7:05, 9:50 Sat., Sun. (12:10) 4:05, 7:05, 9:50; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri. (11:35, 12:15, 2:00, 2:45, 4:30, 5:15) 7:10, 7:50, 9:40, 10:15 Sat., Sun. (11:35, 12:15, 2:00, 2:45) 4:30, 5:15, 7:10, 7:50, 9:40, 10:15; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri., Sun. (1:55) 9:55; **Inside Man** (R) Fri. (12:30, 1:00, 4:00, 4:45) 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45 Sat., Sun. (12:30, 1:00, 4:00) 4:45, 7:00, 7:45, 10:00, 10:45; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri. (12:10, 2:30, 4:55) 7:15, 9:45 Sat., Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 4:55, 7:15, 9:45; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri. (11:30, 2:05, 4:50) 7:20, 10:10 Sat., Sun. (11:30, 2:05) 4:50, 7:20, 10:10; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri. (12:50, 3:05, 5:20) 8:00, 10:25 Sat., Sun. (12:50, 3:05) 5:20, 8:00, 10:25; **The Hills Have Eyes** (R) Fri. (11:55, 2:40, 5:25) 8:05, 10:40 Sat., Sun. (11:55, 2:40) 5:25, 8:05, 10:40; **The Pink Panther** (PG) Fri. (11:35, 5:00) 7:25 Sat., Sun. (11:35) 5:00, 7:25; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri. (11:45, 12:05, 2:10, 2:35, 4:35, 5:10) 7:35, 10:05 Sat., Sun. (11:45, 12:05, 2:10, 2:35) 4:35, 5:10, 7:35, 10:05; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri. (12:00, 12:55, 3:15, 4:15) 6:45, 7:30, 9:55, 10:35 Sat., Sun. (12:00, 12:55, 3:15) 4:15, 6:45, 7:30, 9:55, 10:35

### SANTEE

**Santee Drive In**  
10990 Woodside Avenue (619-448-7447)  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13); **Inside Man** (R); **Ultraviolet** (PG-13); **V for Vendetta** (R)

tone, stiffening her face into a fragile mask, generally acting like she has a gun at her back, all very understandable for someone who lives in breathless dread of being found out. Kevin Zegers, Fionnula Flanagan, Burt Young, Elizabeth Peña. 2005.  
★ (LA JOLLA 12, FROM 3/24)

**Tsotsi** — Reviewed this issue. With Presley Chweneyagae, Terry Pheto, Kenneth Nkosi, and Mothusi Magano; written and directed by Gavin Hood.  
★ (HILLCREST CINEMAS, FROM 3/24)

**Ultraviolet** — Ultraviolent vision of the future, where a more virulent strain of HIV (labelled HGV) has touched off the Blood Wars between humans and hemophages (a/k/a vampires). A live-action cartoon, or anyway partly live-action, built around Milla Jovovich as a martial-arts super-heroine with a computer-airbrushed face. It gives a chill. Not a pleasant chill. With Nick Chinlund and Cameron Bright; written and directed by Kurt Wimmer. 2006.  
● (CHULA VISTA 10; FASHION VALLEY 18; GASLAMP 15; MISSION VALLEY 20; PALM PROM-ENADE 24; SANTEE DRIVE IN)

**Underworld Evolution** — Kate Beckinsale, back again in the blue-hued sequel as the black-leather vampiress and werewolf-slayer, demonstrates fidelity if not taste: the director, Len Wiseman, is her hubby. Fidelity in this case could indicate no taste as well. With Scott Speedman, Derek Jacobi, Steven Mackintosh, and Bill Nighy. 2006.  
● (GASLAMP 15)

**Unknown White Male** — The title figure



*Don't Come Knocking*

of this documentary by Rupert Murray does not remain unknown for long. His name is Douglas Bruce, a Brit living “a great life” in Lower Manhattan, unaccountably diagnosed with retrograde amnesia, “the rarest kind of amnesia,” a total wipeout of the past. (*Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* without the science fiction.) Murray, a long-time friend of Bruce, even if Bruce can’t re-

member him, has a load of material to work with: a very emotional hospital video taken in the days just after the trauma; a video diary shot by Bruce himself as he reacquainted himself with his normal surroundings; a wealth of home videos that fill in bits of his past; plus Murray’s up-to-the-minute footage after he inserted himself into the picture. The attempts to convey visually

something of Bruce’s disorientation, through the crude photographic tricks of fish-eye lenses and flash pans and pixillation and suchlike, rather than through a sensitive and subjective camera eye, leave a lot to be desired. The most they can do is to acknowledge the need for something empathic, even something poetic. They do not go far toward filling that need. But neither

## SOUTH BAY

### CHULA VISTA

**Chula Vista 10**  
*Broadway between H and I (619-338-4214)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 11:30 (1:45, 4:00) 6:15, 8:30; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:45 (1:15, 4:15) 7:00, 9:30; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 2:30, 9:45; **Inside Man** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (12:30, 2:45) 5:00, 7:15, 9:30; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:30; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 11:15 (1:30, 3:45) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30; **The Hills Have Eyes** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (12:45, 3:15) 5:45, 8:15, 10:45; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:30) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; **Tonka Tough Truck Adventures: The Biggest Show on Wheels** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **Ultraviolet** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (12:15) 5:15, 7:30; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:00 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00, 10:45

**Palm Promenade 24**  
*770 Dennery Road (858-558-2262)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13); **Aquamarine** (PG); **Big Momma's House 2** (PG-13); **Curious George** (G); **Date Movie** (PG-13); **Doogal** (G); **Eight Below** (PG); **Failure to Launch** (PG-13); **Final Destination 3** (R); **Find Me Guilty** (R); **Inside Man** (R); **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13); **Madea's Family Reunion** (PG-13); **She's the Man** (PG-13); **Stay Alive** (PG-13); **The Hills Have Eyes** (R); **The Pink Panther** (PG); **The Shaggy Dog** (PG); **Ultraviolet** (PG-13); **V for Vendetta** (R)

**Rancho Del Rey 16**  
*East H Street (619-216-4707)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri. (12:05, 2:35, 5:20) 8:05, 10:40 Sat.,-Sun. (12:05, 2:35) 5:20, 8:05, 10:40; **Aquamarine** (PG) Fri. (1:55, 4:45) 7:30, 10:15 Sat.,-Sun. (1:55) 4:45, 7:30, 10:15; **Date Movie** (PG-13) Fri. (11:55, 2:10, 4:20) 6:55, 9:30 Sat.,-Sun. (11:55, 2:10) 4:20, 6:55, 9:30; **Eight Below** (PG) Fri. (1:10, 4:10) 7:00, 10:05 Sat.,-Sun. (1:00) 4:10, 7:00, 10:05; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri. (11:50, 12:20, 2:15, 2:45, 4:45, 5:15) 7:10, 8:00, 10:05, 10:35 Sat. (11:50, 12:20, 2:15, 2:45) 4:45, 5:15, 7:10, 8:00, 10:05, 10:35 Sun. (11:50, 12:20, 2:15) 2:45, 4:45, 5:15, 7:10, 8:00, 10:05, 10:35; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 10:10; **Inside Man** (R) Fri. (12:55, 1:10, 4:05, 4:30) 7:20, 7:45, 10:15, 10:45 Sat.,-Sun. (12:55, 1:10) 4:05, 4:30, 7:20, 7:45, 10:15, 10:45; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri. (1:55, 4:25) 7:05, 9:45 Sat.,-Sun. (1:55) 4:25, 7:05, 9:45; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri. (2:20, 5:00) 7:35, 10:30 Sat.,-Sun. (2:20) 5:00, 7:35, 10:30; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri. (12:10, 2:30, 5:05) 7:40, 10:20 Sat.,-Sun. (12:10, 2:30) 5:05, 7:40, 10:20; **The Hills Have Eyes** (R) Fri. (12:00, 2:35, 5:10) 7:55, 10:35 Sat.,-Sun. (12:00, 2:35) 5:10, 7:55,

10:35; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri. (1:30, 2:05, 4:05, 4:35) 6:50, 7:25, 9:40 Sat.,-Sun. (1:30, 2:05) 4:05, 4:35, 6:50, 7:25, 9:40; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri. (1:05, 1:35, 4:10, 4:40) 7:15, 7:50, 10:25, 10:50 Sat.,-Sun. (1:05, 1:35) 4:10, 4:40, 7:15, 7:50, 10:25, 10:50

**Vogue**  
*226 3rd Avenue (619-425-1436)*  
**Curious George** (G) Fri.,-Sun. 12:30, 6:00; **Last Holiday** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 4:00, 9:30; **The Pink Panther** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 2:00, 7:45

### IMPERIAL BEACH

**South Bay Drive In**  
*2170 Coronado Avenue (619-423-2727)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 9:50; **Date Movie** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 9:25; **Dave Chapelle's Block Party** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 9:55; **Inside Man** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 7:30, 11:40; **The Hills Have Eyes** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 7:30, 10:55; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 7:30, 11:40

## NORTH INLAND

### CARMEL MOUNTAIN

**Carmel Mountain**  
*11620 Carmel Mountain Road (858-674-9770)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:40) 5:50; **Aquamarine** (PG) Fri. (2:25) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50 Sat. (12:00, 2:25) 4:50, 7:20, 9:50 Sun. (12:00, 2:25) 4:50, 7:20; **Eight Below** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. (12:30, 3:25) 7:50, 10:30 Sun. (12:30, 3:25) 7:50; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:30, 1:20, 3:30) 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15, 9:45, 10:40 Sun. (12:30, 1:20, 3:30) 4:45, 5:45, 7:15, 8:15; **Inside Man** (R) Fri.,-Sat. (1:00) 4:15, 7:45, 10:35 Sun. (1:00) 4:15, 7:45; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri. (2:25) 4:35, 7:00, 9:30 Sat. (12:05, 2:25) 4:35, 7:00, 9:30 Sun. (12:05, 2:25) 4:35, 7:00; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:50, 3:15) 5:40, 8:10, 10:35 Sun. (12:50, 3:15) 5:40, 8:10; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. (12:45, 2:50) 4:55, 8:05, 10:30 Sun. (12:45, 2:50) 4:55, 8:05; **The Pink Panther** (PG) Fri. (2:40) 4:55, 7:10, 9:35 Sat. (12:25, 2:40) 4:55, 7:10, 9:35 Sun. (12:25, 2:40) 4:55, 7:10; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri. (2:45) 5:05, 7:25, 9:55 Sat. (12:15, 2:45) 5:05, 7:25, 9:55 Sun. (12:15, 2:45) 5:05, 7:25; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 1:15, 3:00, 4:40, 7:30, 8:15, 10:25 Sun. 1:15, 3:00, 4:40, 7:30, 8:15

### ESCONDIDO

**Escondido 16**  
*350 W. Valley Parkway (760-291-0119)*  
Call theater for program information

### FALLBROOK

**Galaxy 6**  
*5256 S. Mission Road (760-945-8784)*  
**Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri. (2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30 Sat. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00, 9:30 Sun. 11:30 (2:00, 4:30) 7:00; **Inside Man** (R) Fri. (4:30) 7:30, 10:30 Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30,

10:30 Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri. (3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15 Sat. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00, 10:15 Sun. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 5:45, 8:00; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri. (3:00) 5:30, 8:15, 10:45 Sat. 10:00 (12:00, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. 10:00 (12:00, 3:00) 5:30, 8:15; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri. (2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00 Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:00 Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45; **Tonka Tough Truck Adventures: The Biggest Show on Wheels** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri. (4:15) 7:15, 10:15 Sat. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15 Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15

### POWAY

**Poway 10**  
*13475 Poway Road (858-646-9423)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. 11:15 (1:45) 7:00; **Aquamarine** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. 10:15 (12:45) 5:45; **Capote** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 3:15, 8:15, 10:45 Sun. 3:15, 8:15; **Eight Below** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00 Sun. 10:15 (1:00, 4:00) 7:00; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) 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; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 4:00, 9:30 Sun. 4:00; **Inside Man** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30 Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 11:00 (1:30, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45 Sun. 11:00 (1:30, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15, 9:45 Sun. 11:30 (2:15, 4:45) 7:15; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sat. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30 Sun. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15 Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45; **Tonka Tough Truck Adventures: The Biggest Show on Wheels** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15, 10:15 Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:15) 7:15

### RAMONA

**Ramona Twin**  
*626 Main Street (760-789-3422)*  
Call theater for program information

### SAN MARCOS

**San Marcos 18**  
*1180 West San Marcos Boulevard at Old California Walk (760-471-3711)*  
**16 Blocks** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:35, 2:30) 5:40, 8:05, 10:45; **Aquamarine** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:25, 2:00, 5:05); **Curious George** (G) Fri.,-Sun. (11:40, 1:50, 4:15) 6:55; **Eight Below** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (12:25, 3:30) 7:10, 10:05; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:10, 12:15, 1:55, 2:45, 4:20, 5:15) 7:00, 8:00, 9:35, 10:35; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri.,-Sun. 7:50, 10:50; **Inside Man** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:45, 1:20, 3:55, 4:45) 7:00, 7:55, 10:15; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (12:10, 2:40, 5:10) 7:40, 10:10; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:00, 11:30, 1:45, 2:15,

4:30, 5:00) 7:15, 7:45, 10:00, 10:30; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:45, 2:10, 4:35) 7:30, 9:55; **The Hills Have Eyes** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (10:55, 1:30, 4:25) 7:15, 9:55; **The Pink Panther** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (10:50, 2:20, 4:35) 7:05, 9:30; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri.,-Sun. (11:20, 2:05, 4:40) 7:20, 10:00; **The World's Fastest Indian** (PG-13) Fri.,-Sun. (11:05, 2:25) 5:45, 8:55; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri.,-Sun. (12:35, 1:10, 3:50, 4:20) 7:05, 7:30, 9:20, 10:20, 10:40

### VISTA

**Vista Village Metroplex 15**  
*Highway 78 at Vista Village Drive (760-945-7469)*  
Call theater for program information

## NORTH COASTAL

### CARLSBAD

**Plaza Camino Real**  
*2385 Marron Road (760-729-7469)*  
Call theater for program information

### DEL MAR

**Del Mar Highlands 8**  
*El Camino Real at Del Mar Heights Road (858-646-9420)*  
**Aquamarine** (PG) Fri. (4:45) 7:15 Sat.,-Sun. 11:30 (4:45) 7:15; **Eight Below** (PG) Fri. (1:15, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00 Sat. 10:15 (1:15, 4:00) 7:00, 10:00 Sun. 10:15 (1:15, 4:00) 7:00; **Failure to Launch** (PG-13) Fri. (12:30, 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; **Find Me Guilty** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 2:00, 9:45 Sun. 2:00; **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13) Fri. (1:15, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45 Sat. 11:00 (1:15, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30, 10:45 Sun. 11:00 (1:15, 3:45) 6:15, 8:30; **She's the Man** (PG-13) Fri. (12:45, 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; **Stay Alive** (PG-13) Fri. (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30 Sat. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15, 10:30 Sun. 10:45 (1:00, 3:30) 6:00, 8:15; **The Shaggy Dog** (PG) Fri. (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15 Sat. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45, 10:15 Sun. 10:00 (12:15, 2:45) 5:15, 7:45; **Tonka Tough Truck Adventures: The Biggest Show on Wheels** (Not Rated) Sat.,-Sun. 10:00; **V for Vendetta** (R) Fri. (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30 Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30 Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30

**Flower Hill 4**  
*2630 Via de la Valle (858-646-9425)*  
**16 Blocks** (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; **Ask the Dust** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 11:00 (1:45, 4:15) 7:00, 9:45 Sun. 11:00 (1:45, 4:15) 7:00; **Capote** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00, 10:15 Sun. 10:00 (12:30, 3:00) 5:30, 8:00; **Inside Man** (R) Fri.,-Sat. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30, 10:30 Sun. 10:30 (1:30, 4:30) 7:30

do they get in the way of the verbalized deep questions: How much of who we are is made up of our memories and how much of it is “pure us”? What would be left of us once our memories were taken away? How different would we be if the slate could be wiped clean and we had a chance to start over in midlife? *Who*, to put it existentially, *are we*? In the case of Douglas Bruce, these are not idle questions, and they’re not hypothetical. The rest of us, at the same time, are not safely outside the scope of inquiry. If, as Bruce himself muses, we all lose and revise and invent memories every day, then what constitutes our true selves? The film, along those and parallel lines, gives us a lot to think about, and a little something to wish for. In light of a prognosticated ninety-five-percent chance of recovery, and no timetable on when that might occur, the next chapter of Bruce’s life fairly cries out for a sequel. 2006.  
★★★ (KEN, THROUGH 3/23)

**V for Vendetta** — Reviewed this issue. With Natalie Portman, Hugo Weaving, Stephen Rea, Stephen Fry, and John Hurt; directed by James McTeigue.

● (CARMEL MOUNTAIN; CHULA VISTA 10; CIN-ERAMA 6; DEL MAR HIGHLANDS 8; ENCINITAS 8; ESCONDIDO 16; FASHION VALLEY 18; GALAXY 6; GROSSMONT CENTER; HORTON PLAZA 14; 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; SANTEE DRIVE IN; SOUTH BAY DRIVE IN; TOWN SQUARE 14; VISTA VILLAGE)

### ENCINITAS

**Encinitas 8**  
*220 North El Camino Real (760-942-5544)*  
**Eight Below** (PG); **Failure to Launch** (PG-13); **Inside Man** (R); **Larry the Cable Guy: Health Inspector** (PG-13); **She's the Man** (PG-13); **Stay Alive** (PG-13); **The Shaggy Dog** (PG); **V for Vendetta** (R)

**La Paloma**  
*471 South Coast Highway 101 (760-436-SHOW)*  
**Capote** (R) Fri. 6:30, 9:00 Sat. 4:00, 6:30, 9:00 Sun. 6:30, 9:00; **The Rocky Horror Picture Show** (R) Fri. 12:00

### LA COSTA

**La Costa 6**  
*6941 El Camino Real (at Aviara/Alga) (760-599-8221)*  
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Nelly Cervantes E.

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Por abusar de una menor, procrear una criatura con ella y raptarla con engaños, Francisco Villegas de 38 años de edad es buscado por las autoridades.

Villegas desapareció junto con Yvonne Cuenca, una joven de 14 años que supuestamente es su novia y quien espera su hijo.

Tanto la familia Cuenca,

como Villegas, quien vendía dulces, piñatas y trabajaba de payaso, el payaso "Pacorro", tenían puestos en un swapmeet del Condado.

Un día después de darse a conocer la noticia, Yvonne apareció en casa de familiares que viven en la ciudad de Tijuana.

El paradero de Villegas sigue siendo un misterio por lo que la policía está tras las pistas que puedan conducir a su captura.

El padre de la joven, Melquiades Cuenca, informó que su hija se encuentra bien de salud y manifestó su alegría de reencontrarse con Yvonne.

El señor Melquiades es propietario de un restaurante en el Norte del Condado.

Las autoridades de San Diego piden al público que si llegan a ver o han visto a Francisco Villegas se comuniquen con el detective Reyes del departamento del alguacil al (858) 974-2310.



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## Detienen a entrenador

Esta vez Michael John Smerdon de 41 años, maestro de la preparatoria Hilltop y la secundaria Castle Park en Chula Vista, fue detenido tras encontrarle varios ejemplares de pornografía infantil.

Smerdon, quien era maestro de educación física en las escuelas mencionadas, también era un entrenador de fútbol americano reconocido por los

Cargadores de San Diego. Smerdon fue hasta el año pasado el entrenador principal del equipo estudiantil de fútbol americano de la preparatoria Clairemont.

El inviduo fue presentado en la corte federal y oficiales del distrito escolar de Sweetwater comentaron a los medios que el profesor de educación física está suspendido de sus labores hasta nuevo aviso.

Tras meses de indagación Smerdon fue detenido en la casa donde vivía con amigos en la ciudad de El Cajon.

Al momento del cateo y arresto, oficiales policíacos confiscaron varias computadoras donde se encontraron más de doscientas imágenes.

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## Persiguen a los Aburto

Omar Millán González

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Esta semana Diario San Diego publicó un serie de reportajes en las que se dieron detalles sobre lo que pasó con la familia de Mario Aburto, autor material del asesinato de Luis Donaldo Colosio, candidato del PRI a la presidencia en 1994.

La familia del homicida logró obtener asilo político en Estados Unidos tras denunciar las torturas y violación de derechos humanos a las que fueron expuestos por parte de las autoridades que investigaron el caso.

Los extractos de los reportajes fueron tomados directamente del expediente de la Procuraduría General de la República y que fue obtenido por Diario San Diego.

Entre las declaraciones que

sobresalen en estos papeles son las de la madre de Mario Aburto

"Todos los días afuera de nuestra casa nos vigilaban personas vestidas de civil; algunas veces entraban a la fuerza. Mis hijos y yo estábamos muy asustados; pensábamos que en cualquier momento otra vez nos torturarían e incluso llegarían más lejos", declaró María Luisa Martínez Piñones, madre de Mario Aburto.

Acompañada de sus hijos José Luis, Karina y Elizabeth Aburto Martínez, su nuera Adela Alvarado Hernández y su nieto Luis Jovani Aburto Alvarado, la tarde del 5 de enero de 1995 cruzaron por Tijuana de manera ilegal hacia Estados Unidos en donde posteriormente obtuvieron el asilo político.



## Entierran a Estados Unidos

Abraham Nudelstejer

Diario San Diego

México estaba virtualmente eliminado para pasar a las semifinales del Clásico Mundial de Béisbol, Estados Unidos tenía el camino abierto para colarse a las últimas instancias.

Lo que nunca se imaginó el equipo estadounidense es que la garra azteca afloraría para dejarlos tendidos en el terreno de juego con una derrota de 2-1 que terminó con las esperanzas de las superestrellas de las Grandes Ligas.

La victoria no le sirvió a México para seguir adelante pero causó estupor entre los fanáticos y los medios de comunicación locales.

Los peloteros multimillo-

narios de Estados Unidos quedaron fuera de la contienda a la que se esperaba llegarán hasta la fase final que se jugó en el Parque Petco de San Diego.

Ni la presencia de Roger Clemens en el Montículo sirvió para impulsar a la selección de Estados Unidos.

El "Cohete" Clemens, pudo haber visto su última salida profesional ya que en la actualidad no tiene contrato con ningún equipo de Grandes Ligas.

De confirmarse su retiro de los diamantes, México habrá sido el último equipo que enfrentó a esta leyenda del pitcheo.

El Clásico Mundial fue ganado por Japon al vencer 10-6 a Cuba en la final.



## Pumas tristes

Los Tecos, del técnico uruguayo Eduardo Acevedo, rompieron esta semana una racha de seis derrotas en el fútbol mexicano al superar 1-0 a los Pumas UNAM, que viajarán a Brasil para enfrentarse al Internacional en la Copa Libertadores.

Samuel Ochoa, en su segundo partido en primera división, anotó de cabeza, al minuto siete, y el equipo de Acevedo defendió la ventaja ante unos Pumas que intentaron pero los postes de su propio estadio, el Olímpico de la capital mexicana, no los dejaron marcar.

Disparos del argentino Bruno Marioni y remates del brasileño Julio César Pinheiro se estrellaron en los

postes para mala fortuna de los Pumas, que además acabaron con un hombre menos por la expulsión de Marco Antonio Palacios al minuto 75 de tiempo corrido.

La victoria representó para los Tecos el final de la cadena de seis derrotas en el actual Torneo Clausura 2006 mexicano, y ahora con 15 puntos ha vuelto a la zona de calificación a la liguilla por el título, a falta de seis jornadas de competición.

Los Pumas de la UNAM, dirigidos por el mexicano Miguel España, viajaron a Brasil para jugar contra el Internacional en donde jugaron un partido correspondiente a la Copa Libertadores de América

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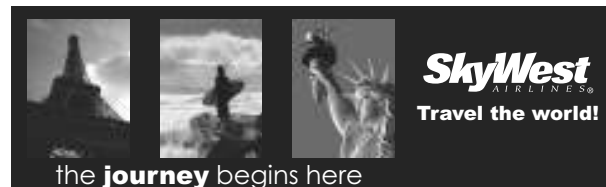
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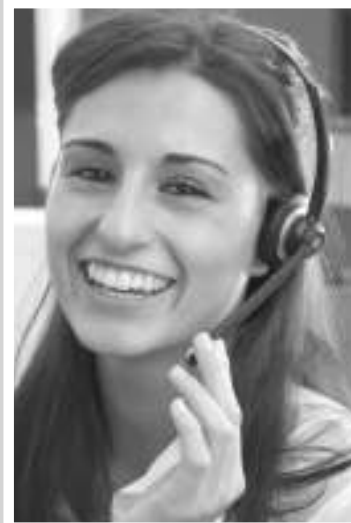
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Preschooler

Oceanside

Grandpa. He's good at putting together things, but he hasn't builded my tree house. We play hide-and-go-seek every day, but I'm better. He takes me fishing, but he doesn't catch no fish. The sea lions came and they tried to eat the fish. I like basketball, I have a Shaq jersey. I like *Jimmy Neutron*; he has a lab and everything.




Kristin Bly

Client Administrator

Pacific Beach

My biggest role model was my mother. She's a CPA and, yes, she's pretty good with numbers. When I was younger, she went back to school for accounting because originally when she went to college, she went to be a teacher. She was a teacher, then a stay-at-home mom, but when my parents divorced, she went back to school and took her CPA exam. I actually had posters on my wall of Michael Jordan; he was just a really good basketball player. I think some athletes are good role models. I have a musical role model named Michael Franti; he plays with the band Spearhead, and he's a peace activist.




Carey Lewis

Client Service Specialist

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My role model growing up was my grandmother and my father. My grandma was a hard worker. She raised four kids, and then she raised my aunt's kids; my grandpa died young, so my grandma worked really hard to put food on the table for all of her kids. My father worked more than 40 hours and did whatever he had to do to provide for my mom and me. He went through a lot of grief in his life and always managed to keep a smile on his face. He taught me what respect means and the importance of family. It's more important for a role model to be immediate family than an athlete or famous person. [Actors and musicians] are a fabrication and that's not reality. I like John Lennon, though, because he taught peace, love, and harmony in the world.




Bertó Moya

Electrical Engineer

Temecula

MacGyver was pretty sweet; he got out of every situation. I like him a lot. Everybody liked *The A-Team*. I wanted to be a badass; Murdoch was my favorite. I used to really like Chuck Knoblauch, the second basemen for the Twins; I don't know why. He was the Rookie of the Year when he broke into the league; I think that's why I liked him. Both of my parents didn't go to college; my oldest sister went to college first and kind of set the stage for the rest of us [younger siblings]. She was good in school and went to UCLA. First day of class, every teacher asked me, "Are you Alexandra's little brother?" They had high expectations for me. Oprah's a good role model, but not Britney Spears types; kids don't realize that until they get older. When I was younger, all I wanted to be was a professional baseball player; now that I'm older, I realize that that's not going to happen. You got to grow up.



Eddy Wolsfen

Art Student

North Park

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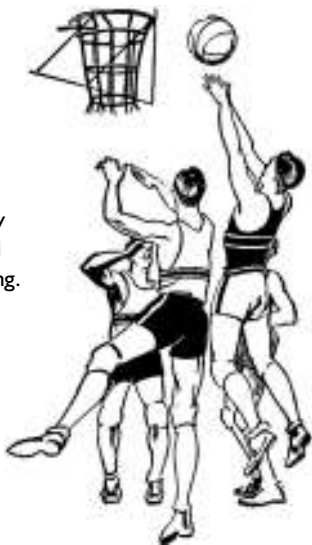
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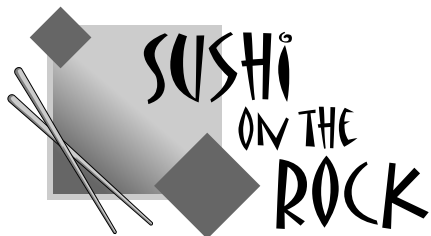
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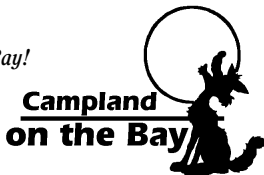
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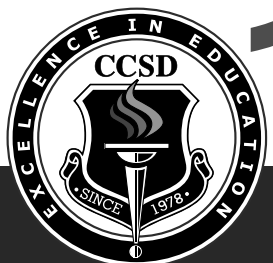
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**ATTRACTIVE SINGLE MOM.** 40, Caucasian, full figured. Seeking a mature, responsible, passionate, loving man for possible long-term relationship. Must love children, I have two. (3/29) **☎**50817

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**LOVELY YET LONELY** 35-year-old woman with questions. Is there a handsome, sane man with own hair, teeth, mature with quality sense of humor? (3/29) ☎50820

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**SPIRITUAL, ROMANTIC,** sensual, 40s, likes holding hands, kissing, being close. Seeking woman with dark hair, 5'-5'6", for lasting relationship of passion, intimacy and growth. (3/29) ☎50199

**SPRING IS HERE,** Love is in the air. Seeking attractive fit 50-68 female for loving relationship. Divorced white male 60' healthy, sincere, easygoing, financially-emotionally secure. (4/5) ☎50255

**LOVE OR FUN,** I'm 6 foot blue brown, goodlooking honest funny. You sexy honest available for movies, dining, parks, must be a great kisser. (4/5) ☎50242

**ATTRACTIVE BLACK MAN, 42,** 6', 220lbs., excellent shape, very peaceful and humble. Seeking attractive lady for dating. (3/29) ☎50204

**THOUGHTFUL GENTLEMAN LATE 70s.** Enjoys, bridge, dancing, movies, music. Prefers tall, full figured lady, who is sensitive up-to-date and fun. (3/29) ☎50220

**GREAT LOOKING ITALIAN,** 50, looks 40, great shape, secured easygoing and very affectionate. Seeking fit, secure, easygoing lady who will be first in my life. (4/5) ☎50249

**GIRLFRIEND WANTED** By healthy, gallant, magical, insatiable, bizarre, crazy, white man. Enjoys adventure, nature, interesting talks, spirituality, quiet times. Wanting authentic woman, weight, age open. (3/29) ☎50224

**SIX FOOT TRAVEL,** Photographer with motorhome. Seeking nonsmoking petite female, over 60, companion to explore California and beyond. Must love outdoors. (4/5) ☎50246

**A ROSE IS RED, THE SKY** maybe blue, answer this ad and I'll make dinner for two. All race welcome. 30-45, am 6'4", white male. (3/29) ☎50231

**HISPANIC OR ASIAN FEMALE** desired, prefer 50-62, I'm 57, 5'10", 175lbs., non-smoking. Looking for a friend to share good and quiet times. 619 area. (3/29) ☎50214

**GREETINGS FROM OB,** Healthy independent man with grown children. Looking for same in woman over 40 for friendship, fun and 2-3 day excursions, maybe more. (4/5) ☎50236

**PROFESSIONAL BLACK MALE,** 55, 6'3", interested in meeting down to earth, non-smoking, good humor, honest female, 40-55 years. For friendship and possible

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**FRIENDSHIP, OUTGOING,** male homeowner seeks outgoing female homeowner, 35-55, with no dependents, to explore San Diego, fun places, fun things. Open minded, East County. (3/29) ☎50203

**GOOD MAN 30,** Likes nature, the beach, food, folks, fun, marriage-minded La Jolian, 5'9", 145. Let's go to lunch. Seeking petite lady. (3/29) ☎50221

**CHRISTIAN EXECUTIVE SEEKS** very attractive, 26-48, nonsmoker, stop here! You be monogamous, spontaneous, sweetheart, dress to impress, cuddly, kind, sexy, let me indulge you. I'm 6'3", 190lbs., 49, good looking, sophisticated, sensual, funny, GQ dresser, successful, wanting committed companion for finer things of life. Paradise awaits. (4/5) ☎50245

**HONEST, PERMANENT,** Relationship offered by fit, financially, secure 78 year homeowner, nonsmoker, active outdoorsman. Our happiness and contentment is my primary desire! (3/29) ☎50230

**TERI HATCHER?** No thanks. Just seeking a 40-60 siren for spring fun. Just be relatively intelligent, attractive and fun. I enjoy cooking, movies. (3/29) ☎50206

**WESTERN WASHINGTON GUY** seeks white female, 40-55, slim/medium build, to come share quiet times here in Puget Sound. I like trips, walks, nature, moonlight, cozy evenings cuddling. (3/29) ☎50205

**SWEETHEART WANTED!** Good looking widower, tall, well-groomed, well-built, healthy, fit, attractive, educated, virile. Retired, successful businessowner, homeowner. Seeking attractive, affectionate, shapely lady, 50-65. (4/5) ☎50238

**OUTGOING GOOD LOOKING,** Confident homeowner 38, 6'11", 180 athletic, very fun. Seeks attractive female for wonderful times together, good cook and kisser a definite plus. (4/5) ☎50237

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**CAUCASIAN, 50s, 6'**, 195lbs., architectural designer, builder, extroverted, world traveler, aware, huggable, personable, listener, compassionate, intuitive, open, communicative, loves life. No cats, please. (3/29) ☎50217

**FRIENDSHIP FIRST**, Maybe more later. I'm 58, 5'3", good-looking, good shape. I love music, walking, writing, more. La Mesa. (4/5) ☎50244

**YES MA'AM**. Strikingly handsome, 51, 6'1", 185lbs. Seeking mature, sublime, curvaceous, beautiful full figured woman, respect, devotion, pleasing you. (4/5) ☎50226

**HOMELESS, 5'5"**, 50 year old mexican jewish pisces. Seeks adventure, fulfillment and marriage with highly intelligent, shapely slim athletic successful woman, with thirst for life. (4/5) ☎50258

**43, 6'3", 235LBS**, Handsome baby-face, white male. Looking for romantic, affectionate, attractive lady for relationship. Companionship, romance, adventure, travel, good times, lots of hugs. (3/29) ☎50225

**COMBAT LONELINESS**, retired businessman, Christian, starting singles group 55+ for friendship, activities, day-trips, conversations, for La Jolla, Clairemont, Pacific Beach residents. Males/females welcome. (3/29) ☎50227

**TALL, ATTRACTIVE**, Christian man who is white, 50+, intelligent, good communicator, sense of humor, active, friendly, financially OK. Seeking a woman to enjoy life with. (3/29) ☎50207

**BIKER WITH**, A good heart. Seeking woman 26-46 for possibly serious relationship, no games, nonsmoker, hug and kisses, ready to give all my heart. Call. (4/5) ☎50233

**SEEKING NICE LADY, 60-78**, for travel, dining, home life. Me: healthy, trim, stable, finance. No baggage. Like outdoors. East County. (3/29) ☎50215

**TALL, ATHLETIC**, Professional, 44, 6'1", brown/blue, healthy lifestyle. Seeking thick, athletic lady 34-48 for biking, tennis, sailing, hiking, etc. Thick legs a plus! (4/5) ☎50253

**YOUNG 60-YEAR-OLD MAN** Looking for a North County woman, nonsmoker, good sense of humor who likes her life and herself, who wants good-man. (4/5) ☎50254

**HISPANIC PROFESSIONAL**, South Bay, 52, divorced, healthy, fit. Enjoy life, travel, theater, concerts, movies, all sports. Clean, neat, homeowner, a gentleman lives alone with pets. (3/29) ☎50211

**BLACK MALE, 45**, light complexion, single, good looking, with no baggage.

Seeking black female, petite, single, attractive, 35-43, please only serious. Lets have some fun. (3/29) ☎50209

**40, ATTRACTIVE**, Single white male. Seeks attractive, childless, single white female, 25-59, for real time fun, must enjoy bookstores, coffeehouses, dining out, sports, day trips. (4/5) ☎50257

**CARING, FUN, FIT**, Romantic stable, white male 6', 55, 175lbs. Seeks special gal for quality time together, walks, dining, travel buy for now. (4/5) ☎50234

**ATTRACTIVE BLACK LADY**, 35-50, fit, sense of humor, sought for friendship, romance, with successful white male, blue eyes, affectionate, muscular. Let me spoil you. (4/5) ☎50240

**ANATOMICALLY BLESSED**, Self-preserved Italian, easy on the eyes, 35, 6'2", 215, be a good non-artificial gifted girl, you've never been kissed like this. (3/29) ☎50228

**BOYISH, GOOD LOOKS, 6'2"**, eyes blue, slim, athletic, college educated, professional. Enjoys surfing, sailing, travel, conversation, family, friends, music, kids. Seeking slim, 35+ friends first. (4/5) ☎50251

## Are You

40-50 years old spontaneous, energetic, active outdoorsy, witty, employed, balanced, considerate and happy. Seeking long-term relationship? Me, too. Call now! See if we "click." (4/5) ☎50252

**SPIRITUAL, SENSITIVE**, intuitive male seeks similar for relationship of learning and growing, humor, prosperity, cuddling, opening our hearts, enchantment. Easygoing, peaceful, 5'6", youthful, 52. (3/29) ☎50212

**I LIVE IN PACIFIC BEACH**. I am a huge sports fan, football, soccer, boogie boarding, poker, etc. I'd like to meet a loving Asian lady. (3/29) ☎50213

**HANDSOME GERMAN DOCTOR**, 36, slender, tall, dependable, romantic, new in town. Desire monogamous relationship with slim, natural attractive woman to enjoy San Diego paradise with. (3/29) ☎50202

**SEEKS BLACK PRINCESS**, Educated, attractive, integrity, professional, beach homeowner, 60, 5'8", trim, prefers exciting, black woman for friendship, romance, love cuddling, fun, long term relationship. (4/5) ☎50248

**FULL-BODIED WHITE FEMALE**, 180+lbs., wanted by attractive black artist, property owner, building mountain home. Seeking to share it with large passionate woman wanting permanent relationship. (3/29) ☎50198

**NONTRADITIONAL**, nonmaterialist, interesting, intelligent, articulate, attractive, charming, secure. Seeking similar in glamorous package. Julian, Argentina,

Mexico, dinners, intimacy. Vive la difference. (3/29) ☎50208

**WANT TO MEET**, Female friends open minded for dutch dates, activities and fun. No smoking or drinking-friend. (4/5) ☎50239

**EXTRAORDINARY GENTLEMAN**, classy, cultured, well-traveled, sensitive, intelligent, spiritual. Nice looking, good body, great conversation, attractive. Seeking wonderful lady, classy, beautiful, inside/out, intelligent, sensitive, spiritual. (3/29) ☎50218

**TRAVEL, 61, LIVE FREE**, 5'8", 148lbs, tennis, in shape, spiritual, no-smoke healthy life-style, play, create. You, in shape and attractive inside and out. Let's boogie. (4/5) ☎50250

**HANDSOME, HONORABLE**, humorous, huggable, healthy, husky, honest African-American, Sagittarius. Seeking someone for fun, dating, maybe more. Race/age open, size open. All calls answered. (3/29) ☎50201

**PASSIONATE HONEST**, Humorous, intelligent, caring, open-minded, adventurous, 5'8", 170lbs. Black-grey, enjoy rock, music, movies, coffee houses, mature. Seeking like-minded to share life with. (3/29) ☎50222

**COOL CUTE BROTHER**, From New York, wants a fine, pretty black sister to dance with, have some good fun, I'm 5'10, 178lbs, love to cuddle! (4/5) ☎50247

**TIGER SEEKING TIGRESS**. Attractive, white tiger, 34. Seeking adventurous, enchanting, insatiable, open minded, uninhibited feline, 21-37, any breed. Friendship, candlelight delights, fantasy fun, romance. Lakeside. (3/29) ☎50210

**ASIAN GIRLFRIEND DESIRED**, I am Caucasian, tall, strong, masculine, confident, funny, eccentric (a professional music recording artist with photos and MP3s to share via e-mail). (4/5) ☎50243

**49, POLICE OFFICER**. Healthy Caucasian, secure, gentleman's standards/ morals, live in Fashion Valley. Seeking 42-50, content, fit, motivated lady to enjoy life with, commitment. (4/5) ☎50235

**DOG LOVER, HIKING, BIKING**, sincere, fun, 5'10", nonsmoker, fit, 50 years, looks 40, passionate. Seeking fit, fun female for relationship. (3/29) ☎50216

**SPIRITUAL, HONEST, OUTDOORS**, Adventurous, spontaneous native San Diegan. Handsome, 57 loves dogs, mountains beach and quiet times with happy, caring woman for casual dates peace! (4/5) ☎50256

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**BAY PARK**, \$610, plus \$50 utilities. Large furnished room, queen-size bed. Computer desk and leather chair. Microwave. On quiet cul-de-sac. No smoking, drugs, pets. 858-272-1594.

**BONITA**. Furnished/unfurnished room in country-style neighborhood home. \$550, utilities, laundry, cable. Shared bathroom, family dinners. Direct bus Southwestern College. No smoking, drugs, alcohol. 619-846-1026.

**CARDIFF**, 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath, spacious house. Bedroom 15'4x15'9", +bath. Blocks from beach, \$1000/month, \$1000/deposit, month-to-month lease, split SDG&E/internet. Water, trash, gardener included. 760-635-0355.

**CARDIFF**, Room for rent in 4 bedroom house, 2 bath, digital cable, high speed internet, garage, washer/dryer, \$525, all utilities included. 760-613-6425.

**CARDIFF**, Roommate needed to share 4 bedroom house. Fireplace, washer/dryer, hot-tub, near beach, \$375/month, first and deposit. Call after 5pm 760-436-6500.

**CARLSBAD**, reduce housing cost by assisting wheelchair bound female student. Private room, in 4 bedroom 2 bath apartment. Female, no smoking/pets. Assist: dressing, bathing, driving. 8-10 hours/week. 760-580-9977, 760-804-5788.

**CARLSBAD**, Room for rent, \$500/monthly, plus deposit, 1/3 utilities. 4 miles from beach. No smoking/drugs/pets. Male preferred. Washer/dryer, kitchen privileges. Jim 760-942-7062.

**CARMEL VALLEY**, \$550/month, plus deposit, 1/3 utilities, free cable/Internet. Shared bath. Fireplace, patio, pool, jacuzzi, tennis courts. Parking. No pets, nonsmoking, female preferred, 619-807-5349.

**CHULA VISTA**, Room for rent, utilities included. Close to 805 and Southwestern College, quiet neighborhood. \$450/month, shahmad@ucsd.edu 619-733-5707.

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**CHULA VISTA/EAST LAKE**, \$650/month. Furnished room with own bath. Includes utilities, cable. Newer 2 bedroom condo. Female preferred. Garage parking. Washer/dryer. 619-807-9464.

**CLAIREMONT, MOUNT AREA**, \$500 plus deposit, 1/3 utilities. 3 bedroom 2 bath house. Maid and gardener included. Quiet location. No pets. Patty, after 5pm, 858-576-6924.

**CLAIREMONT/BAY PARK**, Room available in newly remodeled 4 bedroom, 3 bath house. Clean, quiet neighborhood, no pets/smoking/drugs. Laundry, parking, fireplace. \$550. 858-272-2992.

**CLAIREMONT**. House with yard, golden retriever. 150-square-foot bedroom, share spacious bath with one. Quiet corner, street parking galore. \$550, utilities about \$50. 619-235-2415, x24091.

**CLAIREMONT**, 2 bedroom townhouse, gated, pool, gym. Female tenant wanted to share. \$550, plus utilities. Call Duke, 858-337-2134; 619-235-2415, x16816.

**CLAIREMONT**, Share 3 bedroom, 2 bath, private cable, hi-speed, quiet street, close to mall, near beach, washer/dryer, garage, gardener, \$470, 1/3 utilities, 858-273-8348.

**CLAIREMONT**. Female preferred, smoker ok, share house, utilities, close to all, washer/dryer. \$600 rent/deposit. Available now. Call Carol after 6pm 619-920-0468.

**CLAIREMONT**, \$500, plus 1/3 utilities, deposit. 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath condo in quiet complex. Near freeways/shopping. Newly remodeled with all new appliances/dishwasher, air conditioning, on-site gym, 2 pools, laundry, parking. 858-531-7133.

**CLAIREMONT/BALBOA**. Female. \$500 plus deposit. Shared 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Cable, pool, laundry, parking. No smoking/pets/drugs. Great location near 805. Lori, 858-974-1462.

**CLAIREMONT**, \$600. Master bedroom available in clean, quiet, nicely furnished house. Private bath. Safe, quiet neighborhood. House has washer/dryer. Room has a large closet and is wired for high-speed internet, cable TV, and private phone line. Female only. No smoking, drugs, pets. Landlord pays for gardener, cable TV, and internet. Landlord is conducting initial screening. Bill, 858-278-8131.

**COLLEGE AREA**, share 3 bedroom house, private entrance, spacious, large closet, newly remodeled, fireplace, washer/dryer, fenced yard. \$800. Pets ok. Near SDSU. 858-337-7417.

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**COLLEGE/DEL CERRO**, 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo with female. Large semi-furnished room/bath, computer/desk. Pool, jacuzzi. Have cat. Nonsmoker. \$600, plus utilities. Toni, 858-731-3114; 619-235-2415, x24658.

**DEL MAR, EAST**, \$850. Middle bedroom with private bath. Pool, jacuzzi, gym. Garage parking. Off Del Mar Heights Road. Nonsmoker. Available April. Leave message, 858-794-0883; 619-235-2415, x29109.

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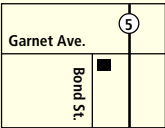
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**ENCINITAS.** Duplex. \$1425. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 975 square feet, off-street parking. Pets OK. 1054 Golden Road. Available 4/18. Agent, 858-755-1139, www.scuba-rentals.com.

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**ENCINITAS/LEUCADIA.** Secluded, big 1 bedroom with large deck, skylights, fireplace, hardwood floors, 1 parking space. Small, quiet complex. Nonsmoking. \$1200. 273 Hillcrest Drive. 858-794-7880.

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**FASHION VALLEY.** \$1250 rent. \$600 deposit, OAC. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with 2-car garage. No pets. At 1330 Eureka Street #14. Agent, 619-298-5820.

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**GOLDEN HILL.** \$750. Downstairs loft-style 1 bedroom in newly restored classic Victorian. Gleaming hardwood floors. Wine cellar. Gated. Laundry. No pets. www.goldenhillpm.com. Agent, 619-234-9553.

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**GOLDEN HILL** studio. \$600, includes water and trash. Small, quiet complex. Convenient location close to downtown and freeway, 1140 20th Street. Leasing Unlmi- ted, 760-436-7273.

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# THE READER PUZZLE

## Across

1. Scale reading [rule breaker #1]
  7. Inits. in the personals
  10. Sea, to Sartre
  13. How some payments are made
  14. Treasure of the Sierra Madre?
  15. Stack
  16. Gracefully slender
  17. Tree in the pine family
  18. “\_\_\_\_\_ want for Christmas ...”
  19. “Time is money,” e.g.
  21. Blood line [rule breaker #2]
  22. Ethel exhibited it towards Lucy on “I Love Lucy” [rule breaker #3]
  28. 1944 Cary Grant classic “Arsenic and \_\_\_\_\_”
  29. Freudian subjects
  30. Expert knot tiers
  31. A Redgrave
  32. Bill Clinton’s relig. affiliation
  35. Broadway’s “\_\_\_\_\_ Misbehavin’”
  36. Some advanced degs.
  37. Retirement spots?
  38. The EPA banned it in 1972
  39. Molecule part
  41. Elevator alternative
  43. Mended
  44. Emotional pangs
  45. With 63-Across, a well-known grammatical rule
48. Bangkok native
  49. Longest river in France
  50. German auto pioneer Karl
  51. Batting stat.
  52. Bamboo lovers
  58. “Smooth Operator” singer
  59. Disease research org.
  60. Comic Booster
  61. Voting “yea”
  62. Absorb the cost of
  63. See 45-Across

## Down

1. Madison’s home: Abbr.
2. Ltr. holder
3. Curling surface
4. Lass
5. FDR successor
6. Kindergarten recitation
7. To this point
8. Word on some chewing gum packs
9. From abroad [rule breaker #4]
10. Jazzy Davis
11. Jazzy Marsalis
12. Jockey strap [rule breaker #5]
15. Gets concrete results?
20. Buck’s partner
22. “When I am dead, my dearest, Sing \_\_\_\_\_ songs for me”: Rossetti
23. 1961 Heston role

24. “Frankly, my dear, \_\_\_\_\_ ...”
25. Overabundance
26. It may be hard on a construction worker
27. Choice for un votant
31. On the \_\_\_\_\_ (fleeing)
32. Stocking color [rule breaker #6]
33. Madison Ave. solicitor
34. “Hey! ... Yeah, you!”
36. African capital named after a U.S. president
37. Judge’s seat
39. Gen. Pershing’s troops
40. Like some highways
41. Popeye’s son
42. Sales at the box office, slangily
43. Impound [rule breaker #7]
44. Three times, in a Rx
45. “People are saying ...”
46. Sal of the 1970s A’s
47. Dinner time, perhaps [rule breaker #8]
48. Kitchen meas.
53. TV E.T.
54. D.C. baseballer
55. Color
56. “Gimme \_\_\_\_\_!” (start of a Rutgers cheer)
57. Very short time, in short

## 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.
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**HILLCREST.** \$895. Large studio. Quiet, charming building. No dogs. View of park. Laundry. Gated. Large closet. Newer carpet/paint. 536 Maple. www. palomarapts.com. Leo, 619-232-1665.

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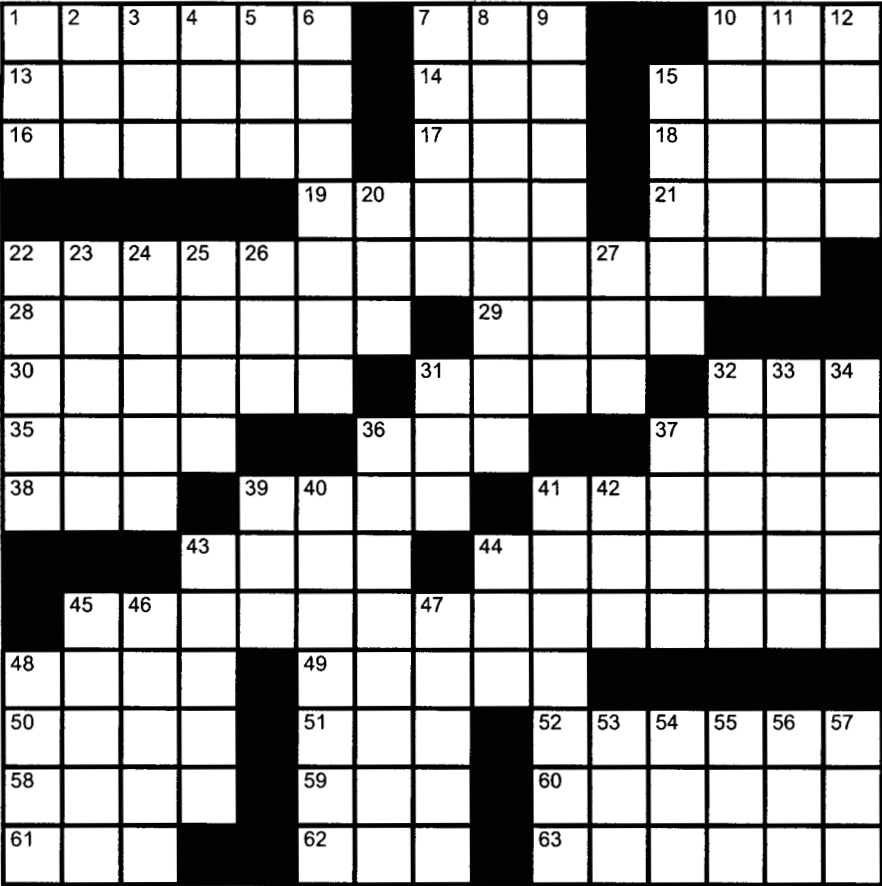
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— by Robert Mizrachi

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**LA MESA.** Townhome, \$750. 500 square feet, parking 2 bedrooms, 2 bath. Small security building. Fenced yard, pool, \$975 per month, low deposit. 619-392-5248.

**LA MESA/CASA DE ORO.** 3 bedroom, 2 baths, from \$1325! 2 bedrooms from

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**LA MESA/FLETCHER HILLS.** Lush gardens, sparkling pool. Cathedral ceilings are just a few amenities in this newly refurbished community. 1 bedrooms starting at \$995, 2 bedrooms from \$1150. No pets. Call 619-464-8985. www.fletcherhillstc.info.

**LAKESIDE.** 2 County, \$900. Walk to Lindo Lake County Park. Schools, shopping, transportation close. Assigned parking, laundry, barbecue/picnic area. Ceilint fans, air conditions, dishwashers. 619-561-5968.

**LAKESIDE.** \$1250. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Off-street parking. Air conditioning. Newer appliances/carpet/paint. Section 8 ok. 619-449-6153.

**LAKESIDE.** \$795. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, laundry onsite. Available 4/15. 12718 Mapleview Avenue #9. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

**LEMON GROVE.** Sundance Trailer Park. Trailer space rental, \$400 monthly. Trailer with space rental, \$550-\$600. Shower facilities available. Coin laundry onsite. Near trolley/freeway. Lease. Deposit. No dogs; cats considered. Manager, 619-469-3681. 619-370-5102.

**LEMON GROVE.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Cute, centrally located, close to all. Parking, laundry on site. 3320 Vista Avenue. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

**LEMON GROVE.** \$650. Quiet 1 bedroom, 1 bath in nice complex. Refrigerator and stove. On-site laundry facility. www.utopiamanagement.com. 619-414-6474.

**LEMON GROVE.** Large 1 bedroom, 1 bath duplex. Hardwood floors. Quiet. \$725 plus deposit. No pets. 619-461-0200.

**LINDA VISTA.** Save on gas, move to central San Diego! 2 bedroom, 1 bath with backyard, \$995-\$1075. Hardwood floors, assigned parking, townhouses and single level apartments. Office at 2451 Ulric Street. 858-278-3610.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$675. Studio, utilities included. Laundry, gated parking. \$400 deposit. No pets. Astro Vista Apartments, 2249 Ulric Street. Call Monday-Friday for appointment. 858-565-6400.

**LINDA VISTA.** 1 bedroom den in a duplex with a big backyard. Hardwood floors, washer in unit. \$1160, deposit \$900. Call 858-278-3610.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$1100. Quiet corner 2 bedroom condo, coast view. Hardwood, cathedral ceiling, skylights, laundry, tennis, pool, parking. Great location! \$900 deposit, 6-month lease. 858-775-3036.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$1100. Upper, 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. \$1000 deposit. Laundry. Available now. No pets. 1 parking. 5651 Mildred Street #B. For appointment, 619-584-5900.

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**LINDA VISTA.** 2 bedrooms, \$1425. 3 bedrooms, \$1625. 2 bedroom special, \$599 moves you in! 3 bedroom special, \$1000 moves you in. Large, newly remodeled. Stainless steel appliances, fitness center, 5 pools. Garage, carport parking. Pet friendly. Referral fee of \$200! Cabrillo Springs, 7901 Harmarsh Street. 888-264-0594. www.sdreader.com/rent/2067.

**LINDA VISTA.** 6544 Kelly Street. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, \$1060. Big yard! Cat OK. Great deal! 6546 also available. app@ajprop.com. A&J Property Management, 888-285-1537.

**LINDA VISTA.** \$1150. 2 bedroom, 1 bath townhouse. Small fenced yard! Assigned parking. Pet on approval. Move-in special: \$300 off first month's rent. 2275 West Dunlop. Agent, 619-283-2144.

**LITTLE ITALY.** \$1900. New beautiful, 1 bedroom, 1 bath Lennar condo. Private patio, city view, landscaped courtyard. New stainless steel appliances, slate tile, berber carpeting. Parking space, fitness room, clubhouse. No pets/smoking. 870-656-1129.

**LITTLE ITALY.** Brand new 1 bedroom condo, bay view, washer/dryer in unit, parking, air conditioning, large patio, stainless appliances, granite counters. \$1650. 619-778-6871.

**LITTLE ITALY.** 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Fully remodeled back unit. Granite countertops, new appliances, washer/dryer. Garage plus space, huge deck. \$1800. No pets. 3622 State Street. Call 619-688-9191.

**MIRA MESA.** \$1785. 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhome. Granite countertops, custom bath with jacuzzi tub. Washer/dryer in-unit, newer appliances. Pool/spa. Pets OK. 858-880-1174.

**MIRA MESA.** \$1190. Clean 2 bedroom, 2 full bath Quail Creek condo. 2-parking spaces. Good storage. Air conditioning. Pool, tennis, clubroom. Available now. 619-838-1900.

**MIRA MESA.** \$1895. Lovely, large renovated townhome. 4 bedroom, 2 bath with 2 covered parking. New kitchen cabinets, new tile floor, new carpet and paint, it is ready for move-in. Close to I-15 and shopping. Call Carol, 619-203-2424.

**MISSION BAY, EAST.** \$795 rent. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. \$500 deposit. Laundry. Assigned parking. Cat OK. Close to I-5. 1450 Morena Boulevard. Call 619-890-4340.

**MISSION BAY.** \$1400. 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home, redwood deck, utilities included, pets on approval. 2727 De anza Road. Vacant. 619-640-7530. www.sdforrent.com.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1000. Large 1-1/2 bedroom, 1 bath, eat-in kitchen, carpets, drapes, off-street parking. Lease. On boulevard. No pets. Available now! 619-465-6588. 619-709-7075.

**MISSION BEACH,** bayside, 1 bedroom, very clean, private and charming, dish-

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**MISSION BEACH.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1200. Carport. Hardwood floors. Fee. Free search at www.sdrentals.com. 858-324-1780.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1495. 2 bedroom, 1 bath upper unit. One off-street parking space. 1 year lease. Pet on approval (additional deposit). 3710 Bayside Lane. Call 858-490-1600. www.kandrpproperties.com.

**MISSION BEACH.** \$1250. 1 bedroom duplex with parking. Laundry facility. Appliances. Private front and back patios. Steps to sand. 737 Wavcrest Court. 858-272-9547.

**MISSION BEACH.** Walk to beach and Bay! 1 bedroom with 1-car garage. Hardwood floors. \$999. 3629 Mission Boulevard. 619-236-1186.

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**MISSION HILLS.** 2000-square-foot townhouse, 3 large master suites, fantastic bay view, Berber, balcony, washer/dryer, 2-car garage. No pets. 1144 West Palm/India. \$2350. 619-295-7113.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1200/up. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry. Parking. Pets OK. La Paloma Apartments. Open daily, 1-5pm. 3911 Dove. 619-297-1134.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1600, available 4/1. Remodeled 2 bedroom, 2.5 bath townhouse. 1200 square-feet, 2-car garage. Appliances, fireplace, balcony, no pets. 3009 Union Street. Broker, 858-735-5377.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$850. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. On canyon, quiet, near shopping and bus lines. No pets. 619-298-6436.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$1245, 1 bedroom, 1 bath. \$1425, 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Incredible remodels. Large living area, new appliances, extra storage. 3737 Keating Street. 858-583-0182 or 858-688-0287, www.cal-prop.com.

**MISSION HILLS.** Move-in special \$300 off first month. 2822 Reynard, #6. 1 bedroom upstairs, \$875. Quiet. Laundry, off-street parking, on bus line. Karen, 619-231-2727 x233.

**MISSION HILLS.** Move-in special \$300 off first month. 2822 Reynard, #4. 2 bedrooms downstairs, \$1100. Laundry, off street parking, on bus line. Karen, 619-231-2727 x233.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$700. Large studio. 2519 Columbia at Laurel. Large fenced yard, very private. 619-203-1382.

**MISSION HILLS/HILLCREST.** \$700. Charming studio-size lower duplex, wood floors, large windows, apartment-size stove/refrigerator. Public tennis courts close. Off-street parking. 619-298-0982.

**MISSION HILLS/OLD TOWN.** \$1095. Delightful 1 bedroom apartment. Mexican tile floors, opened beamed ceilings, full modern kitchen, ceilings fans, track lighting. Old Town charm, convenience. Includes gas, water, reserved parking. Sparkling clean! (But, no pets.) 619-692-3773.

**MISSION HILLS.** 1 bedrooms from \$850. 2 bedrooms from \$1080. \$350 off first month! Patios. Pool. Laundry room. Storage and more! Cat OK. 3505 Reynard Way. 619-683-9239. www.rasnyder.com.

**MISSION HILLS.** \$2200. 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 2-car detached garage, fenced yard, hardwood floors. 1829 West Montecito Way. CCPM, 619-296-6699.

**MISSION VALLEY/Mission Ridge.** \$1350. Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo. Private resort complex. Central air, fireplace, new paint, garden view, fitness center. 619-563-6656.

**MISSION VALLEY, EAST.** Condo. \$1175, 2 bedroom, 1-1/2 bath upstairs corner, balcony, available now. Appliances, on-site laundry, pool/spa. Cats OK. 5442 Adobe Falls. 619-667-0317.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$1700. 7248 Camino Del Degrazia, #-298. Great location above Fashion Valley. Washer/dryer, 2-car garage, fireplace. Trash/water paid. Trident Pacific, 619-435-9442, homes4rent.com.

**MISSION VALLEY, WEST.** 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Near USD. Ground-floor, courtyard, laundry, parking. No pets. Available 3/25. \$925 plus deposit. Andy, 619-405-7800.

**MISSION VALLEY.** Newly renovated studios/suites-\$315+/week, \$1099+/month. Off-street, covered parking. Full kitchen. Complimentary continental breakfast. Hot coffee/tea, 24 hours. On-site laundry. Free high speed Internet, 80 cable channels, HBO. Fax/copy service. Pool/spa. Near SDSU. Days Inn & Suites, 1-888-298-5168. www.sdreader.com/rent/2139.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 1 bedrooms, \$970 and up. 2 bedrooms, \$1095 and up. Heated pool, spa, saunas, gym. Clubhouse with billiards and TV. Patio or balcony. Covered parking. Near Mission Trails Park. Villa De Flores Apartments, 7707 Mission George Road. 619-583-0821. www.sdreader.com/rent/1008, VillaDeFlores@att.net.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 3 bedroom, 2 baths from \$1645! 2 bedroom, 2 baths from \$1245. 2 bedroom, 2-1/2 bath townhome, \$1420. \$300 deposit! Tropical. Dishwasher. Microwave. Pool. Spa. Sauna. Fitness center. Central air. Balcony, patio. Gated, parking. Laundry. Dog, cat OK. Mission Pacific, 4454 44th Street. 1-800-372-9146. www.pacificliving.com. www.sdreader.com/rent/1010.

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**CATS (2),** beautiful, females, \$50. Must find homes due to allergies. Indoor cats, very gentle, loving. 5 years old. 1 black, 1 grey-blue/tan/white. 760-310-7963.

**CATS.** 2 sisters, black and white tiger striped. Need home! Sweet/cuddly and raised indoors. Good with children and

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**CHIHUAHUA PUPPIES.** Pure bred, short hair. 1 long hair, healthy build, very cute, 8 weeks, shots current. Asking \$300, 619-256-0010, 619-781-5630. CD125/137633\*13.

**CHINCHILLA, GUINEA PIG,** rabbit cage and house. 2 in 1 small animal cage with optional second story, water bottle, feeding tray, medium size house, \$55. Used 2 days. More! 832-556-9752.

**COCKATOO,** umbrella, tame and friendly. Talks. 3 years old, male. \$800 to a good home. Large cage available. \$800. 858-673-9176.

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**DOG.** Lab mix, 10 months old, fully potty trained and knows basic commands: sit, shake, lay down. Very smart/compassionate. Needs back yard and lots of attention. \$200. 619-750-7899.

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**ENGLISH BULLDOG,** 4 year old, not neutered, he is AKC registered, has champion bloodlines, great temper, good with other dogs. Shot records. \$850. 562-413-6980.

**FISH TANK.** 150 gallon aquarium with stand and canopy. Dimensions are as follows: 5'Lx6'Hx2'W. Never been used. Temecula area. \$800. 619-549-1192.

**GUINEA PIG,** Georgie, 4 months old, neutered and super sweet. Brown, and black and great with kids. \$25. 760-480-2766.

**GUINEA PIG,** very sweet personality, acts like a dog. To excellent home only. Needs more time and attention than I can give. 619-838-3286.

**JACK RUSSELL,** pure-bred terrier for sale. Female, price negotiable. Must sell. 4 years old, not fixed so if desired you can breed her. \$250. 858-831-0025.

**KITTEN,** Maine coon mix. 5 months old, shots are all current, is neutered, microchipped. Brown tabby, big green eyes, thick fluffy tail. \$150. 858-679-3370.

**KITTENS,** male \$100, 3 month old kittens. Black and white, short hair 1/2 ragdoll. Gold eyes, indoor, box trained, shots, mom is ragdoll. \$100. 619-445-4499.

**LOST DOGS,** 2 Chocolate labs, male, lost on 03-09-06 in the SDSU area. Answer to

the names Jackson and Bailly. Heartbroken owner! Please call 619-851-9066.

**MALTESE FEMALE PUPPY,** 9 weeks, ready to find her new home. She has had her first shots. Parents on site \$850. Aaron, 619-200-4343, email aaronchurder@gmail.com.

**PET DOOR** and cat furniture, sliding glass door insert with medium size opening. \$50/best. Assorted cat furniture and scratch posts, \$10-\$50. 858-565-4120.

**PIT BULL PUPPY,** For sale, 10 weeks old, tan and white color, blue eyes, \$110. Call 619-302-7193.

**PIT BULL,** puppies. Beautiful pure bred, rare gray (blue) or fawn color available. Father has papers. 4 male, 5 female. Available 3/19/06. \$100/each. 619-665-7853.

**PIT BULL,** puppy. Shots, dewormed, 10 weeks. Last one of the litter. \$150. 619-303-7637.

**POODLE MIX,** spayed, 18 months, white, looks very poodle. 13 pounds, cuddles, kisses, likes other dogs. \$150. 619-466-0426.

**PUG PUPPIES,** Pug-fawn pups, ready after 4/01/06. 2 females, 4 males They will have 1st set of shots, dewormed. Both parents are AKC! \$850. 858-776-2233

**PUG PUPPIES,** 1 year, black female, pure breed, spade, up-to-date shots/registration. \$400. 5 month old silver, all shots. \$800. Both papered. 619-271-2111. 619-208-8494.

**PUPPY,** mini Schnauzer, 4 months, female, black. Very loveable, playful, sweet. Mostly potty trained. Have crate and doggie door for sliding glass door. Shots/papers. \$750. 619-838-9431.

**PUPPY.** 3 months old Blue Pitt bull beauty, last, best of the litter. Female, all blue, both parents onsite. Delacruz bloodline, shots/dewormed. \$1000/best or trade. 619-269-6923, www.clarksblighues.com.

**SALT WATER FISH.** Moving, need good home with established tank for clown and friends. \$5. City Heights. 619-818-1947.

**TERRARIUMS,** 20 gallon-tall \$35, 3 (20) gallon long, (2) black and 1 wood grain color \$40. Many more. Top shape, screen lids, and pins. 858-344-1319.

**TERRIER MIX,** spayed, 16 months old, 7 pounds, housebroken, white, scruffy, cute fur, lapdog. No small kids, getting socialized \$100. 61



**MISSION VALLEY.** Beautifully remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Designer touches, everything new! Open views front/back pools, greenbelt. Carports, spa, tennis. Near trolley. \$1900. 949-294-9549.

**MISSION VALLEY.** Escala. \$2200. Fabulous, new 2 bedroom townhome. Lots of light! Stainless appliances, washer/dryer, garage. No pets. 9213 Platinio Way. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 1 and 2 bedroom condos, several locations, lots of amenities, some with washer/dryer included. Free service. Call 619-296-2787.

**MISSION VALLEY, NORTH.** 3 bedroom, 3 bath condo. Lots of upgrades. 2-car garage. Central heat and air. Washer/dryer. Pets OK. Available 3/15. \$2395. Call now, 858-598-1111 x190. www.utopiamanagement.com.

**MISSION VALLEY/WEST.** \$1595. Luxurious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, beautiful interior, fireplace, washer/dryer. Lush, tropical, gated complex with pool, spa, gym, covered parking. 619-301-9427.

**MISSION VALLEY.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath River Scene condo. Dual master suites. Large patio, garage parking, washer/dryer, fireplace, air, alarm, pool, spa, fitness center. \$1650. 858-395-5597.

**MISSION VALLEY.** \$990. 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo, partially furnished. Pool, lots of amenities. 6780 Friars Road #271. Agent, 858-560-1178.

**NATIONAL CITY.** 1 bedroom, on-site laundry, off-street parking. No pets. \$725. Gabby, 619-336-1776. www.melroyproperties.com.s

**NATIONAL CITY.** Studio, \$600. Spacious. View. Garage available. Must see! No pets. 940 Palm Avenue. 619-336-0436.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1025. Extra large 2 bedroom, 1 bath, upstairs apartment. Small complex. New carpet. New appliances. 2-off-street parking spaces. Laundry room. 619-640-5790.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 1-2 bedroom, all new. \$750/\$950 plus deposit. Gated. Laundry onsite. Easy freeway access. Convenient bus line. Owner/resident. 3722 Adams (upstairs). 619-471-5728.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 4737 34th Street. 2 bedroom, 1 bath condo. Upstairs unit. Complex recently remodeled, unit never

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**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$950. Exceptional 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Completely remodeled! Huge kitchen! New carpet. Ceiling fans. New appliances. Laundry, Parking, Quiet, gated complex. 619-283-7643; 619-925-7657.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$850. 1 bedrooms. Remodeled units. Tile, ceiling fans. Off street parking. Laundry facilities. Near busline. Cat OK. Nonsmoking. Available after 4/1. 619-284-2092. www.fliot.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 2 bedroom, 2 bath, \$1400. Newer upgraded townhouse. 1 garage, laundry hookup. No pets. Available 4/1. 4513-1/2 Felton. 619-701-1490.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$925. 2 bedroom, 1 bath downstairs apartment in quiet, gated building. New paint, laundry, ceiling fan, reserved parking. No pets. 4319 Copeland. 619-265-8680.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$895. Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Appliances, newly painted. Upper, corner, quiet, gated, parking, laundry facilities. 4437 McClintock. 619-464-7957.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1300. Large, deluxe, newer, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, lower unit. Garage, laundry, security and intercom. 4743 Hawley Boulevard. 760-796-7685.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS/KENSINGTON.** \$1000 rent, \$600 deposit. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Parking, Laundry room. No pets. At 4742 East Mountain View Drive #3. Agent, 619-299-8515.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$985. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Beautifully refurbished. Private balcony. Gated building. Off-street parking. Nicely landscaped. Quiet. 1 year lease. 4522 Oregon Street. 858-481-1138.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$780. Nice 1 bedroom apartment. Upstairs, garage, newer carpet. Close to shopping and freeways. No pets. 4642 30th Street. Agent, 619-469-7790. www.westmanproperties.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$900. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Upstairs unit in gated complex. Laundry onsite, Parking. Available 4/1/06.

4580 39th. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$750. 1 bedroom, 1 bath, clean and quiet. Parking, gated, laundry. Available 4/8. 4382 Utah Street #4. 619-295-1100; www.cethron.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1025. Downstairs 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Stove. Refrigerator. Dishwasher. Carpeting. Blinds. Laundry. 1 assigned parking spot. No pets. 4377 39th Street. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1025. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Utilities included. Cul-de-sac. Canyon view. Parking. No pets. 4867 Kenmore Terrace #B. Agent, 619-298-7724.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$800. Spacious 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Everything is new! Off-street parking. Secured building. Laundry facilities. 4356 McClintock. Chris, 619-698-0945.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1025. 2 bedroom, 2 bath with free cable TV, vaulted ceilings, fireplace and two balconies. On-site laundry, garage. Available. 4675 Felton. 619-285-9185.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath. All new, laundry room on site. Close to all. Available now. 4567 Hawley Boulevard #1. \$1050 plus \$1050 deposit. Sorry, no pets. 858-483-5111 x10. www.melroyproperties.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** Large 2 bedroom, 2 bath with 1-car garage, air conditioning, dishwasher, microwave, walk-in closet, laundry on site. Gated community. Close to Adams Avenue. 4561 Hawley Boulevard #9. \$1150 plus \$900 deposit. Ask about move-in special! No pets. Must see to appreciate. 858-483-5111 x10. www.melroyproperties.com.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$815. 1 bedroom apartment available. Close to 805 freeway, on Monroe Avenue. On-site laundry, off-street parking. \$400 deposit, O.A.C. Call today for appointment, 619-280-0061.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** 2 bedroom apartment \$950, 4133 37th Street. 1 bedroom apartment \$775, 4670 Cherokee Avenue. Very nice, on-site laundry, off-street parking. No pets. 760-672-0425.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS/NORTH PARK.** \$775. Huge, clean, sunny 1 bedroom with dishwasher, disposal, large closet, on-site laundry room and off-street parking. 3209 Meade Avenue #14. Please call 619-501-5109.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$750. 1 bedroom, upstairs corner unit. Updated appliances!

Brand new carpet, vinyl, verticals throughout. New custom two-tone paint. Parking and laundry onsite. 4725 Mansfield. Manager, 619-370-2322.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$1050. 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Air conditioning. Gated. Parking. Laundry. No pets. Available 4/20. 4429 Idaho #13. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$825. 1 bedroom, 1 bath. Downstairs. Laundry on site. Parking. No pets. Available 4/15. 4840 West Mountain View Drive. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS/NORTH PARK.** \$1025. 2 bedroom, 2 bath. Laundry. Parking. Available approximately 4/15. No pets. 4371 Swift Avenue #6. More Property Management, 858-514-8201.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** Large 1 bedroom. 4669 Wilson, \$725. Deposit \$600. Very clean upper in small, quiet complex. Gas stove, refrigerator, breakfast bar. Space parking. 858-689-8878.

**NORMAL HEIGHTS.** \$700. Deposit \$450. 1 bedroom. Upstairs. Refrigerator. Stove. Parking. No pets. 4681 35th Street #7. See manager in #1. Agent, 619-226-7368.

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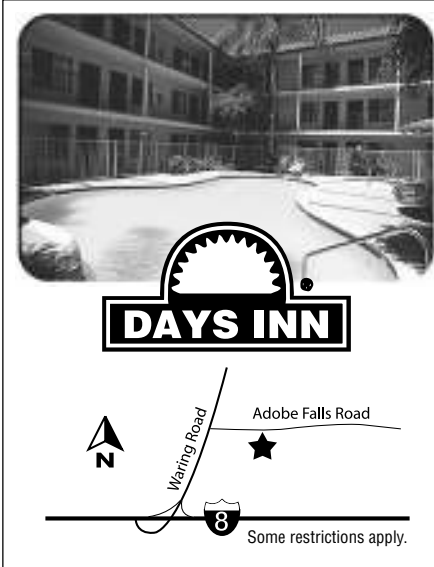
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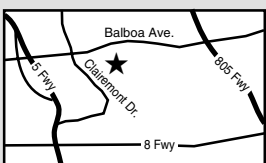


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LEAD STORIES

— The Perfectly Equal Society: (1) In January, Canada’s human rights commission was authorized by their supreme court to resume consideration of a union’s claim that Air Canada’s flight attendants (who are mostly women) are just as valuable, and therefore should be paid the same as its pilots and mechanics (mostly men). (2) Also in January, Doug Anglin, 17, filed a formal complaint with the U.S. Department of Education against Milton (Mass.) High School, which he said discriminates against boys by giving better grades to students who “sit down, follow orders, and listen to what [teachers and administrators] say.” “Men,” Anglin told a *Boston Globe* reporter, “naturally rebel against this.”

Bold New Niches for Restaurants

— The Guo-Li-Zhuang opened recently in Beijing, exclusively serving delicacies made with animal penises and testicles, exploiting the traditional Chinese belief that such foods enhance virility. (Women can prosper as well because penis is good for the skin, according to a nutritionist cited in a February London *Daily Telegraph* dispatch.) Showcase dishes include “Dragon in the flame of desire” (which is yak) and the “hotpot” (six types of penis plus four of testicle). The most expensive is Canadian seal penis, at the equivalent of about \$400.

— Several cafés in Hong Kong now lend their dining guests dogs and cats to pet during their visits. This temporary affection, according to a January *Der Spiegel* dispatch, is popular because Hong Kong residents find it so inconvenient to own pets in such a densely populated city. Also in January, the owner of the Augsburg, Germany, restaurant La Boheme confirmed that while customers are welcome to bring their own dogs with them when they dine, “small children” are not allowed in the evenings. “After a hard day’s work, [diners] want some peace,” he told Agence France-Presse.

Science on the Cutting Edge

— Seventh-grader Jasmine Roberts became a

celebrity of sorts in February when her hometown *Tampa Tribune* published results of her winning science-fair entry, which concluded that the drinking-water ice of several local fast-food restaurants contains more bacteria (including some *E. coli*) than the same restaurants’ toilet water. She used a laboratory at the University of South Florida’s Moffitt Cancer Center, where she is a volunteer assistant for a professor.

— Still More Weird Animal Mating Rituals: (1) According to scientists who made rare observations of wombats having sex, published in December, there was chasing, biting, grunting, and stops and starts, along with the female’s bewildering “figure-eight dance,” which she employed as a prerequisite for being mounted. (2) A male beluga whale signals his urge by, basically, crashing into a female to draw her attention to his aroused state, according to a February *Chicago Sun-Times* report from the city’s Shedd Aquarium. If the female is also ready, she turns her body to expose herself, after which mating is accomplished in a matter of seconds, followed by the male’s abrupt and permanent departure from her life.

Leading Economic Indicators

— In Nagano, Japan, in February, five disgruntled Buddhist monks (along with four clerical workers) at the Zenkoji temple formed a labor union that was certified by the National Confederation of Trade Unions, to combat what they say was harassment by the head monk regarding working conditions.

— The latest product for routine U.S. outsourcing is sperm, according to a November report by Wired.com. In a program established by the highly regarded Dr. Sanford Rosenberg of Richmond, Va., a potential father’s sperm is shipped to a lab in Bucharest, Romania, to fertilize eggs of local women, with the resultant embryos frozen and returned to the United States for implanting in the mother, at about half the domestic price for the procedure.

Least Competent Criminals

— Totally Hapless: (1) Matthew John Wyman,

told to recite the alphabet at a roadside DUI stop in West Roxbury, Mass., in November, asked the officer if he could please substitute a math problem instead (Answer: No). (2) Frank Traina’s attempted armed robbery of a Chinese restaurant in Levittown, N.Y., in December went awry when the owner realized that Traina’s realistic-looking gun was leaking water from the barrel. (3) In December, Auckland, New Zealand, police arrested the man who had robbed a bank but then, disappointed at the size of the loot, had telephoned the bank manager and ordered him to stand out front with more money, which he would grab on a drive-by. The robber never showed up, but police traced the phone call.

Recurring Themes

— (1) Latest lame reason for not paying taxes: James Clifford Hanna, of Canada’s Yukon Territory, argued in court in February that “James Clifford Hanna” was merely a name involuntarily given to him and that since he never officially accepted it, he can’t be forced to pay James Clifford Hanna’s taxes. He lost the case. (2) In December, Terry Dresdow of Milwaukee became the latest person to have his car stolen and retrofitted by the thief with fancy equipment, and then to get his car back after the thief was caught. His 1989 Chevrolet Caprice, which cost him \$1200 used, now has a top-of-the-line stereo system, deluxe spoked wheels, and keyless entry.

Readers’ Choice

— (1) While camping in California’s Mojave Desert, artist Trevor Corneliusen, 26, chained his ankles together in order to draw an image of his legs, but when he finished, he realized he did not have the key to unlock the chain. He told sheriff’s deputies that he hopped around the desert for 12 hours before arriving at a gas station, where he called for help (January). (2) Convicted methamphetamine user Daniel Zeiszler, 22, burned his hand and arm last year in a South San Francisco hotel room attempting to extract meth from his own urine in a crude recycling

attempt. At his sentencing in December (at which he got five months in jail), his lawyer acknowledged that it would take “gallons” of urine to extract a usable amount of meth, rather than the one bladderful Zeiszler was working with.

Signs of the Times

— It’s All About Meeeee! (1) Prominent interior designer June Matheson, 72, pleaded guilty in January to poisoning several majestic trees bordering Stanley Park in Vancouver, British Columbia, just so they would no longer obstruct her view of the Pacific Ocean (and to enhance the value of her home, which she was preparing to sell). (2) In Media, Pa., Colleen Lacombe, 34, was sentenced in December to two years’ house arrest for embezzling \$325,000 from the First Church of Lansdowne, whose charity and repair-fund money she used to buy a second home and to get breast implants. With the help of relatives, she made full restitution to the church.

— Professors at England’s University of Bath, studying adolescents’ reactions to brand names, revealed in December an astonishing level of hatred and violence toward Barbie dolls. Many instances were reported of torture and mutilation of Barbie, including scalping, decapitation, burning, and microwaving.

Undignified Deaths

— An 81-year-old school crossing guard was accidentally struck and killed by a 70-year-old crossing guard who was driving to his own post (Park Ridge, N.J., October). ... A 62-year-old woman was found dead, having apparently suffocated under a pile of debris that fell on top of her in her home (Shelton, Wash., January). Clothes and trash were piled almost to the ceiling in every room in her house, and rescuers searched the home for ten hours before locating her body.

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## In the Reader

### Thirty Years Ago

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ELEPHANT AND rhino: Watch those mastodon herds! I'm a distant relative of yours, although much warmer. Woolly Mammoth.

THERE IS A Harvard man on the wrong side of every question. Pegasus.

—CLASSIFIEDS, March 25, 1976

### Twenty-Five Years Ago

"This is Bill Ballance. Every night for six hours on radio station KFMB, we explore our universe of the mind. And if tonight you feel that your wagon of destiny has swerved over on the soft shoulder of that grim dirt road to oblivion, my show will guide you to that haven of serenity — within. And now let me slip a few friendly chives into the psychic-bouillabaisse of a woman named..."

"Sherry."

[The resonant, baritone voice lowers.]

"How old are ya, punkin?"

"Nineteen."

—**"BILLO: THE SALUBRIOUS LIFE AND SALACIOUS (WELL, MAYBE) OPINIONS OF WILLIS BENNETT BALLANCE,"** Jeff Smith, March 26, 1981

### Twenty Years Ago

It's been an embarrassing year for the San Diego Housing Commission. News stories last fall disclosed how the commission's executive director, Ben Montijo, spent \$7000 for a walnut desk and \$6000 for exercise equipment.... More recently Montijo reaped bad publicity for billing the City of San Francisco and the City of San Diego for costs associated with an August 1985 trip to San Francisco, where he conducted minimal commission business and interviewed for a job.

—CITY LIGHTS: **"LET'S ALL GO,"** Paul Krueger, March 27, 1986

### Fifteen Years Ago

All in all, it's a good thing we're biodegradable, as food for worms, mulch for daisies. Imagine billions of corrupt corpses...countless preserved carcasses piling up in salt mines, gravel pits, arctic waste. We'd run out of real estate. Cemeteries would be forced to expand vertically, mausolea scraping the skies.

—**"THE INCORRUPTIBLE FLESH,"** Adam Parfrey, March 28, 1991

### Ten Years Ago

We chatted about Lady Ottoline, among whose romantic conquests was philosopher Bertrand Russell. I said that I'd had difficulty

imagining Lady Ottoline, garbed in her voluminous skirts and vast hats, with the tall, slender, and abstemious philosopher.

Mr. Bell laughed. "Bertie, he was amusing, delightful company. I think I can understand it, the romance, because Ottoline was conscious of Bertie's reputation as a philosopher, and I think he was dazzled by Ottoline."

I wondered if Mr. Bell recalled what his aunt, Virginia [Woolf] gave him for birthdays when he was a child.

"I can't remember her giving me presents. I expect she did. She was kind to me. She was good with children, to young people. When I heard, 'Virginia's coming to the house,' it was like being told that we were going to have a treat. We wrote absurd books together. I did the pictures and she did the text."

—READING: **"BLOOMSBURY RECALLED,"** Judith Moore, March 21, 1996

### Five Years Ago

If they think of him these days, most San Diegans remember Allen Glick as the Mafia puppet, disguised as "Mr. Green," in Martin Scorsese's movie version of *Casino*. Back in the mid-1970s, Glick, a San Diego real estate developer with an office down the street from Mr. A's restaurant, was set up by the Midwest



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mob as straw owner of the Stardust and Fremont hotels on the Las Vegas strip.

In the movie, a fictionalized version of Spilotro, played by Joe Pesci, is seen to murder a character resembling Tamara Rand, a San Diego real estate woman whose business dealings with Glick had soured and who had threatened to blow the whistle on him. Rand was gunned down in 1975 in the kitchen of her Mission Hills home, becoming one of San Diego's most famous victims of a Mafia hit, though the case was never solved.

—STRAIGHT FROM THE HIP, Matthew Alice, March 22, 2001

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## Dear Saffron,

At the company where I work we have reviews every six months. This means our supervisor writes up a report on how well we've been working, any issues that have come up, and meets with us about the review. We go over it together, and then the supervisor and employee both sign the review, unless there are "problems." No one wants to have "problems," which must be brought to the attention of the higher-ups and take up their time. I like my supervisor, but she has asked me over the past half year to do a lot of extra work. I did it all without complaining because I am trying to build good relationships here. I would like to stay at this company, be promoted, and get raises. This time there was a sentence in my biannual review saying something to the effect that I had worked hard and done extra projects (true) and that all the extra work I had done was work I'd volunteered

for. This second claim is completely untrue. The supervisor just told me to do stuff and I did it — she never hinted I had a choice or that I was supposed to "volunteer" for these extra duties. When I asked about this, she said, "I had to write that. The company has a policy that people can only be asked to do overtime on a volunteer basis. I don't want to get in trouble." So I am being asked to sign something that is a lie. I don't want to get my supervisor or myself in hot water, but I am not used to signing things that contain falsehoods. My supervisor says it's just a formality and that I should sign or it'll be a big pain for us both. Should I just sign and not make waves because it's not that big a deal or should I refuse because I'd be attesting to something that isn't strictly true, and there's a principle involved here?

TRUE BLUE DEL CERRO EMPLOYEE

## Dear True Blue,

I know this is an advice column, but I can't decide for you. Your conscience and common sense have to work together to find a solution with which you're comfortable. If you feel that you cannot sign off on the review because you feel that the extra work was not on a voluntary basis, then don't sign — and be prepared to deal with the consequences. This could include incurring the displeasure of your supervisor and other bosses whom you've been trying to impress. If you feel this is a

minor matter, and you can let it go, make sure your supervisor understands that in the future you want to be kept informed of company policy. If there's a way to get hold of company guidelines in written form, do so. Then you'll know what the rules are and won't be dependent on others to dole that information out to you.

## Dear Saffron,

I'm a certified financial planner, and I just read the letter from "Sad National City Granddaughter" about this young woman and her mother trying to decide what to do with the grandma's possessions now that Grandma's in a nursing home and is losing her faculties. If the "mom" in this situation is the only child of Grandma, then there's likely no problem. But if Grandma has other adult children, then if the mom and granddaughter sell the grandmother's stuff and subsequently Grandma dies, the other children will want to know where their share is. I think it's important to advise the mother in this case to obtain power of attorney so she can legally do things for the grandmother, as well as consider her feelings.

SAN DIEGO FINANCIAL ADVISOR

## Dear Saffron,

A quick bit of input on the letter you printed from "Shocked Honors English Teacher" who wrote that another teacher at her high school had upset a stu-

dent by making derisive comments about the student's dress and appearance. These remarks could have been interpreted to be criticizing that student's sexual orientation. Something else the English teacher might want to consider is the fact that the other teacher's comments could open up the school to a lawsuit. So the English teacher definitely needs to speak to someone in charge regarding the other teacher's inappropriate comments. If nothing else, the school district can cover their butt and let this teacher officially know that these comments are inappropriate.

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## FREE READER T-SHIRT TO BEST QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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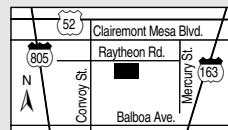
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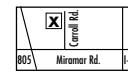
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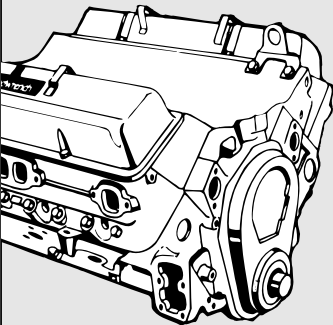
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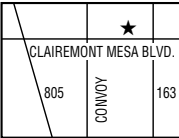
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In five minutes, I am back in class, watching a 3-D rendering demo play on the screen. I wonder if I should be feeling something, thinking a certain way. I'm no stranger to death but am unversed in the passing of someone as disliked as Henrietta was. I call her face to mind, the frog-lipped, sneering sourpuss, then cast it away.

In four days, I am on a plane, touching down in Philly International after a bumpy landing. I am dizzy and starved and nauseous. The cab, driven by a woman not ten years my senior, takes me to the hotel, where the concierge gives me the go-ahead.

Karen, face lit with freshened makeup, answers the door. It takes her 40 minutes to "do her face"; I've seen her do it, crouching in front of the closet mirror, sisters beside her. She is the oldest of my aunt's four girls, the only redhead, the only one with a female child. "Hi," she says, giving me a hug, a smile, "we're just getting ready."

Celia and Andrea wave from the bathroom, brushing past to embrace me. Their faces are bleached in the fluorescent light, collars perfect, pearls peeking out from the open necks of their shirts, every bit the glamorous older cousins I remember from my childhood. Andi applies eyeliner as CeeCee brushes her blonde hair back, giving herself the once over. They, as usual, look great.

"Everyone thought we were flight attendants," Karen tells me as she dons her long, woolen coat, adjusting the cuffs in front of the mirror. I laugh, because it makes sense; the coat is navy blue, broad-shouldered, and, unbuttoned, flies out behind her like a cape. Her hair, a neat, shoulder-length soft bob, is blow-dried into submission. Her features are attentive,

sharp, pretty under her seamless makeup. She looks ready.

So does CeeCee, appearing behind her. CeeCee is the tall one, taller still in heeled shoes, the second child. She is well postured and elegant, the tough-cookie mom of a skateboarder and karate black belt. There are times that I catch a glimpse of her face and she looks so much like my mother in her youth that I can't help but stare.

Andi brings up the rear, pulling on a hat and scarf, complaining about the cold and not being able to find her right glove. She's the third girl, a self-proclaimed "snot," inasmuch as she can't stand settling for anything less than she's used to. Later that night, we switch rooms twice, hauling our stuff up and down the hallway until the perfect room is found. The woman simply won't quit, and I admire her for that, her refusal to be left discontented. It's the mark of a strange kind of bravery, one I sorely lack. She finds the glove and we're off.

We end up at a diner, a real diner-diner, complete with fading-faced waitresses, extra charges for dry rye toast, and lack of skim milk. The girls order egg-white omelets all around; stomach still uneasy, I stick to a bagel. Elbow to elbow in a tiny booth, we look at each other.

"What's this going to be like?" I ask.

"Truthfully, I have no idea," Karen replies.

CeeCee shrugs in agreement.

"It's a funeral," she says. "It's like a movie," murmurs Andi, "all of us sitting here."

The food comes, plates on the arm of our manly waitress. We eat without much enthusiasm, as good as the food is. We're stalling a bit, I know, gathering ourselves before the big moment.



We are the granddaughters, as we are addressed in Nanny's DVD will-companion, one she made for reasons that I will never quite understand. She faces the camera after an hour-and-a-half tour of her house — complete with history and price of every item purchased and some suggestions as to whom which item should go to — telling us we are to host her friends and "dress very much the same" for her memorial service. We are to be on display.

"This is so fucked, guys," I say, watching as they turn to me, nodding, "This is just...so fucked."

Lunch is over and we

wait outside in the cold for Laney to pick us up. She's the youngest, the shortest, and the blondest. Serious but sporty, she's a social worker at a children's hospital, omnipresent pager clipped to her belt loop. As a joke, I call her the doctor.

We chitchat during the ride, speculating, gossiping, but fall silent as we round the corner to the synagogue.

There it is, the hearse, a strange beige color. It's like something out of the '50s, a prop, a discarded set piece in the nearly empty parking lot.

"Oh god," CeeCee says, horrified, "is she in there?"

"She was," I reply.

We stare at it warily, standing together a moment. I sneak a look at my cousins, wind blowing their hair, eyes behind dark shades, shoulders straight and even. *They're not flight attendants, I think to myself, they're something else. A tribe of some sort.* I watch as they stand, unflinching, in the cold sun. *Warriors*, I decide. *They are warriors.* And, for a time, I suppose I am one too.

CeeCee sighs, her breath a plume in the cold air.

"Let's go," she says, turning away from us. "Let's do this."

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## COMMERCIAL ROBBERY

**Location:** 9871 Aero Drive, Serra Mesa  
**Time/Date:** 4:50 a.m. on 3/14/06

**Incident:** A black male, age 19–25, 200 pounds, wearing a dark hooded sweatshirt, dark jeans and dark bandana over his



mouth, threw a brick through the glass door of the McDonald's. He then entered

the business carrying a shotgun and demanded the employees open the safe. The suspect took an undetermined amount of cash. No suspect vehicle was seen.

## ARMED COMMERCIAL ROBBERY

**Location:** 701 East San Ysidro Boulevard, U.S./Mexican Border  
**Time/Date:** 7:32 p.m. on 3/14/06

**Incident:** One suspect, armed with a handgun, forced his way into the Thomas Currie & Associates Money Exchange at closing time and demanded money. The suspect fled on foot with an undetermined amount of U.S. and Mexican currency. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 30s, 5'3", glasses, heavy build, wearing a red baseball hat, red jacket, red backpack and blue jeans.

## HOMICIDE

**Location:** 301 West G Street, Marina  
**Time/Date:** 5:32 a.m. on 3/13/06

**Investigation:** A male called SDPD Communications from 301 G Street to report someone breaking into his apartment. The caller refused to provide additional information and hung up on the dispatcher. Communications tried several callbacks to the reporting party, but the caller hung up on the second try, and the line was busy on the third try.

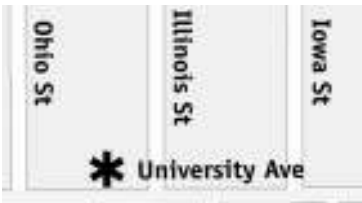
At 5:59 a.m., a citizen called to report a male down

on State Street between G Street and Market. The male had suffered visible trauma to his body, and paramedics pronounced him dead at the scene, 6:12 a.m.

The deceased male was found on the sidewalk directly beneath the fourth-floor condominium from which the 5:32 a.m. call was made to Communications. Investigators found a cordless phone near the body that also matched the number used to make the original call to police. Officers entered the condominium via an adjacent balcony and found no signs of a struggle. The front door was locked, and there were no signs of forced entry to the unit.

## ROBBERY

**Location:** 3066 University Avenue, North Park  
**Time/Date:** 7:03 p.m. on 3/10/06



**Incident:** Three black males, armed with handguns, entered the [Green Room Holistic Center], held the employees at gunpoint, robbed them of a large amount of marijuana, and fled the scene in a gray primer 1987 GMC SUV after firing several shots in the alley. One suspect was described as being light-skinned, wearing a blue-hooded sweatshirt; one was wearing a white-hooded sweatshirt and was armed with a black revolver.

## VERBATIM POLICE REPORTS

## ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING

**Location:** 3250 Palm Avenue, Otay Mesa West  
**Time/Date:** 5:31 p.m. on 3/09/06



**Incident:** An eight-year-old Hispanic male was riding his scooter in Montgomery Waller Park when he stopped by the bathroom. He was approached by a Hispanic male, 35, 5'8", thin build, short gray hair, glasses, blue jacket and pants, who grabbed the boy by the sleeve and said, "I'm going to drive you home." The boy hit the male with his scooter and ran away. The suspect also fled on foot.

## ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING

**Location:** Corner of Ridge Road and Lake Boulevard, Oceanside  
**Time/Date:** 3:35 p.m. on 3/03/06

**Report:** A fourteen-year-old girl was walking home from school when she was attacked by a motorist who stopped along the side of the street. As the victim crossed the street in front of the stopped vehicle, the driver exited...and attempted to drag the victim into his car. The victim fought back and broke free. She then ran to a nearby residence and contacted the police. The attacked is described as a white male adult, mid-20s, with a slim build and a pockmarked face.

## ASSAULT WITH BOTTLE

**Location:** 3944 West Point Loma Boulevard, Point Loma Heights  
**Time/Date:** 7:15 p.m. on 3/02/06

**Report:** A white female transient, 45, got into an altercation with her boyfriend, J.H., a white male, 52, who is also a transient. A physical fight started and the male picked up a half-gallon glass bottle of vodka and hit the victim on the head. She suffered serious head trauma and was transported to the hospital for treatment. J.H. was arrested at the scene.

## STABBING

**Location:** [2900] Evergreen Street, Loma Portal  
**Time/Date:** 5:37 p.m. on 3/02/06



**Report:** The victim, a white male, 57, was at his home when his intoxicated neighbor, Harold H., 55, knocked on his door. The victim opened the door and H. accused him of letting the air out of the tires of his Ford van. H. then pulled out a small utility knife and slashed at the victim, causing an eight-inch cut to his abdomen and a three-inch cut to his chest. H. fled in the van but later returned and was taken into custody. He was booked into County Jail for multiple charges.

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And I was sure to be a cult classic...

By John Brizzolara

David Sipnick is a bookseller, mostly online in recent years, but with some of his small press stuff from the 1990s, Oberon Books Editions, children's (boys, really) adventure stories on consignment at specialty stores around western states, as I understand. I've used Dave to track down some hard to find though not terribly collectible old Fitzroy paperback editions from Ace Books in the 1960s and some stuff his company once reprinted and bound from magazines like *Boy's Life* and *Argosy*. He used to import British editions into San Jose, California, and supplied a lot of special orders for independent stores until about ten years ago when the cost became prohibitive.

He's my age, mid-50s, and lives (or lived, I just learned) with his mother in a hotel in Chicago's near north side. He has been writing novels all his life and never published any of them, though they were not bad at all. He is one of the most literate people I know and never has had any real literary ambition to speak of in the years I've known him. That would be about 42 years. He has written under a dozen or more names, some of it for publishing trade magazines, some of it for soft-core porn houses here in San Diego in the early 1970s. You may have passed him several times on the street in the downtown area in those days. He always seems in need of a bath or shower. He has a ponytail now, mostly gray, and still packs an armload of library books and legal or "foolscaps pads" as if he's a barrister having been trying the Bleak House case for decades.

I ran into him on a recent Friday evening at a coffee shop on Market Street. I was surprised by how glad I

was to see him. I hadn't thought about David much over the years, but my associations had always been on the fun side. He himself was not what you would think of as warm; his manner was irritable and dismissive, but one soon found it was an act. He didn't squander affection, did not suffer fools; one man he suspected of being a bigot, so he doused the nattily dressed salesman with a squirt gun full of brown watercolor paint.

After establishing how we knew each other, bemoaning the years, I sat down. "How's your Friday night shaping up?" I asked him.

"My last in town." He still speaks like a man forever enumerating unpleasant facts. When he ran his bookshop on Clark Street in Chicago, my friends from Loyola called him the Good Humor Man. David had been in San Diego for the week to bury his mother. I never knew she was from here — no reason why it might have come up, I suppose. I expressed my condolences. "She was 91," he said, as if informing me that she had been flayed alive by Cossacks.

"You two were close. I remember her from Diogenes [the store]...and her cat."

"The damned cat." He shrugged, made a blowing noise through his lips.

It quickly came back to me how pointless small talk always proved abbreviated with David, a reason I liked him, I now remembered. "Still writing?"

"What else?"

I gestured at his legal sheets covered with Pentel Rolling Writer script. "Looks like a book or novel rather than magazine stuff, and I notice you're one of the last-ditch holdouts against computers. That figures."

He shrugged again. "No soul."

He didn't talk about his mother. In fact the only subject he insisted on veering the conversation toward was his health. He has a number of vague malaises; doctors are fools and know nothing...he could go at any time. Now he would be forced to live with his sister in a Pakistani neighborhood on the west side. His hotel was giving him 30 days to move out tens of thousands of books. It occurred to me that David reminded me of myself, always had, really: past middle age, hypochondriac, getting more antisocial with the years rather than less. The major difference was his lifelong closeness with his mother. My relationship with my own mother was different. But I suppose I always related to a kind of inner David S. in my own character, a sense that I too might end up a garulous old hippie shouting at little Pakistani kids from my front porch on Damon (or Devon?) Avenue in Rogers Park, "Get off my property!" all the while waving legal sheets densely lined with stark black, wide-tipped ink pen: a historical novel, probably a bitter memoir of the '60s. My bibliography would consist of short stories in magazines like *Fate* or *Barely Legal* or *Romance Times* and a clutch of novels from Greenleaf Press — or was it Honeybee Books? — with titles like "Trucker's Chicken" or "Wet Housewives."

In those days — Chicago in 1968 and 1969 up around the Loyola University neighborhood, next to Evanston, Illinois — David seemed the hip heir to the realm of Bennett Cerf (now I wonder how many reading this know who

Bennett Cerf might have been). And I was sure to be a cult favorite as a white blues man, like John Hammond, Jr., say, but gradually building my literary reputation as a cross between Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., and William S. Burroughs. In other words, David Sipnick was one of us, one of those for whom greatness was destined.

Thirty-six years later, here in that coffee shop/tobacconist where both Sipnick and I could smoke pipes (a passing sight these days unless you mean hookahs), I made the mistake, in an awkward moment, to peek at my old friend's manuscript. "You mind?"

"No."

After a page and a half I couldn't breathe. I was experiencing an anxiety attack that I did not understand. I could try to reproduce Sipnick's prose here, and I could probably do a fairly representative job of rendering the gist of it, but the attempt, I think, would be cheap. It would be terribly easy to parody. "Fish in a barrel!" That was the line Jose Ferrer used in describing the difficulty as far as depicting Bogart/Captain Queeg in *The Caine Mutiny* as insane. Dave Sipnick was scribbling reams of dissassociative drivel. He had eliminated punctuation and was clearly obsessed with what he described as "The Ultimate Transcendence via the bowels and Crown Chakra." He put it several ways, none of them any clearer.

I am not proud to say that I made my exit as hastily as I could. My old imagined comrade in the Acid Wars had taken a 40-year bullet. He was mad, a casualty. He still reminded me too much of myself, my fears and my lack of grace in dealing with mental illness. I don't remember what I muttered to him as I gathered my things and left. I don't want to remember.



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